Fortinet NSE Certification Program

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Certification	Requirements	Courses and Exams ■ Core ■ Elective	Recertification
FORTINET CERTIFIED FUNDAMENTALS Cybersecurity	1 Core Course + 1 Elective Course within 2 years	■ Introduction to the Threat Landscape ■ Getting Started in Cybersecurity ■ Technical Introduction to Cybersecurity	Complete one core and one elective course.
FORTINET CERTIFIED ASSOCIATE Cybersecurity	1 Core Course and Exam	■ FortiGate Operator	Complete the FortiGate Operator course and pass the exam.
Achieving the FCA certification recertifies your FCF if it is still active.			
FORTINET CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL Security Operations	2 Elective Exams within 2 years	■ FortiGate Administrator ■ FortiEDR ■ FortiSIEM ■ FortiAnalyzer Analyst ■ FortiSOAR Administrator	To renew your FCP in Security Operations certification, you must pass two elective exams within two years of each other to earn active status. If your FCP certification is still active, passing the core exam for the FCSS in Security Operations certification will renew it for two years from the date the exam FCSS was passed.
FORTINET CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL Network Security	1 Core Exam + 1 Elective Exam within 2 years	■ FortiGate Administrator ■ FortiManager ■ FortiClient EMS Administrator ■ FortiAnalyzer Administrator ■ Secure Wireless LAN Administrator ■ FortiAuthenticator Administrator ■ FortiSwitch ■ FortiNAC	To renew your FCP in Network Security certification, you must pass one core exam and one elective exam within two years of each other to earn active status. If your FCP certification is still active, passing the core exam or one elective exam for the FCSS in Network Security certification, or passing one of the core exams for the FCSS in Secure Access Service Edge certification, will renew it for two years from the date the FCSS exam was passed.
FORTINET CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL Public Cloud Security	1 Core Exam + 1 Elective Exam within 2 years	■ Cloud Security for AWS Administrator ■ Cloud Security for Azure Administrator ■ FortiGate Administrator ■ FortiMail ■ FortiWeb	To renew your FCP in Public Cloud Security certification, you must pass one core exam and one elective exam within two years of each other to earn active status. If your FCP certification is still active, passing the core exam for the FCSS in Public Cloud Security certification will renew it for two years from the date the FCSS exam was passed.
Passing any of the FCP exams recertifies your FCF and FCA certifications if they are still active.			
FORTINET CERTIFIED SOLUTION SPECIALIST OT Security	1 Core Exam	■ OT Security	To renew your FCSS in OT Security certification, you must pass the OT Security exam.
FORTINET CERTIFIED SOLUTION SPECIALIST Security Operations	1 Core Exam	■ Advanced Analytics	To renew your FCSS in Security Operations certification, you must pass the Advanced Analytics exam. Passing your FCSS in Security Operations will renew your FCP in Security Operations.
FORTINET CERTIFIED SOLUTION SPECIALIST Network Security	1 Core Exam + 1 Elective Exam within 2 years	■ Enterprise Firewall ■ SD-WAN ■ LAN Edge ■ Network Security Support Engineer	To renew your FCSS in Network Security certification, you must pass one core exam and one elective exam. Passing any FCSS in Network Security exam will renew your FCP in Network Security.
FORTINET CERTIFIED SOLUTION SPECIALIST Secure Access Service Edge	2 Core Exams	■ FortiSASE Administrator ■ SD-WAN	To renew your FCSS in Secure Access Service Edge certification, you must pass both core exams.
FORTINET CERTIFIED SOLUTION SPECIALIST Public Cloud Security	1 Core Exam	■ Public Cloud Security	To renew your FCSS in Public Cloud Security certification, you must pass the Public Cloud Security exam. Passing your FCSS in Public Cloud Security will renew your FCP in Public Cloud Security.
FORTINET CERTIFIED SOLUTION SPECIALIST Zero Trust Access	1 Core Exam	■ ZTA	To renew your FCSS in Zero Trust Access certification, you must pass the Zero Trust Access exam.
Passing any core FCSS exams recertifies your FCF and FCA certifications if they are still active. FCF, FCA, FCP and FCSS certifications are valid for two years from the certification grant date.			
FORTINET CERTIFIED EXPERT Cybersecurity	2 Core Exams. Practical no more than two years after written	■ Written ■ Practical	You can renew your FCX certification by taking the current FCX written exam as long as your certification has not expired. If your FCX certification has expired, you must take both the written and practical exam again.
Achieving or recertifying your FCX certification recertifies all your other Fortinet NSE certifications that are still active. FCX certification is valid for three years from the certification grant date.			