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Professional Qualifications for

ITIL® PRACTICES FOR SERVICE MANAGEMENT

The ITIL Foundation Certificate in IT Service Management SYLLABUS



THE ITIL FOUNDATION CERTIFICATE IN IT SERVICE MANAGEMENT

The purpose of the ITIL Foundation certificate in IT Service Management is to certify that the candidate has gained knowledge of the ITIL terminology, structure and basic concepts and has comprehended the core principles of ITIL practices for Service Management.

The ITIL Foundation certificate in IT Service Management is *not* intended to enable the holders of the certificate to *apply* the ITIL practices for Service Management without further guidance.

Target Group

The target group of the ITIL Foundation certificate in IT Service Management is drawn from:

- Individuals who require a basic understanding of the ITIL framework and how it may be used to enhance the quality of IT service management within an organization.
- IT professionals that are working within an organization that has adopted and adapted ITIL who
 need to be informed about and thereafter contribute to an ongoing service improvement
 programme.

This may include but is not limited to, IT professionals, business managers and business process owners.

Learning Objectives

Candidates can expect to gain knowledge and understanding in the following upon successful completion of the education and examination components related to this certification.

- Service Management as a practice (Comprehension)
- Service Lifecycle (Comprehension)
- Key Principles and Models (Comprehension)
- Generic Concepts (Awareness)
- Selected Processes (Awareness)
- Selected Roles (Awareness)
- Selected Functions (Awareness)
- Technology and Architecture (Awareness)
- ITIL Qualification scheme (Awareness)

Foundation Syllabus

The syllabus will guide the design, development and use of training materials as well as training aimed at raising individual's understanding of, and competence in, IT Service Management as described in the ITIL Service Strategy, ITIL Service Design, ITIL Service Transition, ITIL Service Operation, ITIL Continual Service Improvement, ITIL Introduction and ITIL Glossary publications. The syllabus has been designed with ease of reference, extensibility and ease of maintenance in mind.

Candidates for the ITIL Foundation certificate in IT Service Management have to complete all units and successfully pass the corresponding examination to achieve certification.

Training providers are free to structure and organize their training in the way they find most appropriate, provided the units below are sufficiently covered. It is strongly recommended that training providers do not structure their courses by simply following the order of the training units as described in this document. It has been designed to be flexible so that training providers can add value as appropriate. The recommended number of study hours is 18 hours plus the final exam.

The units cover the topics listed. The terms emphasized in *italics* are defined in the ITIL Glossary.

Unit	Content
ITILFND01	Service Management as a practice
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to define <i>Service</i> and to comprehend and explain the concept of <i>Service Management</i> as a <i>practice</i> .
	Specifically, candidates must be able to:
	01-1. Describe the concept of Good <i>Practice</i> (SS 1.2.2) 01-2. Define and explain the concept of a <i>Service</i> (SS 2.2.1) 01-3. Define and explain the concept of <i>Service Management</i> (SS 2.1) 01-4. Define <i>Functions</i> and <i>Processes</i> (SS 2.3, 2.6.1, SD 2.3, SD 3.6.4, ST 2.3, SO 2.3, 3.1, CSI 2.3) 01-5. Explain the <i>process</i> model and the characteristics of <i>processes</i> (SD 2.3.2, 3.6.4)
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 45 minutes
ITILFND02	The Service Lifecycle
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to understand the value of the Service Lifecycle, how the processes integrate with each other, throughout the Lifecycle and explain the objectives and business value for each phase in the Lifecycle
	Specifically, candidates must be able to:
	02-2. Describe the structure, <i>scope, components</i> and interfaces of the Service Lifecycle (SS 1.2.3 All) 02-3. Account for the main goals and <i>objectives</i> of <i>Service Strategy</i> (SS 1.3) 02-4. Account for the main goals and <i>objectives</i> of <i>Service Design</i> (SD 2.4.1, SD 3.1)
	02-5. Briefly explain what value <i>Service Design</i> provides to the business (SD 2.4.3) 02-6. Account for the main goals and objectives of <i>Service Transition</i> (ST 2.4.1) 02-7. Briefly explain what value <i>Service Transition</i> provides to the business (ST 2.4.3)
	02-8. Account for the main goals and objectives of <i>Service Operations</i> (SO 2.4.1) 02-9. Briefly explain what value <i>Service Operation</i> provides to the <i>business</i> (SO 2.4.3 1 st para, SO 1.2.3.4)

