



Solution Architect Learner Exam Info Pack



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AWS Exam Summary

AWS Certification Exams : Critical Information



The ALX - AWS program curriculum prepares you for Foundational and Associate level certification exams.

These AWS certification exams are **NOT issued by ALX**.

The exams are **created by AWS experts** and administered by an organization called **Pearson Vue**.

You have the option to take the certification exams:

- Online** at a place of your choosing
- Onsite** at a Pearson Vue test center in your city

Do your best to prepare adequately for the exam so you can pass on your first attempt.

If you fail the exam, AWS stipulates that **you must wait 14 days** before you are eligible to retake the exam. AWS has no limit on exam attempts., you can retake as many times as you need to. However, after your second attempt, you will need to pay the full exam registration fee for each exam attempt.



2nd Exam

The **AWS Solutions Architect** certification exam is an Associate level exam



Quick Facts

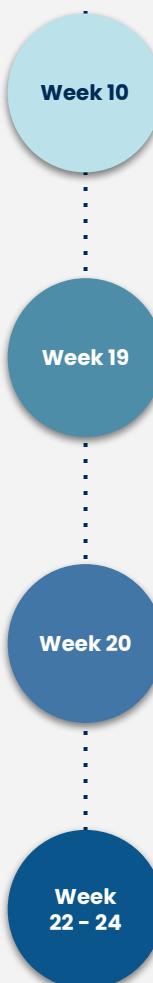
Category	AWS Solutions Architect Associate (SAA-C03).
Exam duration	130 minutes (2 hrs 10 minutes)
Exam format	Multiple choice and multiple response questions.
Cost	150 USD (covered by ALX)
Delivery Method	In person at a Pearson VUE testing center or online proctored exam.
Languages offered	English, Japanese, Korean, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Bahasa (Indonesian), Spanish (Spain), Spanish (Latin America), French (France), German, Italian, and Portuguese (Brazil)



Solution - Architect Program Timeline

Solutions Architect Timeline

Note:
The Solutions Architect Exam must be completed within the designated weeks in order to eligible for an ALX certificate of completion.



- Learning week**
 - Complete the 2 modules (modules 13 & 14)of the SA content.
 - Finalize previous modules that have been pending
 - Attend all expert sessions, it is crucial.
- Final Learning Week**
 - Last module is unlocked – Complete module 15 and any other pending Module
 - Meet all the voucher requirements – finish all 36 assignments with a score of 80%
 - Practise for the exam
 - The Exam voucher form shall be open, request for your exam voucher 30th October.
- Catch up week**
 - This is the week to catch up if you have any pending deliverables.
 - The Voucher request form is open, request your exam voucher
 - Voucher distribution is going on for those who have done all the deliverables.
 - Claim your voucher once you have done the deliverables. Book your exam early enough
- Exam Week**
 - Claim your voucher, book the exam early enough.
 - Practice as many questions as you can
 - Attend the expert sessions for the exam practice questions.

ALX Vouchers

Exam Process

- ALX will cover the AWS certification exam fees by issuing you with an exam voucher.
- Each learner will receive **1 exam voucher for the Solutions Architect exam.**
- The exam vouchers request for the Solutions Architect exam will be **distributed starting in Week 19.**
- You will need to submit a **Voucher Request** to request a voucher. This is the **only way** to receive an exam voucher – **ALX will NOT mass distribute vouchers.**
- Once you submit the voucher request form, you will receive an email **from Pearson Vue with your AWS Exam Voucher** once voucher distribution begins.
- The exam **must be completed within the designated exam weeks** for you to be eligible for a completion Certificate.

Voucher Request Form



Voucher Request Deadline

The deadline to submit your voucher request is 6 October.



[[Click here to request now](#)]

Exam Voucher Disclaimer

- ❑ The voucher is **not reusable** after the first use, i.e **you can't use the same voucher twice.**
- ❑ If you find yourself unprepared after scheduling your exam, keep in mind that you have the option to reschedule. Ensure that **any rescheduling occurs at least 24 hours** before the initial start time to avoid forfeiting your voucher.
- ❑ If you encounter any issue related to your exam (the booking, the voucher, the test center, etc), you must **reach out to Pearson Vue Online support** immediately, **NOT ALX.**

Chat with us

 Pearson OnVUE Support!

