Frequently Asked Questions

I want to learn more about the International Association of Risk and Compliance Professionals (IARCP).

The association is wholly owned by Compliance LLC, a company incorporated in Wilmington NC and offices in Washington DC, that provides risk and compliance training and executive coaching services in 36 countries.

Several business units of Compliance LLC are very successful associations that offer standard, premium, and lifetime membership, weekly or monthly updates, training, certification, Authorized Certified Trainer (ACT) programs, advocacy, and other services to their members.

The Certified Risk and Compliance Management Professional (CRCMP) designation is globally recognized. There are CRCMPs in 32 countries.
Companies and organizations like Accenture, American Express, USAA etc. consider the CRCMP a preferred certificate.

You can find more about the demand for CRCMPs at:  

Does the association offer training?

A. Distance learning and online certification programs.


To learn more, you may visit:  
www.risk-compliance-association.com/Distance_Learning_and_Certification.htm

To learn more, you may visit:
www.risk-compliance-association.com/CISRCP_Distance_Learning_and_Certification.htm

A3. Certified Risk and Compliance Management Professional in Insurance and Reinsurance CRCMP(Re)I.

To learn more, you may visit:
www.risk-compliance-association.com/CRCMP(Re)I.htm

A4. Certified Cyber (Governance Risk and Compliance) Professional CC(GRC)P.

To learn more, you may visit:
www.risk-compliance-association.com/CC(GRC)P_Distance_Learning_and_Certification.htm

B. Instructor-led training.

The association develops and maintains 4 certification programs, and tailors presentations and training programs for directors, executive managers, risk and compliance managers, internal and external auditors, data owners, process owners, consultants, suppliers, and service providers.

For instructor-led training, you may contact Lyn Spooner at:
lyn@risk-compliance-association.com

Are your training and certification programs vendor neutral?

Yes. We do not promote any products or services. We are 100% independent.

I want to learn more about the exams.

You will be given 90 minutes to complete a 35-question multiple-choice exam. You must score 70% or higher.

We do not send sample questions. If you study the presentations, you can score 100%.

How comprehensive are the presentations? Are they just bullet points?

The presentations are not bullet points, you can read them, understand, and learn. These are the official presentations we use in our instructor-led classes.

Do I need to buy books to pass the exams?

No. If you study the presentations, you can pass the exams. All exam questions are clearly answered in the presentations.
If you fail the first time, you must study more. Print the presentations and use Post-it to attach notes, like “COSO”, “Board of Directors” etc., to know where to find the answer of a question.

*Are these open book exams? Why?*

Yes, they are open book exams. Risk and compliance management is not something you have to memorize, it is something you must understand and learn.

*Do I have to sit for the exam soon after receiving the presentations?*

No. You can sit for the exam from your office or home, any time in the future. Your account never expires, and there is no restriction of any kind.

*Do I have to spend more money in the future to remain certified?*

No. Your certificates never expire. They will be valid, without the need to spend money or to sit for another exam in the future.

*Ok, the certificates never expire, but things change.*

Recertification would be a great recurring revenue stream for the association, but it would also be a recurring expense for our members. We resisted the temptation to “introduce multiple recurring revenue streams to keep business flowing”, as we were consulted. No recertification is needed for our programs.

Things change, and this is the reason you need to become (at no cost) a member of the association. You will receive our weekly newsletter with updates, alerts, and opportunities to stay current.

*Why should I get certified?*

Firms and organizations hire “fit and proper” professionals who can provide evidence that they are qualified.

Companies and organizations need assurance that employees have the knowledge and skills needed to mitigate risks, and to accept more responsibility. Supervisors and auditors ask for independent evidence that the process owners are qualified, and that the controls can operate as designed, because the persons responsible for these controls have the necessary knowledge and experience.

The marketplace is clearly demanding qualified professionals in risk and compliance management. Certified professionals enjoy industry recognition and have more and better job opportunities.

It is important to get certified and to belong to professional associations. You prove that you are somebody who cares, learns, and belongs to a global community of professionals.

*Why should I choose your certification programs?*
It is always good to do your research. You may look for other programs, using any search engine.

This is what firms and organizations usually require from experts:

1. To have a university degree.

2. To stay current, and to provide evidence about that, by obtaining professional certificates (the more, the better).

We strongly believe that we offer very good value for money, compared to all other risk and compliance management training and certification programs:

1. The all-inclusive cost of each program ($297) is very low. There is no additional cost for our programs, now or in the future, for any reason.

2. If you purchase a second program from the association, you have a $100 discount. The all-inclusive cost for your second (and each additional) program is $197. For example, if you purchase the CRCMP program at $297, you can purchase the CISRCP program at $197. Again, there is no additional cost for each program, now or in the future, for any reason.

3. There are 3 exams that are included in the cost of each program, so you do not have to spend money again if you fail.

4. No recertification is required. Your certificate never expires.

5. You become a member of the association, you get certified, and you receive weekly updates, news, and alerts.