

MongoDB Certification

Program Guide

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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.¹
- 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

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](#)

- 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](#)

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 possess the essential skills to create, maintain, manage, backup, and monitor MongoDB databases.

[**MongoDB Associate Data Modeler**](#)

MongoDB Associate Data Modelers possess the skills to design, build and evolve effective data models in MongoDB, and incorporate data governance into your work.

[**MongoDB Associate Atlas Administrator**](#)

MongoDB Associate Atlas Administrators possess the skills of designing, operating, and managing deployments with MongoDB Atlas.

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 [MongoDB University](#). Simply select the certification of your choice from the [certification page](#), 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, ProctorU, 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've scheduled 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 log in to our training portal [MongoDB University](#), and navigate to the certification on your student dashboard to launch your exam. You will be directed to your ProctorU account to complete a series of pre-checks and identity verification. Once complete, you will connect with your online proctor to start your exam. To ensure you are properly prepared, we recommend reviewing the resources on [What to expect on exam day](#).

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*. ProctorU requires all candidates to [download the Guardian Extension](#). 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 [test your equipment](#) a few days in advance of your exam.

We also recommend you familiarize yourself with the resource articles in the ProctorU [Test-Taker Library](#) to make sure you're ready! If you can't find an answer and need assistance, you can contact the [ProctorU Support Team](#) at any time.

Results and Scoring

MongoDB Certification exams have a pass/fail grading system that is determined through statistical analysis performed by psychometricians. Candidates must meet a required percentage to pass an exam. MongoDB does not publish the required percentages for our certifications as each exam passing score is

determined by unique exam-specific statistical data. Candidates only need to obtain an overall required percentage to pass an exam and do not need to obtain a passing percentage for each specific domain.

Each domain has a specific weighting on the exam, which is shared in percentages within each Exam Study Guide. Domain weightings are determined by a panel of Subject Matter Experts who contributed to the development of the certification. Some domains can have more or less exam questions than others depending on the analysis of knowledge and skills required to show competency during the Job Task Analysis for the certification.

Upon completion of an exam, candidates will receive a score report that states whether they passed or failed the exam, in addition to the total percentage correct for each domain. The purpose of the score report is to provide candidates with data behind their strengths and where improvements can be made in their performance.

Candidates will receive one point for each scored exam question that is answered correctly. Periodically there are extra exam questions called unscored exam questions that do not impact your score. MongoDB field tests potential new exam questions and analyzes their statistical performance before determining if they should be used as scored exam questions on a future exam. The unscored items are not identified to avoid bias.

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.

Program Guidelines

Certification Exam Terms & Conditions

The [MongoDB Certification Exam Terms and Conditions](#) 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 not allowed to use headphones during 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 [support ticket](#).

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](#)

ProctorU 24/7 Online 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:

[LiveChat](#)

[Submit a request](#)

Phone:

U.S. and Canada: +1 (855) 772-8678

Canada (French): +1 (888) 900-0005

United Kingdom: +44 (808) 168-1055

Australia: +61 (1800) 841-822

+61 (1800) 957-152

Credly Badging Support

If you're looking for help with a badge you've earned, please visit the [Credly Help Center.](#)