FAQs 

 Are you checking in?

 Are you in your exam?

 Did you finish your exam?

Powered by  Freshchat

Voucher Requirements

To receive an exam voucher for the Solutions Architect exam , you will be required to:

- Complete all the **Solutions Architect modules and assignments (36 in total)****
- Complete all Solutions Architect knowledge checks with a **minimum score of 70% on each knowledge check****
Successfully finish all graded and guided labs. The minimum score should be 80% and above on each lab
- Fill out and submit the Voucher Request form to confirm you are ready for the exam by 15th Oct.**
- Have a valid, original ID (Passport, driving license, national ID) to schedule your exam.**
- Commit to reporting your exam results by **sharing your AWS Certificate and pass score on the Exam Self-reporting form.****

Exam FAQs:

Frequently Asked Questions...

Q. Can I reschedule my exam if necessary?

- A. Yes, you can reschedule the exam, but it must be done at least 24 hours in advance. If you attempt to reschedule within 24 hours of the exam, you will forfeit your exam voucher and need to pay for the rescheduled exam.

Q. How do I claim my AWS exam voucher?

- A. To claim your exam voucher, you need to complete all modules, labs, and knowledge checks with the required scores and submit the voucher request form.

Q. What type of identification will I need?

- A. A government issued identification -make sure you check out the view ID requirements tab on the Pearson Vue site.

Q. How long do I have to wait to access my AWS voucher after passing the exam?

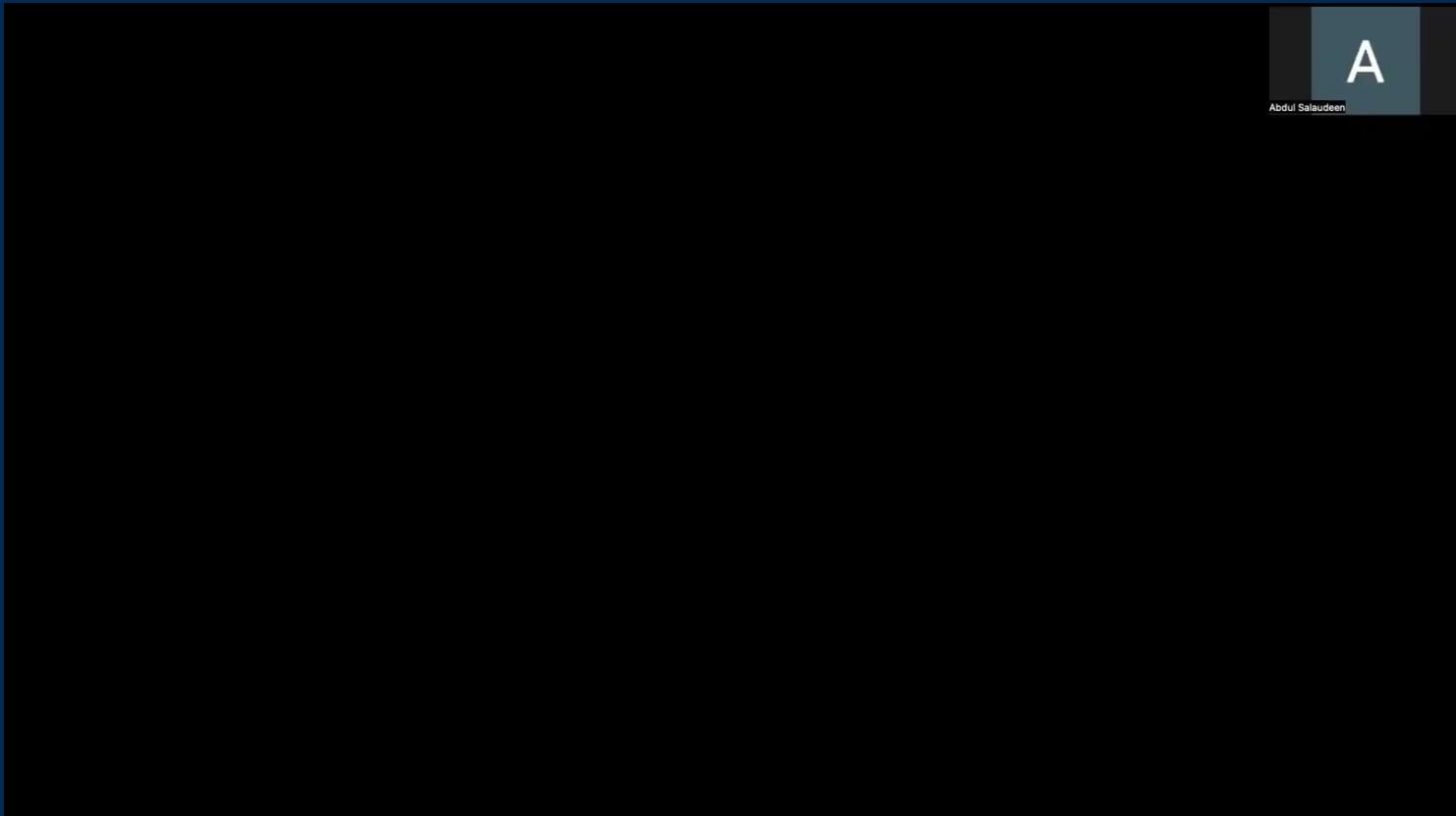
- A. Once your voucher request is processed, it may take a few days to receive it. Access to the exam voucher is granted on a rolling basis.

