

Official Microsoft Learning Products and Microsoft Press books that provide the skills necessary to succeed on the job and prepare for the certification exams are clearly outlined on the inside of this document.

Create a secure computing environment

The typical IT deployment cycle consists of five phases: design, plan, implement, manage, and maintain. The MCSA: Security certification covers skills associated with implementing, managing, and maintaining security in a network infrastructure.

Based on the MCSA credential, the MCSA: Security specialization measures a depth and breadth of security skills across the Windows platform. Exams include scenarios and case studies that are based on real-world business challenges, allowing candidates to meaningfully demonstrate and validate their ability to create a secure computing environment.

IT professionals pursuing MCSA: Security certification must demonstrate core security skills appropriate to their job role, including implementing security on the Windows 2000 or Windows Server 2003 platforms. Candidates must show proficiency with Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration (ISA) Server 2000 and/or 2004, Enterprise Edition, or demonstrate security skills beyond Microsoft technologies by achieving CompTIA Security+ certification, which is an industry-recognized standard of competency for foundation-level security practitioners.

The benefits of security specialization

IT professionals seeking to demonstrate security-specific knowledge and skills will benefit extensively by achieving the MCSA: Security specialization.

Reliably validate security skills

Microsoft and CompTIA certification exams are developed by respected industry experts with firsthand experience designing and implementing security for enterprise networks. IT professionals and organizations can be confident that these specializations validate in-depth security skills on the Windows platform.

Identify a focus on security

Systems administrators who focus on security in the enterprise will exhibit security-specific skills on the Microsoft platform and across the entire computing environment by obtaining MCSA: Security certification.

Bring value to any organization

IT professionals with the MCSA: Security certification bring industry-recognized best practices to their jobs. Certified individuals possessing security implementation and design skills are in a strong position to reduce the risk and impact of security issues on their organizations.

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Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator: Security

MCSA: Security at a Glance

PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

Experienced systems administrators who are responsible for managing, maintaining, and implementing security on Microsoft Windows 2000 or Windows Server 2003 and as part of a secure computing environment.

TYPICAL JOB TITLES FOR MCSA:

- Network Administrator
- Systems Administrator
- Technical Support Engineer
- Information Systems Administrator
- Network Technician

EXPERIENCE:

Candidates should have at least one year of experience in a security-focused job role.

MCP EXAMS REQUIRED:

3 core exams + 2 security specialization exams.

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Microsoft
CERTIFIED
Systems Administrator
SECURITY

Microsoft® has introduced a new specialization to its Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA) certification. The MCSA: Security specialization identifies systems administrators who demonstrate deep, role-based security skills on the Microsoft Windows® 2000 or Microsoft Windows Server™ 2003 operating system. This credential provides a way for IT professionals to highlight their focus on security in the enterprise and demonstrate their ability to create a secure computing environment.

Security skills are in high demand

Organizations need to reduce the risk and impact of security issues, which means that security implementation skills are in high demand across the IT industry. Systems administrators who focus on security in their job role want to highlight their expertise in this field, and employers are eager to identify individuals who possess these skills. The Microsoft security specialization identifies Microsoft Certified Systems Administrators who concentrate on security, setting them apart from their peers.

Enhance status as an IT professional

The MCSA: Security certification identifies systems administrators who specialize in managing, maintaining, and implementing security on the Windows platform and as part of a secure computing environment. Certification candidates are systems administrators who typically have at least one year of experience in a security-focused job role.

This certification specialization demonstrates to employers, peers, and clients the ability to secure a computing environment. In calling out their security expertise, IT professionals can easily and quickly differentiate themselves from their peers and gain an edge in marketing their skills.

Move ahead of the competition with quality, flexible learning solutions

Comprehensive preparation tools such as Official Microsoft Courses, available in both instructor-led and online formats, together with Official Microsoft Workshops, and Microsoft Press® Self-Paced Training Kits, are designed to give individuals detailed technical information in order to prepare for the certification exam and succeed on the job. Microsoft Certified Partners for Learning Solutions deliver these Official Microsoft Learning Products as well as other consultative services to build knowledge and provide opportunities to apply skills. Microsoft Skills Assessments evaluate whether individuals and organizations are prepared to implement specific business solutions and provide recommended ways to increase knowledge and skills.

