MongoDB Certification Program Guide 2023



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Introduction

This program guide was created to provide details about our certification program. Our hope is that you will use this guide to familiarize yourself with our collection of exams, the vendors we partner with, our testing process, and the policies and guidelines we expect our testers to follow.

Why Certify?

Certifications offered by MongoDB are recognized by professional institutions and the worldwide tech community, as representing a mastery level in MongoDB applications.

Value

Certifications validate tester's knowledge and skills through examination. MongoDB Certified Professionals are employed at organizations of all sizes, in 196+ countries.

Companies hiring certified professionals benefit by having a third-party validate a tester's knowledge, skills and abilities, leading to a better industry reputation, higher-quality work and, ultimately, more customers.

- 91% of hiring managers report certification is an important criterion for hiring.
- Certification makes job candidates stand out in a crowded job market.²
- Certification makes a better case for that big raise or promotion.³
- Third-party validation of skills is far more powerful than self-promotion of knowledge.⁴

Benefits

- Foster credibility with your employer and peers in the developer and operations communities
- Remain competitive and employable
- Gain job proficiency more quickly (via exam preparation)
- Show commitment by investing in your career
- Keep your skills up-to-date
- Earn a portable credential to enhance job mobility
- Gain exposure and showcase your skills through the MongoDB Talent Directory

¹ Microsoft Certification Program Satisfaction Study

² How Much Will Certifications and Skills Boost Your Pay?

³ Insight.dice.com, July 16, 2020

⁴ Prometric, Understanding The Benefits Of Industry Certification

MongoDB Certifications

MongoDB Associate Developer

MongoDB associate developers possess the essential skills to create beginner level applications utilizing MongoDB as a backing database for Java, Python, C#, PHP or Javascript applications.

MongoDB Associate Database Administrator

MongoDB Associate Database Administrators are certified in possessing the essential skills to create, maintain, manage, backup, and monitor MongoDB databases.

Exam Preparation

Eligibility

Anyone is eligible to take a MongoDB certification exam. There are no required courses or prerequisites of any kind that must be met in order to test. We do however, make strong recommendations of the courses we think you take and the amount of experience we think you should have to successfully complete our exams. It's your choice to follow these recommendations or not.

Ways to Train

Free On-Demand Training

Develop immediately applicable skills through our free online training courses, developed by MongoDB experts. Learn and work toward Certification at your own pace.

MongoDB Documentation

Find the guides, samples, and references you need to use the database, visualize data, and build applications on the MongoDB data platform.

Instructor-Led Training Courses

If you want to ramp up quickly or you just learn better in a live environment, try for-pay instructor-led training which is designed and led by MongoDB consultants. You and your team will be equipped to build solutions to complex development and operations problems.

The Testing Experience

MongoDB has partnered with a few companies to curate a straightforward yet secure testing experience.

Registration

The certification journey begins on our training portal <u>MongoDB University</u>. Simply select the certification of your choice from the <u>certification page</u>, register, complete the transaction process, and you're on your way!

Scheduling

Once you've registered and completed the transaction process, you'll be sent to our online proctoring partner, Examity, to complete your tester profile and schedule your exam. Online proctoring means that exams can be taken right from your computer at a time and location that is convenient for you without requiring travel to a test center. Extended Time Exams Available Upon Request: If you have a disability and/or English is not your first language, we offer extended time versions of all of our exams upon request. Once you schedule your exam, please request extended time by sending your request to certification@mongodb.com. We require 72 hrs of advanced notice for extended time requests so we can make sure the proper arrangements are made.

Testing

On test day simply login to our training portal <u>MongoDB University</u> and navigate to the certification on your student dashboard to launch your exam. A system check will be initiated and you will be connected with your online proctor to begin the identification process and start your exam.

Online Proctoring Set-up

Online proctoring means there will be someone observing you through your computer camera as you test. You may use a PC or a Mac, a desktop or a laptop but **you must use a Chrome browser**. Examity requires a Chrome browser extension that will be removed automatically when you complete your exam. We strongly recommend you test on a personal computer as many companies restrict adding browser extensions.