Exam Guide:

**How to Schedule
your AWS Exam**

How to Schedule your AWS Exam

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Sign into your AWS Certificate account

- Schedule and manage exams
- View your certification history
- Access your digital badges
- View your certification benefits

Sign In to your AWS
Training and Certification
account to explore AWS
Certifications.

SIGN IN

Sing into the AWS Builder ID

Choose a sign in method

AWS Builder ID Recommended for individuals

Use your AWS Builder ID or create one.



Note: If you previously used **Login with Amazon**, use this. You'll be prompted to link your AWS Builder ID to your existing profile if they share the same email.

[Learn more](#)

[Create or Sign in](#)



Click on 'Schedule and exam' to register for a Solutions Architect exam

The screenshot shows the AWS Certification Account dashboard. At the top, there are logos for Alpine Testing Solutions and AWS. On the left, a navigation menu is displayed with sections: HOME (Dashboard), PROFILE, EXAM REGISTRATION (Schedule an exam, Exam accommodations), EXAM HISTORY, CERTIFICATIONS (Certification status, Agreement), BENEFITS, DIGITAL BADGES, and SUPPORT AND FAQS. A red arrow points from the text in the callout box to the 'Schedule an exam' link in the EXAM REGISTRATION section. The main content area on the right is titled 'Welcome to your AWS Certification Account'. It includes a message about Pearson VUE's website being unavailable for maintenance, a link to the 'Schedule an exam' page, and a section titled 'Review these tips before scheduling your exam:' with a bulleted list. Below that is a link to 'Manage my Pearson VUE account' with another bulleted list. At the bottom, there is an 'Announcements' section.

Pearson VUE's website will be unavailable while undergoing system maintenance from Central Time. During this time, you will not be able to schedule, reschedule, or cancel t

Welcome to your AWS Certification Account

Launch, reschedule, or cancel your exam by navigating to the [Schedule an exam](#) page.

Review these tips before scheduling your exam:

- [Learn what to expect before, during, and after your exam](#).
- [Review ID policy and requirements](#)
- [Review options for taking exams](#)
- [Request accommodations](#) (additional testing time for non-native English speakers)
- If you are already AWS Certified, [review your available benefits including discounts](#)

[Manage my Pearson VUE account](#)

- Launch online exams
- Download receipts for your exam
- Use the [Pearson VUE](#) search feature to find answers to common questions about

Announcements

A list of AWS exams will be listed, go ahead and click on' AWS Solutions Architect – Associate'

SORT BY	Authorization Status	Group	Name	Code	Last date to test	25
Associate	CLICK AUTHORIZE TO SCHEDULE	Associate	AUTHORIZED	AWS Certified Developer - Associate	DVA-C02	AUTHORIZED
AWS Certified Data Engineer - Associate	DEA-C01	AUTHORIZE >	SCHEDULE >	AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate	SAA-C03	SCHEDULE >
Associate	CLICK AUTHORIZE TO SCHEDULE	Foundational	AUTHORIZED	CLICK AUTHORIZE TO SCHEDULE		AUTHORIZE

Select the place

Select exam options

SAA-C03: AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate

How do you want to take your exam?