Unit	Content	
	02-10. Account for the main goals and objectives of Continual Service	
	Improvement (CSI 2.4.1, 2.4.2)	
	It is recommended that this training is covered within other units	
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	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 1.0 hours.	
ITILFND03	Generic concepts and definitions	
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to define some of the key terminology	
	and explain the key concepts of Service Management.	
	Specifically, candidates must be able to define and explain the following key concepts:	
	03-1. Utility and Warranty (SS 2.2.2)	
	03-2. Resources, Capabilities and Assets (SS 3.2.1)	
	03-3. Service Portfolio (SS 4.2.3, SD 3.6.2 – to end of 1st bullet list) 03-4. Service Catalogue (Business Service Catalogue and Technical Service	
	Catalogue) (SS 4.2.3.1, SD 4.1.4)	
	03-5. The role of IT <i>Governance</i> across the <i>Service Lifecycle</i> (CSI 3.10 All)	
	03-6. Business Case (SS 5.2.1 Intro, CSI 4.4.1) 03-7. Risk (SS 9.5.1, CSI 5.6.3)	
	03-9. Service Provider (the candidate is not expected to know the detail of each	
	of the three types of Service Providers) (SS 3.3 Intro only, not 3.3.1, 3.3.2,	
	3.3.3)	
	03-10. Supplier (SD 4.2.4, 4.7.2) 03-11. Service Level Agreement (SLA) (SD 4.2.4, 4.2.5.1)	
	03-12. Operational Level Agreement (OLA) (SD 4.2.4)	
	03-13. Contract (SD 4.7.5.1)	
	03-14. Service Design Package (SD Appendix A)	
	03-15. Availability (SD 4.4.4) 03-16. Service Knowledge Management System (SKMS) (ST 4.7.4.2)	
	03-17. Configuration Item (CI) (ST 4.3.4.2)	
	03-18. Configuration Management System (ST 4.3.4.3)	
	03-19. Definitive Media Library (DML) (ST 4.3.4.3)	
	03-20. Service Change (ST 4.2.2) 03-21. Change types (Normal, Standard and Emergency) (ST 4.2.6.1, 4.2.4.5,	
	4.2.6.9)	
	03-22. Release Unit (ST 4.4.4.1)	
	03-23. Concept of Seven R's of <i>Change Management</i> (ST 4.2.6.4); no requirement to learn list	
	03-24. <i>Event</i> (SO 4.1 1 st para)	
	03-25. Alert (SO Glossary)	
	03-26. Incident (SO 4.2)	
	03-27. Impact, Urgency and Priority (SO 4.2.5.4, 4.4.5.4) 03-28. Service Request (SO 4.3)	
	03-29. <i>Problem</i> (SO 4.4)	
	03-30. Workaround (SO 4.4.5.6)	
	03-31. Known Error (SO 4.4.5.7)	
	03-32. Known Error Data Base (KEDB) (SO 4.4.7.2) 03-33. The role of communication in Service Operation (SO 3.6)	
	03-33. The fole of confinding alloft in Service Operation (30 3.0)	
	03-35. Release policy (ST 4.1.4.2)	
	It is recommended that this unit is covered as part of the training in the other units.	
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 1.0 hours.	

