



MCSA: Messaging at a glance

Target audience:

Experienced systems administrators who are responsible for implementing, managing, and maintaining messaging on Exchange Server on Microsoft Windows 2000 or Windows Server 2003.

Typical job titles for MCSA:

- Systems Engineer
- Information Technology Engineer
- Systems Analyst
- Network Analyst
- Technical Consultant

Experience:

Candidates should have at least one year of experience in administering an Exchange Server infrastructure.

Exam requirements:

Three core exams and one messaging specialization exam.

Demonstrate your Exchange Server administration skills.

The typical IT deployment cycle consists of five phases: design, plan, implement, manage, and maintain. The MCSA: Messaging certification covers skills associated with implementing, managing, and maintaining an Exchange Server organization on the Windows platform.

The MCSA: Messaging certification is based on the established MCSA credential, which includes exams that cover a breadth and depth of platform skills. Individuals demonstrate skills appropriate to the systems administrator job role on the Windows 2000 or Windows Server 2003 platform and also validate specific expertise implementing and administering an Exchange Server infrastructure.

Microsoft Exchange Server exams are based on the skill set of an advanced IT professional with at least one year's experience administering Exchange Server environments involving multiple physical locations, mixed connection protocols, and Internet messaging. Exams include scenarios and case studies that are based on real-world business challenges, allowing you to validate your ability to create a robust messaging environment.

The benefits of messaging specialization.

IT professionals seeking to demonstrate Microsoft Exchange Server-specific knowledge and skills will benefit extensively by achieving the MCSA: Messaging certification.

Reliably validate your messaging skills.

MCSA: Messaging certification exams are developed by respected industry experts with firsthand experience administering and managing enterprise networks. IT professionals and organizations can be confident that this specialization validates in-depth Exchange Server management and maintenance expertise on the Windows platform.

Identify your focus on messaging.

By achieving MCSA: Messaging certification, you exhibit specific skills on Microsoft Exchange Server and demonstrate your ability to administer and manage a messaging infrastructure on Windows 2000 or Windows Server 2003.

Bring value to any organization.

IT professionals with the MCSA: Messaging certification demonstrate industry-recognized best practices in their job roles. Certified individuals bring valuable skills to their organizations in the creation of a robust messaging environment.

For more information, please visit the Microsoft Learning Web site or contact your local Microsoft CTEC.

www.microsoft.com/mcsa

MCSA: MESSAGING

Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator: Messaging



Microsoft® has introduced a new specialization to its Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA) certification. It identifies systems administrators who demonstrate deep, role-based expertise in the management of a Microsoft Exchange Server infrastructure on the Microsoft Windows® 2000 or Windows Server™ 2003 operating system. The MCSA: Messaging specialization provides a way for IT professionals to validate their ability to implement and administer Exchange Server organizations.

Bring value to your organization.

Organizations need proven expertise to maintain an Exchange Server infrastructure. The MCSA: Messaging certification reflects Exchange Server administration skills appropriate to the creation of a robust messaging environment. For IT professionals, the MCSA: Messaging certification demonstrates that you have administration skills on Windows Server and on Exchange Server, setting you apart from your peers.

Elevate your status as an IT professional.

The MCSA: Messaging certification identifies systems administrators who implement, manage, and maintain a messaging infrastructure using Microsoft Exchange Server. Certification candidates are systems administrators who typically have at least one year of experience administering a Microsoft Exchange Server environment on the Windows 2000 or Windows Server 2003 operating system.

The MCSA: Messaging certification demonstrates to employers, peers, and clients the value you bring to an organization. By distinguishing yourself from other IT professionals, you can elevate your career track, and enjoy enhanced recognition and job rewards.

Move ahead of the competition with quality, flexible learning solutions.

Comprehensive preparation tools such as Microsoft Official Courses, Microsoft Official Workshops, and Microsoft Press® Self-Paced Training Kits have been designed to give you the detailed technical information you need. Microsoft Certified Technical Education Centers (Microsoft CTECs) deliver these Microsoft Official Learning Products as well as other consultative services to help you gain knowledge and apply your skills. Microsoft Skills Assessments evaluate whether you are ready to implement specific business solutions and provide you with recommended ways to increase your knowledge and skills.

Microsoft Official Learning Products and Microsoft Press books that will help you prepare for the certification exams are clearly outlined on the following page, so that you can be confident in your knowledge and skills prior to putting them to the test.

MCSA: Messaging on Windows 2000

Core exams: three required

Messaging specialization exams: one required

EXAMS	MICROSOFT OFFICIAL LEARNING PRODUCTS	MICROSOFT PRESS BOOKS
Core Client exams one exam required		
Exam 70-210: ¹ Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional	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 Professional, Second Edition (Exam 70-210)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1766-X) ²
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 two exams required		
Exam 70-215: ¹ 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) ²
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) ²
Messaging specialization exam one exam required		
Exam 70-224: Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Exchange 2000 Server	Course 1572: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange 2000 (2 days) Course 2355: Upgrading from Microsoft Exchange Server 5.5 to Microsoft Exchange 2000	<i>MCSA/MCSE Training Kit: Microsoft Exchange 2000 Server Implementation and Administration</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1028-2)
Exam 70-284: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server 2003	Course 2400: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 (5 days) Workshop 2011: Troubleshooting Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 (3 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 (Exam 70-284)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1899-2)

MCSA: Messaging on Windows Server 2003

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Messaging specialization exams: one required

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Exam 70-210: ¹ Installing, Configuring, and Administering Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional	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 Professional, Second Edition (Exam 70-210)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1766-X) ²
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 two exams required		
Exam 70-290: ³ 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)	<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) ⁴
Exam 70-291: ³ 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)	<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) ⁴
Messaging specialization exams one exam required		
Exam 70-284: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server 2003	Course 2400: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 (5 days) Workshop 2011: Troubleshooting Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 (3 days)	<i>MCSA/MCSE Self-Paced Training Kit: Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 (Exam 70-284)</i> (ISBN 0-7356-1899-2)

¹ Candidates who passed Windows NT 4.0 Exams 70-067, 70-068, and 70-073 had the option to take the comprehensive Exam 70-240: Microsoft Windows 2000 Accelerated Exam for MCPs Certified on Microsoft Windows NT 4.0. By passing this exam, candidates met the following MCSE exam requirements: Exam 70-210, 70-215, 70-216, and 70-217. Exam 70-240 is no longer available.

² 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).

³ Candidates who hold MCSA or MCSE 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.

⁴ 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).