In person at a test center

OnVUE Online with OnVUE

I have a Private Access Code

Select how you want to take your exam

How do you want to take your exam?



In person at a test center



Online with OnVUE

I have a Private Access Code

Prepare to take your exam with OnVUE



Your computer

Use a personal computer that has a reliable webcam and internet connection.

Run [system test](#).



Your testing space

The room should be a distraction-free, private place.

See [acceptable spaces](#) and view permitted [comfort aid list](#).



Your photo ID

We'll verify your government-issued identification (ID) when you arrive for your exam.

Review [admission & ID policies](#)



What to expect

Check in for your OnVUE exam 30 minutes before your appointment time.

Watch our [short video](#) to get familiar with the process.

Questions?

Check out the [OnVUE FAQs](#) and [minimum technical requirements](#).



Select your preferred language

What is your preferred language for the exam?

- Chinese Simplified
- Chinese Traditional
- English
- French
- German
- Indonesian
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Portuguese-Brazilian
- Spanish-Castilian
- Spanish-Modern

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Read through ALL exam policies and tick the checkboxes for each section once you are done reading through.

Online exam policies

By checking the boxes below, you agree to each term as described. To take this exam in an online environment, please agree to the following terms and conditions.

By accessing this website you understand and agree to the terms set forth in this Candidate Agreement ("Agreement"). This Agreement is entered into by and between you as a test taker, Pearson VUE, a business of NCS Pearson, Inc., and your testing program owner ("Test Sponsor"). This Agreement represents your understanding and acceptance of Pearson VUE's [Privacy and Cookies Policy](#) ("Privacy Policy"), [Terms and Conditions](#), and use of cookies to support your testing experience. You also understand, acknowledge and agree that the testing program sponsor has its own, possibly different, privacy policy.

You must abide by all of the rules, policies, and procedures above as well as the following:

- You understand that all personal items must be stored out of reach during the entirety of the exam and cannot be possessed or accessed at any time during the exam.
- Personal items include, but are not limited to, electronic devices (including mobile phones), watches, cameras or other recording equipment, bags, briefcases, purses, books, and notes.
- You understand that you are not permitted to stand up from or leave your workstation for any reason for the duration of the exam, including for restroom or any other kind of break.
- You will not be permitted to use scratch paper or take notes during the exam.
- Mumbling or speaking out loud is not permitted unless you are communicating with the Greeter or Proctor.
- You must follow all instructions communicated to you by the remote proctor.
- You understand that food, beverage, and personal hygiene products may not be accessed during the exam since those items cannot be within reach and you are not permitted to stand up or leave the workstation for any reason.

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[Agree](#)

Once you are done reading through the exam policies, click on 'Agree'

Select the language you wish your proctor to communicate with you.

What is the language you prefer the proctor to speak?

- English
- Japanese
- Spanish-Latin America
- Mandarin

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Confirm your
timezone and select a
preferred time to sit
for your exam.

Find an appointment

SAA-C03: AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate

1. Confirm your preferred time zone

Is this your preferred time zone?

Africa/Lagos-WAT

No, change time zone Yes, that's right!

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Once you select your available preferred time, click on 'Book this appointment' to schedule your exam time.

Sa	Mo	Di	We	Th	Fr	Sa
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

[Why can't I find an available appointment?](#)

3. Select your appointment start time

How would you like times displayed?

