

CCNP Enterprise

Frequently Asked Questions

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Cisco Certifications FAQ

Q1. What changes have been made to the CCNP certification?

A. As of Feb 24, 2020 Cisco has released a new CCNP Enterprise certification that requires passing two exams. These exams include: Implementing Cisco Enterprise Network Core Technologies (ENCOR) exam, plus one of the technology concentration exams. The Networking Academy portfolio will include training aligned to the ENCOR exam, plus the concentration exam for Implementing Cisco Enterprise Advanced Routing and Services (ENARSI). Passing either of these exams will earn a Specialist certification and by passing both exams, you will also earn the CCNP Enterprise certification.

Another change is that CCNA certification is no longer a pre-requisite to earn a CCNP certification. Also, for individuals with active certifications, the recertification options have been expanded to allow Continuing Education credits to be used in addition to the exam options. See details for the new recertification policy and option to use Continuing Education credits on the [Cisco Recertification Policy page](#).

Q2. What are the names and numbers for the new CCNP Enterprise certification exams?

A. Implementing Cisco Enterprise Network Core Technologies (ENCOR [350-401](#)) and Implementing Cisco Enterprise Advanced Routing and Services (ENARSI [300-410](#)).

Exam topics can be found using the links above.

Q3. Are the CCNP Enterprise courses eligible to earn Continuing Education credits toward a Cisco recertification?

A. Yes. Anyone with an active Cisco certification can enroll in the Continuing Education (CE) program and earn credits by successfully completing the CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking (ENCOR) or CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing (ENARSI) courses. Student who earn a digital badge in this course are eligible to claim CE credits. The policies related to Cisco's Continuing Education program and the process to submit claims are described [here](#).

Networking Academy Trainings
CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking
CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing
DevNet Associate
CyberOps Associate

CCNP Enterprise 8.0 Course FAQ

Q3. Can you please describe the new CCNP Enterprise 8.0 curriculum?

A. There are two courses in this CCNP Enterprise version 8.0 curriculum that provide students with knowledge and skills needed to configure, operate and troubleshoot large scale enterprise networks:

1. CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking (ENCOR)
2. CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing (ENARSI)

The courses cover a broad range of routing, switching and wireless topics along with security best practices used in software-driven digital networks. For a complete description of the courses and topics in each, please refer to the Scope and Sequence document found on the instructor resource page.

Q4. What is the source of course material used by students?

A. Each course curriculum is based on the Cisco Press Official Cert Guide. Students will need to purchase the applicable book for each course. These can be ordered from Cisco Press using the following links:
CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking ([ENCOR](#)) or CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing ([ENARSI](#)) or [BOTH](#) can be purchased.

Q5. How many hours do each of the three courses require?

A. Each course consists of approximately 70 hours of instructional material.

Q6. When will badging be available and for which courses?

A. Networking Academy badges are now available for the new CCNP Enterprise courses. Each of the two CCNP Enterprise 8.0 courses will have a digital badge associated with it ([ENCOR](#) and [ENARSI](#)). Just as with a Letter of Merit, students will need to achieve a minimum score of 70% on the first attempt of the course final to qualify for a digital badge.

Q7. Will instructors and instructor trainers need to be re-accredited?

A. CCNP R&S 7.0 instructors and instructor trainers who are currently qualified to teach all 3 courses (ROUTE, SWITCH and TSHOOT) will be qualified for both of the new CCNP Enterprise 8.0 courses. There are no changes to the instructor trainer qualification renewal requirements. We highly recommend these instructors and instructor trainers study the new content in the respective courses.

For CCNP R&S 7.0 instructors who are currently qualified on fewer than the 3 courses, please refer to the table below:

CCNP R&S 7 Course Current Qualification(s)	CCNP Enterprise 8.0 Course Qualification(s) Earned	Materials to Review*
CCNP R&S ROUTE	CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking (ENCOR)	New topics
CCNP R&S SWITCH	N/A	None
CCNP R&S TSHOOT	CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing (ENARSI)	New topics
CCNP R&S ROUTE CCNP R&S SWITCH	CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking (ENCOR)	New topics
CCNP R&S SWITCH CCNP R&S TSHOOT	CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing (ENARSI)	New topics
CCNP R&S ROUTE CCNP R&S TSHOOT	CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking (ENCOR) CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing (ENARSI)	New topics
CCNP R&S ROUTE CCNP R&S SWITCH CCNP R&S TSHOOT	CCNP Enterprise: Core Networking (ENCOR) CCNP Enterprise: Advanced Routing (ENARSI)	New topics

Q8. What guidance can you provide on equipment bundles for CCNP Enterprise courses?

A. CCNP Enterprise 8.0 lab topologies leverage the same physical equipment used for CCNP R&S 7.0 equipment list. Fewer devices are required per lab pod. (1 less 4221 router and 1 less 2960 switch). The physical equipment bundle is described in the CCNP Enterprise ENCOR 8.0 Scope and Sequence document and the Equipment List for CCNP Enterprise 8.0 – both of which can be found on the Instructor Resource page.

Q9. Can I teach CCNP Enterprise courses using the 1941/2901 Routers?

A. Yes, you can use the 1941/2901 Routers, but please note:

- The hands-on labs and Skills Assessments (SA) were written using the Cisco 4221 routers
- Some modifications for router interface names will be required
- Most CCNP Enterprise lab commands should work, but full regression testing for the 1941 and 2901 has not and will not be done

Q10. Where can I find Instructor Resources for this course?

A. You can access the Instructor Resources for each course at the following links:

<https://www.netacad.com/portal/resources/course-resources/ccnp-encor>
<https://www.netacad.com/portal/resources/course-resources/ccnp-enarsi>

Packet Tracer for CCNP Enterprise FAQ

Q11. Which version of Cisco Packet Tracer (PT) should I use for the optional PT activities in CCNP Enterprise 8.0?

A: Use Packet Tracer 7.3.0. It's required. Some files may not open with Packet Tracer 7.2.2.

Q12. Can I install both Packet Tracer 7.2.2 and 7.3.0 simultaneously?

A: You may have both Packet Tracer 7.2.2 and 7.3.0 installed simultaneously (for Windows), but Packet Tracer Skills Assessments (PTSA) and Packet Tracer Media Objects (PTMO) will launch using the newest install of Packet Tracer. We recommend installing Packet Tracer 7.2.2 first, followed by 7.3.0.

Q13. How do I upgrade my scripts to be compatible with Packet Tracer 7.3.0?

A: Please reference the Packet Tracer help documents, in the section on Script Modules to convert synchronous JavaScript calls to asynchronous JavaScript calls. To access the help documents, use the Help menu from within Packet Tracer and select Contents. This launches the Packet Tracer Help files in a browser window. From the browser side panel, navigate to the Script Modules section and select Web Views.

Q14. How do I install Packet Tracer on Ubuntu Linux?

A: Run command "sudo apt-get install <absolute path to the .deb file>" and follow the instructions shown on your screen. (Note that using "sudo dpkg -i <absolute path to the .deb file>" will not install the dependencies needed).

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