

CCNP

A **Cisco Certified Network Professional (CCNP)** is someone in the IT industry who has achieved a professional level of Cisco career certification, which is a type of IT professional certification created by Cisco Systems,^[1] best for Network Operations Specialist, Network administrators & engineers.

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The professional Certifications

There are eight areas of the professional Certifications^[2] It is designed for the requirement of the IT industries.

- CCNP Cloud
- CCNP Collaboration
- CCNP Data Center
- CCNP Routing and Switching
- CCNP Security
- CCNP Service Provider
- CCNP Wireless

Required Exams

To apply the CCNP exam, Entry-level Cisco certifications needs to be passed in advance

- The associate-level certification programs are: CCNA Routing and Switching, CCNA Collaboration and CCNA Industrial etc.
- The each area of CCNP licence requires to pass the relevant exams for certification of the professional understanding and capability of the Networking.
- For example, the CCNP Routing and Switching consists of three exams^[3] Implementing Cisco IP Routing, Implementing Cisco IP Switched Networks and Troubleshooting and Maintaining Cisco IP Networks

Related Certifications

- Expert level Certifications:CCIE
- Associate-level certification :CCNA

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