MCSA: Security on Windows 2000

Core exams: 3 required
Security specialization exams: 2 required

EXAMS	OFFICIAL MICROSOFT LEARNING PRODUCTS	MICROSOFT PRESS BOOKS
Core Client Exams (1 exam required)		
Exam 70-270: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows XP Professional	Course 2272: Implementing and Supporting Microsoft Windows XP Professional (5 days) OR Course 2285: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows XP Professional (2 days)*	<i>MCSE Training Kit: Microsoft Windows XP Professional (Exam 70-270)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1429-6)
Core Networking Exams (2 exams required)		
Exam 70-215: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows 2000 Server	Course 2151: Microsoft Windows 2000 Network and Operating System Essentials (3 days) Course 2152: Implementing Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional and Server (5 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Microsoft Windows 2000 Server, Second Edition (Exam 70-215)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1767-8) ¹
Exam 70-218: Managing a Microsoft Windows 2000 Network Environment	Course 2126: Managing a Microsoft Windows 2000 Network Environment (5 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Managing a Microsoft Windows 2000 Network Environment, Second Edition (Exam 70-218)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1776-7)
Security Specialization Exams (2 exams required)		
Exam 70-214: Implementing and Administering Security in a Microsoft Windows 2000 Network	Course 2150: Designing a Secure Microsoft Windows 2000 Network (5 days) Course 2153: Implementing a Microsoft Windows 2000 Network Infrastructure (5 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Implementing and Administering Security in a Microsoft Windows 2000 Network (Exam 70-214)</i> (ISBN: 0-7356-1878-X)
Exam 70-227: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration (ISA) Server 2000, Enterprise Edition OR CompTIA Security+	Course 2159: Deploying and Managing Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2000 (3 days) OR Course 2810: Fundamentals of Network Security (4 days)	<i>MCSE Training Kit: Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2000</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1347-8) OR <i>Security+ Certification Training Kit</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1822-4)
Exam 70-350: Implementing Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration (ISA) Server 2004	Course 2824: Implementing Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2004 (5 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Implementing Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2004 (Exam 70-350)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-2169-1)

MCSA: Security on Windows Server 2003

Core exams: 3 required
Security specialization exams: 2 required

EXAMS	OFFICIAL MICROSOFT LEARNING PRODUCTS	MICROSOFT PRESS BOOKS
Core Client Exams (1 exam required)		
Exam 70-270: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows XP Professional	Course 2272: Implementing and Supporting Microsoft Windows XP Professional (5 days) OR Course 2285: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows XP Professional (2 days)*	<i>MCSE Training Kit: Microsoft Windows XP Professional (Exam 70-270)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1429-6)
Core Networking Exams (2 exams required)		
Exam 70-290: ² Managing and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment	Course 2273: Managing and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment (5 days) OR Course 2274: Managing a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment (5 days)* Course 2275: Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment (3 days)* OR Course 2208: Updating Support Skills from Microsoft Windows NT 4.0 to Microsoft Windows Server 2003 (3 days)*	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Managing and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment (Exam 70-290)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1437-7) ³
Exam 70-291: ² Implementing, Managing, and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network Infrastructure	Course 2276: Implementing a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network Infrastructure: Network Hosts (2 days)* Course 2277: Implementing, Managing, and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network Infrastructure: Network Services (5 days)* OR Course 2208: Updating Support Skills from Microsoft Windows NT® 4.0 to Microsoft Windows Server 2003 (3 days)*	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Implementing, Managing, and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network Infrastructure (Exam 70-291)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1439-3) ³
Security Specialization Exams (2 exams required)		
Exam 70-299: Implementing and Administering Security in a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network	Course 2823: Implementing and Administering Security in a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network (5 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Implementing and Administering Security in a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network (Exam 70-299)</i> (ISBN: See Web site for availability)
Exam 70-227: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration (ISA) Server 2000, Enterprise Edition OR CompTIA Security+	Course 2159: Deploying and Managing Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2000 (3 days) OR Course 2810: Fundamentals of Network Security (4 days)	<i>MCSE Training Kit: Microsoft Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2000</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1347-8) OR <i>Security+ Certification Training Kit</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1822-4)
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* Courses 2208, 2274, 2275, 2276, 2277, and 2285 are available in Microsoft E-Learning format. See www.microsoft.com/elearning for more information.

¹ This book is also one of the four books contained in *MCSA Self-Paced Training Kit: Microsoft Windows 2000 Core Requirements, Exams 70-210, 70-215, 70-216, and 70-218, Second Edition* (ISBN: 0-7356-1808-9).

² Candidates who hold MCSA on Windows 2000 may take the upgrade exam 70-292: Managing and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment for an MCSA Certified on Windows 2000 in place of Exams 70-290 and 70-291.

³ This book is also one of the four books contained in *MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit (Exams 70-290, 70-291, 70-293, 70-294): Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Core Requirements* (ISBN: 0-7356-1953-0).