Why Get AWS Certified?

AWS Certifications recognize IT professionals with the skills and knowledge to design, deploy, and operate applications and infrastructure on AWS. Earning an AWS Certification helps you validate your technical expertise, stand out by distinguishing your cloud skills, enhance your confidence and credibility, and contribute to your organization’s ability to create AWS solutions. Learn more at aws.amazon.com/certification

Available AWS Certifications

- AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate
- AWS Certified Developer - Associate
- AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Professional
- AWS Certified DevOps Engineer - Professional
- AWS Certified SysOps Administrator - Associate

Preparing for Your Exam

Hands-on skill and on-the-job experience are the best preparation for an AWS Certification exam. We also highly recommend these study resources and tips.

#1 Review the Exam Guide

AWS Certification Exam Guides outline AWS and general IT concepts covered on an exam. It helps provide a blueprint of what you need to study and points you to resources that help you prepare. aws.amazon.com/certification/certification-prep

STUDY TIP

Don’t Skip the Sample Questions

Exam sample questions help you check your knowledge and pinpoint concepts and areas requiring more study.
#2 Take an AWS Training Class

We offer a variety of education options to help you become proficient on AWS—from free instructional videos to multi-day instructor-led classes. Classes provide the deepest technical training and the opportunity to learn directly from AWS experts and your peers. While AWS Certification exams don’t have class prerequisites, the following classes and AWS Certification Exam Readiness Workshops can help you prepare. [aws.training](http://aws.training)

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| AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Professional            | • Advanced Architecting on AWS  
|                                                            | • AWS Certification Exam Readiness Workshop                                              |
| AWS Certified Developer - Associate                         | • Developing on AWS                                                                     |
| AWS Certified SysOps Administrator - Associate              | • System Operations on AWS  
|                                                            | • AWS Certification Exam Readiness Workshop                                              |
| AWS Certified DevOps Engineer - Professional                | • DevOps Engineering on AWS  
|                                                            | • AWS Certification Exam Readiness Workshop                                              |

#3 Practice with Self-Paced Labs

Self-paced online labs are a convenient way to practice AWS services and solutions in a live environment. Delivered through our training partner qwikLABS, each lab walks you through a pre-designed scenario, providing step-by-step instructions to help you get hands-on experience with AWS and the AWS Console. You don’t need an AWS account to take a self-paced lab. [qwiklabs.com](http://qwiklabs.com)

**STUDY TIP**

Try These Recommended Labs

- **Solutions Architect-Associate**
  - Exam Prep Quest

- **Solutions Architect-Professional**
  - Exam Prep Quest

- **Developer-Associate**
  - Introduction to AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)
  - Bundling Amazon EBS-Backed AMIs
  - Working with Elastic Load Balancing
  - Launching Amazon EC2 Spot Instances with Auto Scaling and Amazon CloudWatch

- **SysOps Administrator-Associate**
  - Working with Elastic Load Balancing
  - Using Windows Server Storage Spaces with Amazon EBS
  - Microsoft AD FS and AWS IAM
  - Using AWS Systems Manager for Microsoft System Center Virtual Machine Manager

- **DevOps Engineer-Professional**
  - Launching and Managing a Web Application with AWS CloudFormation
  - Caching Static Files with Amazon CloudFront
  - Deploying a Java EE Application on AWS Elastic Beanstalk Using Docker Containers
  - Working with AWS Opsworks
#4 Study AWS Whitepapers
AWS whitepapers written by the AWS team, independent analysts, and AWS partners can help broaden your technical understanding on topics including AWS architecture, security and economics. [aws.amazon.com/whitepapers](http://aws.amazon.com/whitepapers)

#5 Review AWS FAQs
If you’re new to an AWS service, it’s a good idea to browse through our list of FAQs to familiarize yourself with commonly raised questions and issues. [aws.amazon.com/faqs](http://aws.amazon.com/faqs)

## STUDY TIP
**Review These Recommended Whitepapers**

**Associate Exam Preparation**
- Architecting for the AWS Cloud: Best Practices
- AWS Security Best Practices
- Amazon Web Services: Overview of Security Processes
- Storage Options in the AWS Cloud
- Cloud Architectures
- Development and Test on AWS
- Backup and Recovery Approaches Using AWS
- Amazon Virtual Private Cloud Connectivity Options
- How AWS Pricing Works

**Professional Exam Preparation**
- Securing Data at Rest with Encryption
- Web Application Hosting in the AWS Cloud
- Migrating AWS Resources to a New Region

## STUDY TIP
**Lookup These FAQs**

**Associate Exam Preparation**
- Amazon EC2
- Amazon S3
- Amazon VPC
- Amazon Route 53
- Amazon RDS
- Amazon SQS

**Professional Exam Preparation**
- Auto Scaling
- Elastic Load Balancing
- AWS Elastic Beanstalk
#6 Take a Practice Exam

Practice exams include sample exam questions and can be taken online at any time. Webassessor login required.

#7 Schedule Your Certification Exam

Ready to take your exam? Exams are delivered by Kryterion in over 750 locations around the globe. Schedule your exam today!

More Information

Review the AWS Certification FAQs: [aws.amazon.com/certification/faqs](http://aws.amazon.com/certification/faqs)

For any additional questions, contact us: [aws.amazon.com/contact-us/aws-training](http://aws.amazon.com/contact-us/aws-training)

Setting up Your Test Taker Account

Exams and practice exams are delivered through our testing partner Kryterion. To create your account:

- Go To: [https://webassessor.com/aws](https://webassessor.com/aws)
- Under Getting Started, click Create a Webassessor account
- Log in and click Register for an Exam
- Find an exam then click Buy Now
- Choose a convenient testing center and exam time

APN Partners: To receive credit on your APN Partner Scorecard, create an APN Portal account and register for an exam with your unique firm’s domain.