12 hr (e.g., 2:00 PM)

24 hr (e.g., 14:00)

Recommended time:



Saturday, August 12, 2023

6:30 PM - 8:10 PM Africa/Nairobi-EAT

Your check-in time will be 6:00 PM Africa/Nairobi-EAT

[Explore more times](#)

[Book this appointment](#)

Click on 'Proceed to checkout'

Description	Details	Price	Actions
Exam SAA-C03: AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate Language: English Length: 140 minutes 	Appointment Saturday, November 30, 2024 Check-in time: 07:30 Africa/Lagos - WAT Start time: 08:00 Africa/Lagos - WAT Change Appointment	150 <small>.00</small>	

Add Another Exam

Total Due

Subtotal: 150.00

Estimated Tax: 0.00

ESTIMATED TOTAL DUE: USD 150.00

You can enter voucher/promotion codes on the billing screen.



Enter your voucher code and click on 'Apply'

Subtotal: 150.00

Estimated Tax: 0.00

ESTIMATED TOTAL DUE: USD 150.00

[Add Voucher or Promo Code](#)

[What is this?](#)



Voucher/Promotion Code:

AW502A1F6A9F

Apply



You're All Set !!

Online Vs Onsite Testing:

Onsite Testing: Key Information

Onsite testing (OP) is a great option if you do not have :

A desktop or a laptop computer with a webcam.

A stable internet connection.

An enclosed, private testing space.

To confirm if this is a good fit for you, you'll need to:

1. **Check if there is a viable Pearson Vue test center within your city**

You can visit your Pearson Vue test center to familiarize yourself with the route, the testing environment and what to expect.

2. **Get your IDs ready**

Make sure your personal identification meets the requirements.

Note:

The two most frequent causes of issues are:

1. Lack of Proper ID – arriving at the test center without the required identifications, carry atleast 2
2. Arriving late at the test center to take your exam

Online Testing: Key Information



Online Proctoring (OP) is a great option if you prefer the convenience of testing from the comfort of your home or work office.

To take your Certification exam online you'll need:

A desktop or a laptop computer with a webcam.

OnVUE does not support the use of tablets, mobile phones or touchscreens.

A stable internet connection. Use a wired internet connection rather than Wi-Fi, if possible.

Disconnect any VPNs if you have them; OnVUE does not work well with VPNs.

To confirm if this is a good fit for you, you'll need to:

1. Run a system test (or two).

Be sure to run it on the computer & internet connection you plan to use for your exam.

2. Identify your testing space.

It needs to be an **enclosed private space** with stable internet connection where you can **close all doors to avoid interruptions**.

3. Get your ID ready

Make sure your personal identification meets the requirements.

Note:

The two most frequent causes of technical issues are:

1. Testing on an employer-issued computer, and
2. Unreliable internet connections.

Exam Preparation Tips

Complete your required learning on Canvas within the designated time.

Practice, practice, practice!

Lab exercises will give you hands-on experience and supplement the Canvas content

Interact with the Technical Mentor in the Expert sessions and on the Portal for critical learning support

Explore the Exam resources on Canvas, AWS Skill Builder and Pearson Vue website

Do some practice exams to get familiar with the type of questions that will be asked

Show up for the exam on time and with all the confidence you can muster

Post Exam: What Comes Next?



1. SELF – REPORTING

Once you complete your exam and receive your results, you must submit them through the Exam Self-reporting form on Canvas or Email.

If you passed, you are required to submit your **AWS Solutions Architect Certificate and pass score.**

Keep in mind, AWS requires a 14-day waiting period before you are eligible to retake the exam if you do not pass.



2. VERIFICATION OF RESULT

Once we receive your self-reported results, the program team will take some time to verify these results. This process will take place in week 23, starting Monday

This means **the deadline for submitting the self-reporting form**



3. The Secondary Journey.

Learners who do not successfully pass the Solutions Architect exam on first attempt will be given a chance to retake the exam.

Once they have reported your score, we will add you to the secondary journey for 3 weeks starting on the 11th of November to 29th November.

