

CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION BLUEPRINT



Asia Privacy Certification

Examination Blueprint for the Certified Information Privacy Professional/Asia (CIPP/A)



The examination blueprint indicates the minimum and maximum number of question items that are included on the CIPP/A examination from the major areas of the Body of Knowledge. Questions may be asked from any of the listed topics under each area. You can use this blueprint to guide your preparation for the CIPP/A examination. For example, domains II, III and IV comprise 78% of the exam.

I. Privacy Fundamentals	6	12
A. Modern Privacy Principles OECD Guidelines, APEC privacy principles, Fair Information Practices	1	3
B. Adequacy and the Rest of the World GDPR, U.S. Sectoral approach, Adequate and non-adequate countries	3	5
C. Elements of Personal Information Personal data (EU, HK, SG), Personally identifiable information (US), Sensitive Personal Data Information (IND), pseudonymisation, de-identification and anonymisation	2	4
II. Singapore Privacy Laws and Practices	14	25
A. Legislative History and Origins Legal and political system, surveillance and identification, constitutional and common law protections, sector specific protections, social attitudes to privacy	2	4
B. Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA) PDPA definitions, Do Not Call Registry, the employment setting, exemptions, key concepts and practices (DPOs, staff training, consent, use, disclosure)	10	16
C. Enforcement Monetary Authority of Singapore, Personal Data Protection Commission, Commissioner guidance, rulings	2	5
III. Hong Kong Privacy Laws and Practices	14	25
A. Legislative History and Origins Political and legal systems, surveillance and identification, constitutional and common law protections, social attitudes to privacy	2	4



B. Personal Data Privacy Ordinance (PDPO)	11	18
Definitions of personal data, sensitive personal data, Guidance on Direct Marketing, exemptions, six data protection principles (DPPs), employment matters, data transfers		
C. Enforcement	1	3
Commissioner rules and guidance, policy development, privacy incidents		

IV. India Privacy Law and Practices	14	25
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A. Legislative History and Origins	2	4
Legal system and political structure, Credit Information Companies Regulation Act, Article 21, The Right to Information Act 2005, The Protection of Human Rights Act 1993, Information Technology Act 2000		
B. Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023 (DPDPA)	11	18
Personal data rights, children's data, exemptions, DPDPA rules		
C. Enforcement	1	3
The Ministry of Communication and IT, DeitY, TRAI, Data Protection Board, commissioner rulings and guidance, penalties and sanctions		

V. Common Themes	6	10
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A. Comparing Protections and Principles	3	5
Children's data, data breach notification, public registers, surveillance, national identity systems, data processing and export		
B. Data Subject Rights	3	5
Domestic use, breadth of exemption in HK, SG, and India		