To ensure things go smoothly on test day, please turn off your pop-up blockers and run a <u>systems test</u> a few days in advance of your exam. Refer to the <u>Examity Live</u>

<u>Proctoring Test Taker Guide</u> to make sure you're ready!

Results and Scoring

A pass/fail result as well as topic level scoring will be available on screen as soon as the exam is completed. Testers will also have the option to email these results to themselves and others such as a manager or a colleague. *Please Note:* MongoDB performs a post session exam review for any improprieties. In the event improprieties are discovered, credentials will be revoked and accounts will be suspended.

Digital Credentials

Upon successful completion of a MongoDB certification exam, digital credentials and a certificate will be issued to you by our credentialing partner Credly. These assets are designed for sharing on social media tools to help you get noticed! When you accept your badge you will be searchable in the MongoDB Talent Directory which will expose your skills to talent seekers and help you connect with opportunities. Please note: Although you are provided with an immediate pass/fail result upon completion of the exam, our proctoring vendor, Examity, requires 72 hours to conduct a review of your testing session before your digital badge is released.

Program Guidelines

Certification Exam Terms & Conditions

The <u>MongoDB Certification Exam Terms and Conditions</u> describes the terms and conditions that govern your participation in our program. It is critical that you read the agreement in advance of purchasing an exam, as you will not be permitted to purchase any MongoDB exam without agreeing to these terms. Violation of any terms in the agreement can prohibit you from taking the exam, invalidate your score, suspend or revoke your certification, or ban you from the program.

Refunds, Cancellations, and Reschedules

You may cancel or reschedule your exam anytime before your scheduled test without penalty. If you miss your scheduled test time, rescheduling will no longer be an option and a refund will not be provided.

Retake Policy

MongoDB requires a 15-day "cooling off" period between exam retakes to limit exposure to our test forms. Our testing vendor's scheduling system will account for this 15-day period automatically and allow retake dates to be scheduled after the cooling off period has been met. Retakes are the same price as the retail exams and are purchased the same way.

Test Taking Rules

- You must be alone in the room throughout the exam.
- You are not allowed to talk or read aloud during the exam.
- You must have a clear desk and workspace.
- You will be required to perform a 360 degree room and desk pan using your webcam.
- Your computer must be connected to a power source.
- You may not use your phone or smartwatch during the exam.
- You are not allowed to use more than one monitor during the exam.
- Your webcam, speakers, screenshare, and microphone must remain on throughout the exam.
- You must remain within a clear view of your webcam throughout the exam with adequate lighting.
- You are allowed to use headphones throughout the duration of the exam.
- You are allowed to leave your seat during the exam for a restroom break (this will count against your time).
- If improper testing behavior occurs you will be asked to stop your exam.
- You will receive a pass/fail result at the end of the exam. You will have the option to email the results to yourself.

Maintaining Certifications

Currently, MongoDB certifications do not expire and are governed by MongoDB product versioning.

Support

MongoDB Program Support

If you need to reach the MongoDB certification team, send us a ticket and we'll get back to you ASAP! Submit a <u>support ticket</u>.

LinkedIn Community

Whether you're an aspiring certification candidate or a certified veteran, joining our LinkedIn group will expose you to new contacts, study buddies and perhaps even your next job!

MongoDB University for Developers

Examity Online Proctor Support

If you're having trouble scheduling an exam or connecting with your proctor, or if you get disconnected during your exam, please contact our testing provider using one of these methods:

Webform

Email

Phone:

U.S.: +1 855-392-6489

England: +44 800 086 8080 Ireland: +353 1800 832 210 Australia: +61 2 8520 3169 India: +91 000 80091 91077

Credly Badging Support

If you're looking for help with a badge you've earned, please visit the <u>Credly Help</u> <u>Center</u>.