

ANNOUNCEMENT

ARUBA CERTIFICATION PROGRAM UPDATE

This guide will provide a comprehensive overview of the new Aruba Certification Program launching November 1st, 2019. Aruba is modifying its program to bring lasting value and consistent policies to Aruba certified professionals. Aruba Certifications will recognize professional job skills and move focus away from product versions, increasing their overall value and ensuring predictable market relevance. The new program rewards certification holders for both their level of expertise and breadth of knowledge. If you currently hold an Aruba certification, be sure to review this guide to understand how this will impact your certifications.

WHAT IS CHANGING?

- Aruba is transitioning from a certification program based on versions (v6.5, v6.7, v8) to a program that requires recertification based on the date a candidate achieved the certification. This change will take effect on November 1, 2019, after which all technical career certifications will require recertification every 3 years, all Aruba product and sales certification will require recertification every 2 years.
- New certification prerequisite requirements and recertification policies:
 - The prerequisite for all professional level certifications will be the associate level certification within that certification domain.
 - Associate certifications will not have a prerequisite certification.
 - Expert level certifications will no longer require a professional level certification and will consist of a written and practical exam.
- Course and exam names will be updated to be consistent with their related certification level.
- Certification badges/logos will be updated to reflect program changes (no more versions).
- The Aruba Edge domain will launch and Aruba Edge Expert will replace Aruba Mobile First Expert.

IMPACT ON CERTIFICATION HOLDERS

Current Aruba certification holders will be assigned a transition period to re-certify their existing certification(s) based on the date they achieved the certification. Please reference the table below to identify when your certification will be set to expire. Existing certification holders will also receive an email from HPE with a 6 month, 3 month, and 1 month reminder to recertify.

Certification is older than...	Date Achieved	Expiration Time	Expiration Date
Over 4 Years	Prior to November 1, 2015	6 Months	May 1, 2020
2 – 4 Years	Nov 1, 2015 – Oct 31, 2017	1 Year	Nov 1, 2020
1 – 2 Years	Nov 1, 2017 – Oct 31, 2018	2 Years	Nov 1, 2021
0 – 1 Years *	Nov 1, 2018 – Oct 31, 2019	3 Years	Nov 1, 2022

There are FAQs by topic to address any questions you have. Please click [here](#) to access the document.

