



Frequently Asked Questions

How much does the exam cost?

The exam costs \$300 USD.

How long will the exam take?

Candidate's have a maximum of 3 hours to complete the exam.

How is the exam proctored?

The certification exam is proctored remotely during the exam session via streaming audio, video, and screensharing feeds, or in-person at special Cloud Foundry events offering in-person examinations .

The screensharing feed allows proctors to view candidates' desktops (including all monitors). The audio, video, and screen sharing feeds will be stored for a limited period of time in the event that there is a subsequent need for review.

What are the system requirements to take the exam?

Candidates must provide their own front-end hardware to take exams, including a computer with:

- Chrome or Chromium browser
- reliable internet access
- webcam
- microphone

The workstation on which the hardware (i.e. desktop or laptop) is placed must, aside from the required hardware, reveal a clean surface with no obstructions overhead or underneath. Candidates should ensure that their webcam is capable of being moved in case the proctor requests that the Candidate pan their surroundings to check for potential violations of exam policy.

Candidates should run the [compatibility check tool](#) provided by the Exam Proctoring Partner to verify that their hardware meets the minimum requirements.. Select "Linux Foundation" as the Exam Sponsor and "CFCD" as the Exam. (At this time, only Chrome and Chromium browsers are supported.)

What resources am I allowed to access during my exam?

Candidates may use their Chrome or Chromium browser to open one additional tab in order to:
(a) access the following assets for reference during the exam:

- docs.cloudfoundry.org
- apidocs.cloudfoundry.org
- v3-apidocs.cloudfoundry.org
- plugins.cloudfoundry.org

(b) access applications in the following domains deployed during the exam as part of completing performance based items:

- [*_scapp.io](https://*.scapp.io)
- [*_applicationcloud.io](https://*.applicationcloud.io)

No other tabs may be opened and no other sites may be navigated to.

The allowed site above may contain links that point to external sites. It is the responsibility of the candidate not to click on any links that cause them to navigate to a domain that is not allowed

May I take notes during the exam?

Yes, you can take notes using the Notepad feature accessible in the top menu bar of the exam console, or use a text file in the command line terminal. Please be aware that notes entered here will not be retained or accessible after the exam has ended. Ask your proctor if you need help operating the Notepad.

What are the ID requirements to take the exam?

Candidates are required to provide a non-expired Primary ID that contains Candidate's photograph, signature and full name (see acceptable forms of ID in the table below).

If the Candidate's full name on their Primary ID contains non-latin characters, then the Candidate must ALSO provide a non-expired Secondary ID containing their full name in Latin Characters and signature, OR a notarized English translation of their Primary ID along with the non-latin character Primary ID.

Primary ID (non-expired and including photograph and signature)	Secondary ID (non-expired and including signature with Candidate name in Latin characters)
Passport Government-issued driver's license/permit Government-Issued local language ID (plastic card with photo and signature) National Identity card State or province-issued identity card	Debit (ATM) Card Credit Card Health Insurance Card U.S. Social Security Card

Exams may be administered to citizens of a sanctioned country listed below PROVIDED the citizens are tested OUTSIDE the sanctioned country and their exam registration and current ID show an address OUTSIDE the sanctioned country.

- Cuba
- Iran
- Syria
- Sudan
- North Korea
- Crimea Region of Ukraine

If you have questions about whether your photo ID is acceptable please contact:

certification-support@cloudfoundry.org

What score is needed to pass the exam?

The passing score for the CFCD Exam is 80%

How is my exam scored?

Exams are scored automatically, usually within 24 hours of completion. Results will be emailed within 36 hours from the time that the Exam was *completed*. Results will also be made available on [My Portal](#).

Exams are graded for results. There may be more than one way to perform a task on an Exam and unless otherwise specified, the candidate can pick any available path to perform the task as long as it produces the correct result.

What language(s) is the exam offered in?

CFCD Exam tasks are available in English.

Am I able to retake the exam?

One (1) free retake per Exam purchase will be granted in the event that a passing score is not achieved and Candidate has not otherwise been deemed ineligible for Certification or retake. The free retake must be completed within 12 months of the date of the original Exam purchase. After the free retake, Candidates may register and pay to take the Exam again, with no discount given for such additional retakes.

How long is my certification valid for?

Certifications awarded *on or after* September 05, 2019 will expire 36 months from the date that the Program certification requirements are met by a candidate, all other CFCD Certifications will expire 24 months from the date that the Program certification requirements are met.

Certificants must meet renewal requirements prior to the expiration date of their current Certification in order to maintain active Certification. If Certification renewal requirements are not completed before the expiration date, Certification will be revoked.