



Practical Network Penetration Tester (PNPT) Training Syllabus and Exam Overview

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Exam Overview

The PNPT exam is a one-of-a-kind ethical hacking certification exam that assesses a student's ability to perform an external and internal network penetration test at a professional level. Students will have **five (5) full days** to complete the assessment and an **additional two (2) days** to write a professional report.

To receive the certification, a student must:

- Perform Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) to gather intel on how to properly attack the network
- Leverage their Active Directory exploitation skillsets to perform A/V and egress bypassing, lateral and vertical network movements, and ultimately compromise the exam Domain Controller
- Provide a detailed, professionally written report
- Perform a live 15-minute report debrief in front of our assessors, comprised of all senior penetration testers

Training Overview

The PNPT Training consists of five (5) full-length video courses designed to take a student with little to no background in ethical hacking to being able to pass the exam and earn the certification. Upon purchase, the student will automatically be enrolled in the TCM Academy (<https://academy.tcm-sec.com>) and be provided access to the following courses (please click on any link below to read further information about the courses):

- [Practical Ethical Hacking](#) (25 hours)
- [Open-Source Intelligence \(OSINT\) Fundamentals](#) (9 hours)
- [External Pentest Playbook](#) (3.5 hours)
- [Linux Privilege Escalation for Beginners](#) (6.5 hours)
- [Windows Privilege Escalation for Beginners](#) (7 hours)

In total, the student will receive over 50+ hours of video training. We strongly recommend that the courses be taken in the order listed above.

In addition to the course videos, students will have access to the course Discord, which provides a place to ask course related questions, receive assistance/troubleshooting, and network with other students and cybersecurity professionals. At the time of this writing, the Discord has over 25,000 active members and the training courses have over 200,000 enrollments.

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