DOD Contractor Personnel Office
(DOCPER)
ACCEPTED MAJOR CERTIFICATIONS

For Germany Article 73 and Italy Technical Representative/Civilian Personnel
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In determining a contractors' qualifications for NATO SOFA status, a Major Certification is viewed as equivalent to an Associate's Degree.

As of 2023, DOCPER recognizes the below list as Major Certifications:

CASP+	CompTIA Advanced Security Practitioner +
CCIE	Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert
CCISO	Certified Chief Information Security Officer
CCSP	Certified Cloud Security Professional
CFR	CyberSec First Responder
CISM	Certified Information Security Manager
CISSP	Certified Information Systems Security Professional
CISSP-ISSAP	Information Systems Security Architecture Professional
CISSP-ISSEP	Information Systems Security Engineering Professional
CISSP-ISSMP	Information Systems Security Professional - Management
CySA+	Cybersecurity Analyst +
CNP	Certified Network Professional
GCED	GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender
GCFA	GIAC Certified Forensics Analyst
GCIH	GIAC Incident Handler
JNCIE-SEC	Juniper Networks Certified Expert, Security
Google Cloud	Professional Cloud Network Engineer
MS 365 Certified	Messaging Administrator Associate
MS 365 Certified	Enterprise Administrator Expert
MS 365 Certified	Modern Desktop Administrator Associate
Microsoft Certified	Azure Developer Associate
Microsoft Certified	Azure Solutions Architect Expert
RCHA	Red Hat Certified Architect

RHCSA	Red Hat Certified System Administrator
VMware CP	VMware Certified Professional - Data Center Virtualization

1) Criterion for recognition as a Major Certification:
- Widely Recognized
- Independently Administered
- Difficult to Obtain

2) DOCPER <u>will</u> consider certifications that are not identified above:
- o by utilizing the Department of Labor (DOL) sponsored site "Career One Stop" to ascertain if the certification meets the 3 criteria listed above:

- o Search the certification at: https://www.careeronestop.org/credentials/toolkit/find-certifications.aspx?newsearch=true

- o Certification that qualifies should display "More than two years of education or training after high school required? **"Yes"**

- o If the certification description is: widely recognized; independently administered; and difficult to obtain; then it can be reviewed for consideration as a Major Certification by DOCPER

- o Contracting Officer Representatives (CORs) may submit Major Certification consideration requests, to DOCPER, on a case-by-case basis

- o Contractor Applicants may be required to provide proof of certification

3) Baseline certifications required for the IA Workforce:
- are documented in the Extension of Appendix 3 to DoD 8570.01- Manual https://public.cyber.mil/wid/cwmp/dod-approved-8570-baseline-certifications/
- Level III certs held by CSSP personnel are considered, by DOCPER, as equivalent to an AA degree