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ITILFND04	Vay Drivainles and Madela	
IIILFND04	Key Principles and Models	
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to comprehend and account for the key principles and <i>models</i> of <i>Service Management</i> and to balance some of the opposing forces within <i>Service Management</i> .	
	Specifically, candidates must be able to:	
	Service Strategy	
	04-2. Describe basics of Value Creation through Services (SS 3.1.1, 3.1.2)	
	Service Design	
	 04-3. Understand the importance of People, <i>Processes</i>, Products and Partners for <i>Service Management</i> (SD 2.4.2) 04-4. Understand the five major aspects of <i>Service Design</i> (SD 2.4.2): 	
	 Service Portfolio Design Identification of Business Requirements, definition of Service Requirements and design of Services Technology and architectural design Process design Measurement design 	
	Continual Service Improvement	
	 04-8. Explain the <i>Plan, Do, Check and Act</i> (PDCA) <i>Model</i> to control and manage <i>quality</i> (CSI 3.6, 5.5.1, Fig 5.6) 04-9. Explain the <i>Continual Service Improvement Model</i> (CSI 2.4.4, Fig 2.3) 04-10. Understand the role of measurement for <i>Continual Service Improvement</i> and explain the following key elements: 	
	 The role of KPIs in the Improvement Process (CSI 4.1.2) Baselines (CSI 3.7.1) 	
	 Types of metrics (technology metrics, process metrics, service metrics) (CSI 4.1.2) 	
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 1.5 hours.	
ITILFND05	Processes	
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate understand how the Service Management processes contribute to the Service Lifecycle, to explain the high level objectives, scope, basic concepts, activities and challenges for five of the core processes, and to state the objectives and some of the basic concepts for thirteen of the remaining processes including how they relate to each other.	
	The list of activities to be included from each process is the minimum required and should not be taken as an exhaustive list.	
	Specifically, candidates must be able to:	

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	Service Strategy	
	State the <i>objectives</i> and basic concepts for:	
	05-21. Demand Management (SS 5.5)	
	The following list must be covered:	
	 Challenges in managing demand for Services (SS 5.5.1) Activity-based Demand Management (Patterns of business activity (PBAs) (SS 5.5.2) Business activity patterns and user profiles (SS 5.5.3) 	
	05-22. Financial Management (SS 5.1 Intro, 5.1.2 Intro)	
	Business case	
	Service Design	
	Explain the high level <i>objectives</i> , basic concepts, process <i>activities and relationships for:</i>	
	05-31. Service Level Management (SLM) (SD 4.2.1, 4.2.2, 4.2.5, 4.2.5.1 - 9, CSI 3.5)	
	The following list must be covered:	
	 Service-based SLA Multi-level SLAs Service level requirements (SLRs) SLAM chart Service review Service improvement plan (SIP) 	
	State the <i>objectives</i> and basic concepts for:	
	05-41. Service Catalogue Management (SD 4.1 Intro, 4.1.1, 4.1.4)	
	05-42. Availability Management (SD 4.4.1, 4.4.4)	
	 Service availability Component availability Reliability Maintainability Serviceability 	
	05-43. Information Security Management (ISM) (SD 4.6 Intro, 4.6.1, 4.6.4)	
	 Security framework (SD 4.6.4.1) Information security policy (SD 4.6.4.2) Information security management system (ISMS) (SD 4.6.4.3) 	
	05-44. Supplier Management (SD 4.7 Intro, 4.7.1)	

Unit	Content
	Supplier Contract Database (SCD) (SD 4.7.4)
	05-45. Capacity Management (SD 4.3.1, 4.3.4)
	 Capacity plan Business capacity management Service capacity management Component capacity management
	05-46. IT Service Continuity Management (SD 4.5.1, 4.5.4)
	 Business Continuity Plans Business Continuity Management Business Impact Analysis Risk Analysis
	Service Transition
	Explain the high level objectives, basic concepts, process activities and relationships for:
	05-51. Change Management (ST 4.2)
	 Types of change request (ST 4.2.4.3, Table 4.3) Change process models and workflows (ST 4.2.4.4) Standard change (ST 4.2.4.5) Remediation Planning (ST 4.2.5) Change Advisory Board / Emergency Change Advisory Board (ST 4.2.6.8)
	05-52. Service Asset and Configuration Management (SACM) (ST 4.3.1, 4.3.4, 4.3.5) to include:
	 The Configuration Model Configuration items Configuration Management System (CMS) Definitive Media Library Configuration baseline
	State the <i>objectives</i> and basic concepts for:
	05-61. Release and Deployment Management (ST 4.4.1, 4.4.4)
	05-62. Knowledge Management (ST 4.7 Intro, 4.7.1, 4.7.4)
	DIKW & SKMS
	Service Operation
	Explain the high level <i>objectives</i> , basic concepts, process <i>activities</i> and relationships for:
	05-71. Incident Management (SO 4.2, Fig 4.2)

