CIPP/E, CIPP/US, CIPM and CIPT Exam Updates Effective Oct. 3, 2022

To stay current with changes in the privacy landscape, the IAPP annually updates our certification exams. These updates include previously untested questions that cover the same content in different ways, but can also include new topics, laws and regulations our Exam Development Boards have identified as important additions.

While updates that include new content only account for 15% of each exam, candidates testing Oct. 3 and after should prepare for questions on the topics listed below. New versions of the body of knowledge and exam blueprint will also be effective Oct. 3 and can be found under “Certification - Free Resources.”

The following represents updated content you can expect:

**CIPP/E Updates**
This year’s changes resulted in the following additions to the CIPP/E body of knowledge and exam blueprint.

- Transparency requirements with regard to data protection notices.
- Important aspects of the 2021 SCCs (scope, approach, new obligations, etc.).
- Consequences of the “Schrems II” judgement on Safe Harbor, Privacy Shield, SCCs and other transfer mechanisms.
- EDPB guidelines on significant data protection topics (refer to the body of knowledge for specific guidelines).

**CIPP/US Updates**
This year’s changes resulted in the following additions to the CIPP/US body of knowledge. There were no changes to the exam blueprint.

- Implications of the “Schrems II” decision on data transfers.
- GLBA exemptions under state laws; Driver’s Privacy Protection Act.
- Automated employment decision tools.
- Colorado Privacy Act (CPA).
- Nevada Privacy Law (SB260).
- Requirements/liability of business associates under HIPAA and HITECH Act.
- State privacy laws for students (esp. SOPPA).
- Applicability of state privacy laws to HR data.

**CIPM Updates**
This year’s changes resulted in the following additions to the CIPM body of knowledge. There were no changes to the exam blueprint.

- Updates on data sharing and use processes, including secondary usage, vendor limitations and objections to usage.
- Updates on risk assessments, control and alignment.
- Updates on notification, reporting and record keeping of privacy incidents.
- Updates on internal and external policy processes and compliance.

**CIPT Updates**
This year’s changes resulted in the following additions to the CIPT body of knowledge. There were no changes to the exam blueprint.

- Addition of topics across multiple domains: Classification and records of processing; masking; irreversible masking; Privileged Access Management (PAM); centralized identity inventory; Dynamic Masking based on identities; privacy risk assessment and analysis; privacy audits and IT control reviews; data cleansing in production and non-production environments; Adtech and cookies; mobile phones and apps; Edge Computing; Smart Cities and Vehicles; Blockchain and NFTs; Virtual, Augmented and Mixed Reality.
- Clarification of topics for the Privacy Engineering role: Effective implementation, technological controls and protecting privacy during the development lifecycle.

If you have questions about these updates or other exam related questions, do not hesitate to contact us.