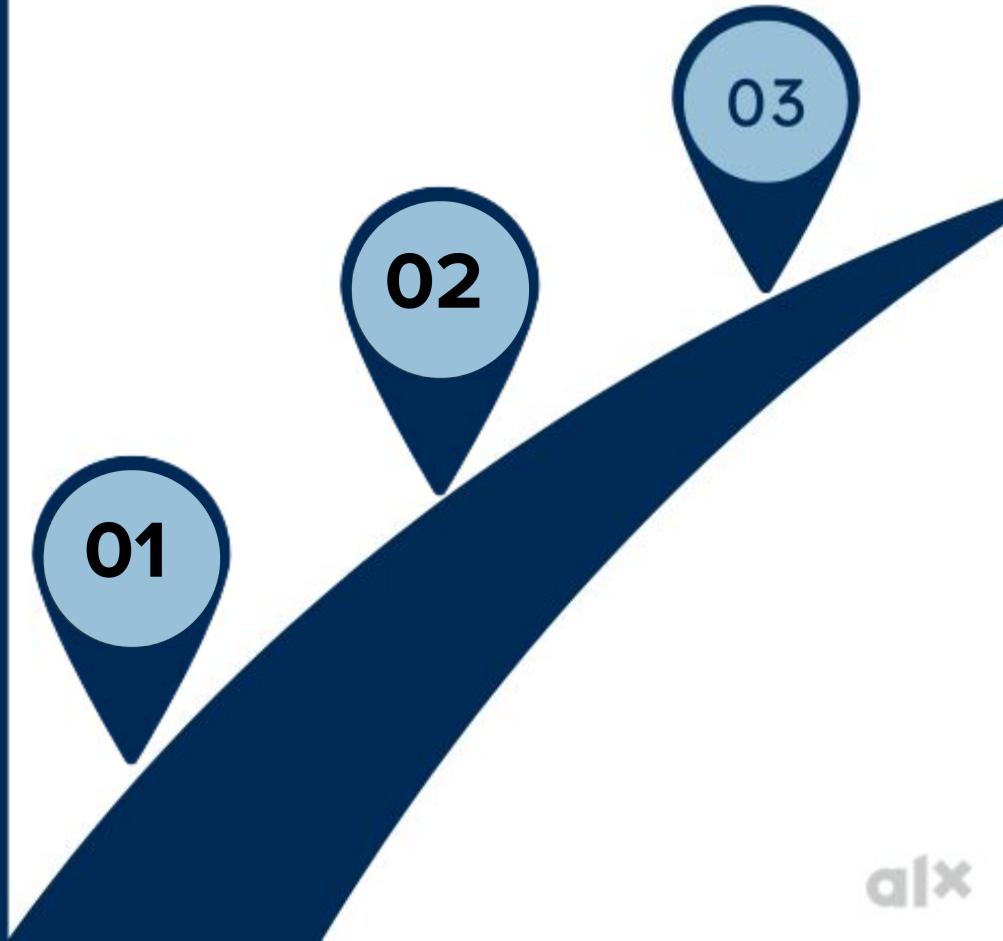
The Retake voucher request will be opened from the 27th of October and the Deadline to self-report will be on the 29th of November.



4. Celebrating Certification

Learners who successfully pass the Solutions Architect exam and submit their certificate will be celebrated for their achievement. Upon verification, they will be recognized within the community, and **their AWS Solutions Architect Certificate will be acknowledged.** ?(Applies to learners who pass on first try and SJ learners too)

Please note that access to certain next-level resources or community spaces may take a few days to update in the system. However, rest assured that once you've submitted the self-reporting form and your AWS certification is confirmed, you'll receive recognition and access promptly.



Additional Resources



[Pearson Vue Online Support](#)

[Pearson Vue Online Testing Requirements](#)

[Pearson Vue Test Centers](#)

[AWS Documentation](#)

[AWS FAQs](#)

[AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner CLF-C02 Sample Exam Questions](#)

[AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner](#)

[AWS CCP Practice Questions \(Basic Cloud Concepts\)](#)

[AWS CCP Practice Questions \(Billing and Pricing\)](#)

[AWS CCP Practice Questions \(Security and Compliance\)](#)



Exam Prep Sessions



Tuesday & Thursday

Expert Sessions:

Join us for expert sessions in the remaining weeks as the Technical Mentor will be taking you through the last few Solution Architect modules as well as exam practice questions.



All the best
on your exam!!