Unit	Content
	05-72. Problem Management (SO 4.4, Fig 4.4), not PM techniques
	State the objectives and basic concepts for:
	05-81. Event Management (SO 4.1 Intro, 4.1.1, 4.1.4)
	05-82. Request Fulfilments (SO 4.3 Intro, 4.3.1, 4.3.4)
	05-83. Access Management (SO 4.5 Intro, 4.5.1, 4.5.4)
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 10.0 hours.
ITILFND06	Functions
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to explain the <i>role</i> , <i>objectives</i> and <i>organizational</i> structures of the <i>Service Desk function</i> , and to state the <i>role</i> , <i>objectives</i> and overlap of three other <i>functions</i> .
	Specifically, candidates must be able to:
	06-1. Explain the <i>role</i> , <i>objectives</i> and <i>organizational</i> structures for
	The Service Desk function (SO 6.2)
	06-2. State the <i>role</i> , <i>objectives</i> and <i>organizational</i> overlap of:
	 The Technical Management function (SO 6.1, 6.3 Intro, 6.3.1, 6.3.2) The Application Management function (SO 6.5 Intro, 6.5.1, 6.5.2) The IT Operations Management function (IT Operations Control and Facilities Management) (SO 6.4 Intro, 6.4.1, 6.4.2)
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 1.0 hours.
ITILFND07	Roles
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to account for and to be aware of the responsibilities of some of the key <i>roles</i> in <i>Service Management</i> .
	Specifically, candidates must be able to:
	07-1. Account for the <i>role</i> and the responsibilities of the
	 Process owner (SD 6.4 Intro, 6.4.1) Service owner (CSI 6.1 Intro, 6.1.4)
	07-2. Recognize the <i>RACI</i> model and explain its role in determining organizational structure. (SD 6 Intro, CSI 6.2 – not RASI-VS or RASCI)
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 30 minutes.
ITILFND08	Technology and Architecture

Unit	Content	
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to	
	08-2. Understand how Service Automation assists with integrating Service Management processes (SS 8.1)	
	It is recommended that this unit is covered as part of the training in the other units.	
ITILFND09	ITIL Qualification scheme	
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to	
	09-1. Explain the ITIL <i>Qualification</i> scheme, distinguish between the purposes of the two intermediate streams, mention the included certificates, ITIL Expert and ITIL Master, and understand the different options for further training.	
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 15 minutes.	
ITILFND10	Mock exam	
	The purpose of this unit is to help the candidate to pass the ITIL Foundation exam.	
	Specifically, candidates must:	
	10-1. Sit minimum one ITIL Foundation mock exam.	
	The recommended study period for this unit is minimum 2.0 hours inclusive of revision.	

Format of the Examination

This syllabus has an accompanying examination at which the candidate must achieve a pass score to gain the ITIL Foundation Certificate in IT Service Management.

Туре	Multiple choice, 40 questions. The questions are selected from the full ITIL Foundation in IT Service Management examination question bank.
Duration	Maximum 60 minutes for all candidates in their respective language
Provisions for Additional Time relating to language	Candidates completing an exam: in a language that is not their mother tongue, and in a country where the language of the exam is not a business language in the country, have a maximum of 75 minutes to complete the exam and are allowed the use of a dictionary
Prerequisite	Accredited ITIL Foundation training is strongly recommended, but is not a prerequisite.
Supervised	Yes
Open Book	No
Pass Score	65% (26 out of 40)
Distinction Score	None
Delivery	Online or Paper Based. Examination agent facility with a proof of education providers.