

OUR LEARNING EXCLUSIVE

- Custom exam prep software and materials
- Exam delivery in the classroom, with a **98% success rate**
- Course-specific thinQtank® Learning publications to keep the learning engaging
- Extended hours of training, including immersive hands-on exercises
- **We do not teach the test.** We always deliver valuable hands-on experience
- All reading material and study guides sent to you when you register
- Every course taught by certified instructors

TRAINING CAMP FORMAT

thinQtank® Learning delivers this course as an **instructor-led training camp**, with the exam sat in the classroom as part of the camp. Camps are scheduled by cohort rather than to a fixed calendar, and the balance of lecture and lab work is set to suit the group and the delivery method. Contact us for the schedule covering your dates.

PREREQUISITES

- **Two years** of cumulative, full-time experience in one or more of the seven domains
- **You can sit the exam without it.** Pass, and you become an Associate of ISC2 with three years to earn the experience — so the certification is not closed to you while you get there
- Working familiarity with a control framework — NIST RMF, ISO 27001 or similar — makes the course land faster

EXAM

ISC2 CGRC — Certified in Governance, Risk and Compliance

This was CAP. ISC2 renamed the Certified Authorization Professional to CGRC in February 2023 — the same credential under a broader name.

Based on the refreshed exam outline, seven domains. Passing score **700 on a scale of 1000**. ISC2 does not publish an item count, an exam duration or domain weightings for CGRC, so we do not quote any.

Accredited to ISO/IEC 17024 by ANAB, and approved by the US Department of Defense under DoDM 8140.03.

Two years of experience — but you do not need it first. Pass the exam without the experience and ISC2 makes you an Associate, with three years to earn the two years required. The exam is not gated behind the job you are trying to get.

COURSE OVERVIEW

thinQtank® Learning offers an industry-unique training camp in which students earn the **ISC2 CGRC** — Certified in Governance, Risk and Compliance. As with all our ISC2 training experiences, the exam is delivered in the classroom.

CGRC is the authorization credential. Scoping a system, selecting and tailoring the controls, implementing them, having them assessed, getting the system authorized, and then keeping it compliant while it changes underneath you. It is the certification for the person who owns that package and has to defend it.

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

Primary course objectives:

- Build and run a security and privacy governance, risk and compliance program
- Align governance, performance management, risk management and regulatory compliance
- Define and defend the scope and boundary of a system
- Categorize a system, and justify the categorization
- Select a control framework, and tailor the controls to the system
- Obtain approval for the selected control set
- Implement security and privacy controls, and document what you did
- Prepare for assessment: evidence, artifacts and the questions that get asked
- Support the assessment or audit of controls, and respond to findings
- Assemble the authorization package and drive the authorization decision
- Establish continuous monitoring that is actually run rather than merely written
- Manage change without silently invalidating the authorization
- Handle compliance maintenance, reauthorization and decommissioning
- Apply the laws, regulations and standards that constrain all of the above

TARGET AUDIENCE

- GRC analysts, managers and architects
- Cybersecurity auditors and compliance officers
- Risk and compliance project managers, and enterprise risk managers
- Information assurance managers and ISSOs working an authorization package
- Anyone whose job is getting a system authorized and keeping it that way

WHAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO DO

- Scope a system honestly, so the boundary survives an assessor
- Select, tailor and approve controls against a framework rather than a checklist
- Assemble an authorization package that gets approved the first time
- Keep a system compliant as it changes, instead of re-earning it every year

DELIVERY METHODS

- Instructor-led training
- Immersive live-online training
- On-site and custom delivery

EXCLUSIVE LEARNING PACKAGE

- Worked authorization packages, start to finish
- Control selection and tailoring exercises against a real framework
- Assessment and audit walk-throughs, including the evidence that satisfies them
- CGRC video course
- CGRC reading plan and review guide
- CGRC certification practice exam

COURSE MODULES

01 Security and Privacy Governance, Risk Management and Compliance Program

- Topic A: Governance, and how it differs from management
- Topic B: Risk management within the program
- Topic C: Regulatory and legal compliance drivers
- Topic D: Roles, responsibilities and the people who sign
- Topic E: Program documentation and reporting

02 Scope of the System

- Topic A: Defining the system and its boundary
- Topic B: Categorization, and justifying it
- Topic C: Information types and impact levels
- Topic D: Interconnections, inheritance and shared controls
- Topic E: Documenting scope so an assessor can follow it

03 Selection and Approval of Framework, Security and Privacy Controls

- Topic A: Choosing a control framework for the system
- Topic B: Baseline selection
- Topic C: Tailoring, supplementing and compensating controls
- Topic D: Documenting the rationale for every deviation
- Topic E: Obtaining approval of the control set

04 Implementation of Security and Privacy Controls

- Topic A: Planning implementation across the system
- Topic B: Implementing technical, operational and management controls
- Topic C: Control documentation and evidence produced as you go
- Topic D: Handling controls you cannot implement as written
- Topic E: Readiness before assessment begins

05 Assessment or Audit of Security and Privacy Controls

- Topic A: Preparing for assessment, and what assessors ask for
- Topic B: Assessment methods: examine, interview, test
- Topic C: Conducting and supporting the assessment
- Topic D: Findings, weaknesses and the plan of action
- Topic E: Producing the assessment report

06 System Compliance

- Topic A: Assembling the authorization package
- Topic B: Risk determination and residual risk
- Topic C: The authorization decision, and who makes it
- Topic D: Conditions, limitations and denials
- Topic E: Communicating risk to the person who accepts it

07 Compliance Maintenance

- Topic A: Continuous monitoring that is genuinely continuous
- Topic B: Change management without invalidating the authorization
- Topic C: Ongoing assessment and reporting
- Topic D: Reauthorization triggers and timing
- Topic E: Decommissioning a system properly

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