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CERTIFIED KUBERNETES ADMINISTRATOR (CKA)

The Certified Kubernetes Administrator (CKA) program was created by the Cloud Native Computing Foundation (CNCF), in collaboration with The Linux Foundation, to help develop the Kubernetes ecosystem.

As one of the highest velocity open source projects, Kubernetes use is exploding. The Cloud Native Computing Foundation is committed to growing the community of Kubernetes Administrators, thereby allowing continued growth across the broad set of companies and organizations that are using Kubernetes.

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Certification is a key step in that process, allowing certified administrators to quickly establish their credibility and value in the job market, and also allowing companies to more quickly hire high-quality teams to support their growth.

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About the program

The Cloud Native Computing Foundation (CNCF) is a non-profit organization that provides a platform for the community to demonstrate their competencies in cloud native computing.

The purpose of the Certified Kubernetes Administrator (CKA) certification is to provide assurance that CKAs have the skills and knowledge to manage Kubernetes clusters. This certification is a testament to the responsibilities of Kubernetes administrators.

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It is an online, proctored, performance-based test that requires solving multiple issues from a command line.

The CKA program is separate from **Kubernetes Certified Service Provider (KCSP) program**. You can become a CKA without needing to be involved with a KCSP, but for a company to become a KCSP it must employ at least three CKAs. You can **learn**



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Exam details

The online exam consists of a set of performance-based items (problems) to be solved in a command line and candidates have 2 hours to complete the tasks.

The Certification focuses on the skills required to be a successful Kubernetes Administrator in industry today. This includes these general domains and their weights on the exam:

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Cluster Architecture, Installation & Upgrades

Workloads & Scheduling

Services & Networking

Storage

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Troubleshooting

30%

The cost is \$445 and includes one free retake. For questions on the exam, **please reach out**.

Quarterly exam updates are planned to match Kubernetes releases. Please see **the FAQ** for the current exam environment version.

Exam resources

- **Candidate Handbook**
- **Curriculum Overview**
- **Exam Tips**
- **Frequently Asked Questions**
- **Linux Foundation Global Certification and Confidentiality Agreement**
- **Verify Certification**
- **CKA Reseller FAQs**
- **Read: A Community Member's Experience**

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