



QUALIFIED PIN ASSESSOR (QPA) TRAINING

IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR YOU?

Let us help you decide – simply answer these questions...

Do you want to:

- ☒ Learn more about the PIN Security Standard?
- ☒ Perform PCI PIN Assessments and validate an organizations compliance status?

If you answered **YES** to any of the above, then the [Qualified PIN Assessor \(QPA\)](#)¹ course is right for you!

The Qualified PIN Assessor program teaches you how to perform assessments of entities in accordance with the PCI PIN Security Requirements and Testing Procedures (PCI PIN Standard). This training course will provide you with the understanding of the requirements for the secure management, processing, and transmission of personal identification number (PIN) data during online and offline payment card transaction processing at ATMs and attended and unattended point-of-sale (POS) terminals.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?



Gain knowledge on the security controls that need to be validated as being in place to protect the transmission and processing of PINs



Achieve your renewable industry-recognized qualification



Be listed in the global directory of Qualified PIN Assessors on the PCI SSC website



Get validated to perform PCI PIN Security Assessments for organizations and attest to their compliance as required by the participating Card Brands

PLUS

- You will be recognized for your professional achievement – with a listing on the PCI SSC website
- Use exclusive QPA logo on marketing materials and correspondence
- QPA Companies receive 1 free pass to annual PCI Community Meetings

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

If you have at least three years of experience in cryptography and/or key management including these areas, consider the QPA Qualification.

- Cryptography and/or Key Management
- Cryptographic experience in securing payments
- Network Security, Systems Security
- IT auditing or security assessments
- Physical security techniques for high-security areas
- POI key-injection systems and techniques

WHAT'S COVERED IN THE COURSE?

- Validate and confirm PIN Environment scope as defined by the assessed entity.
- Select employees, facilities, systems, and system components accurately representing the assessed environment if sampling is employed
- Learn about assessment requirements and processes that need to be followed when performing an assessment
- Evaluate compensating controls as applicable.
- Learn about the reporting requirements, including the Report on Compliance (ROC) and Attestation of Compliance (AOC) that needs to be documented as part of an assessment.
- Validate and attest as to an entity's PCI PIN Security Standard compliance status.
- Understand the Assessor Quality Management (AQM) requirements your QPA Company must have in place to perform PIN Assessments.

Upon successful completion of the course, QPAs will:

- Receive a QPA certificate
- Be listed on the [PCI SSC website](#)² as an active QPA Professional



**QUALIFIED PIN ASSESSOR
(QPA) PROGRAM**

BECOME A QPA PROFESSIONAL IN THREE EASY STEPS



APPLY

Refer to the [QPA Qualification Requirements](#)³ for complete program description and requirements and to confirm that you are well suited for the program.

Apply via a Qualified QPA Assessor Company who will complete the QPA Assessor Application Process Online.



TRAIN

Take the 2-day instructor-led classroom training course and pass a multiple-choice exam.



QUALIFY

Successful candidates receive a QPA certificate and will be listed on the PCI SSC website.

Requalification will be required every year to maintain listing on the website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

These materials provide additional information on the QPA program and are available to access and download in the [PCI Document Library](#)⁴ on the PCI SSC website.

- [QPA Program Guide](#)⁵
- [QPA Qualification Requirements](#)³
- [PIN Security Requirements and Testing Procedures](#)⁶
- [PIN Report on Compliance \(ROC\) Template](#)⁷
- [PIN Attestation of Compliance \(AOC\) Template](#)⁸

LEARN MORE

1 https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/program_training_and_qualification/qpa_qualification

2 https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/assessors_and_solutions/qpa_assessors

3 [https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/Qualified_PIN_Assessor_\(QPA\)_Qualification_Requirements_V1.0.pdf](https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/Qualified_PIN_Assessor_(QPA)_Qualification_Requirements_V1.0.pdf)

4 https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/document_library

5 [https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/Qualified_PIN_Assessor_\(QPA\)_Program_Guide_V1.0.pdf](https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/Qualified_PIN_Assessor_(QPA)_Program_Guide_V1.0.pdf)

6 https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/PCI_PIN_Security_Requirements_Testing_v3_Aug2018.pdf

7 https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/PCI_PIN_v3.0_ROC_Reporting_Template.pdf

8 https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/documents/PCI_PIN_v3.0_AOC.pdf

**Maximize Knowledge.
Minimize Risk.**



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