



Certified AI Risk and Ethics Professional (CAREP)

Exam Objectives CAREP-001

About the exam

Item	Detail
Level	Intermediate
Number of questions	80. A performance-based exam: each form can carry up to 5 to 12 performance-based questions alongside the multiple-choice questions.
Delivery model	Computer adaptive in 3 stages of 28, 26, 26 questions. Your score on each stage selects the difficulty of the next, so no two candidates sit the same paper.
Time limit	120 minutes
Scoring	You need a score of 700 out of 900 to pass. Results are reported on a scale of 100 to 900, and 700 corresponds to answering 72% of the exam correctly. Harder questions carry more weight, so a score means the same thing on any route. Multiple-response items and PBQs are scored all or nothing.
Delivery	Online, fully proctored (webcam, microphone and screen).
Prerequisites	No formal prerequisite. Candidates do best with experience in AI, risk, privacy, compliance or policy and 40 to 70 hours of study.
Retakes	No waiting period after a failed first attempt. Candidates pay the exam price each time they attempt the exam. See the CertLabz Certification Retake Policy at certlabz.com/certification-retake-policy.html
Validity	3 years. Renew with 50 CEUs per cycle and the \$35 annual continuing-education fee, or by passing the current exam.
Language	English
Exam voucher	\$149 for one sitting, valid 12 months. Bundles add the study guide ebook and the All Access plan.

Domain weights

Domain	Questions
D1 AI Risk and Ethics Foundations (16%)	13

D2 Fairness, Bias and Harm (16%)

	13
D3 Transparency, Explainability and Accountability (17%)	14
D4 AI Governance and Regulation (17%)	14
D5 Risk Management Across the AI Lifecycle (17%)	13
D6 Privacy, Security and Responsible Deployment (17%)	13
Total (100%)	80

Objectives by domain

Each objective may appear as knowledge, a scenario to judge, a circuit to trace or assemble, or a number to compute. Each form can carry up to 5 to 12 performance-based questions: drag-and-drop matching, sequencing and table completion, drawn fresh each attempt. The exam does not test any vendor's SDK syntax.

D1 AI Risk and Ethics Foundations

16% 13 questions

- D1.1 AI ethics and responsible-AI principles
- D1.2 AI risk versus traditional software risk
- D1.3 The sociotechnical view
- D1.4 Human oversight and dual-use risk
- D1.5 Stakeholders and accountability
- D1.6 Proportionate, lifecycle-wide governance

D2 Fairness, Bias and Harm

16% 13 questions

- D2.1 Algorithmic bias and its origins
- D2.2 Protected characteristics and proxies
- D2.3 Disparate impact and representational harm
- D2.4 Fairness metrics and their conflicts
- D2.5 Subgroup evaluation and audits
- D2.6 Historical bias and feedback loops

D3 Transparency, Explainability and Accountability

17% 14 questions

- D3.1 Explainability and black-box concerns
- D3.2 Disclosure of AI use
- D3.3 Contestability and appeals
- D3.4 Model documentation and model cards
- D3.5 Logging and traceability
- D3.6 Audience-appropriate explanations

D4 AI Governance and Regulation

17% 14 questions

- D4.1 AI governance programs and boards
- D4.2 Risk-based regulation and the EU AI Act
- D4.3 The NIST AI Risk Management Framework
- D4.4 AI inventory and impact assessments
- D4.5 Mapping systems to applicable law
- D4.6 Vendor and deployer accountability

D5 Risk Management Across the AI Lifecycle

17% 13 questions

- D5.1 Risk from data to deployment to monitoring
- D5.2 Model drift and production monitoring
- D5.3 Incident response and rollback
- D5.4 Adversarial and edge-case testing
- D5.5 Red-teaming and human override
- D5.6 Matching evaluation to real use

D6 Privacy, Security and Responsible Deployment

17% 13 questions

- D6.1 Privacy in AI and data minimization
- D6.2 Membership inference and data leakage
- D6.3 Data poisoning, adversarial and model-theft attacks
- D6.4 Lawful basis and transparency for training data
- D6.5 High-risk deployment assessment
- D6.6 Third-party models and harm reporting

Continuing education

Renewal	Requirement
Validity	3 years from the date of issue
CEUs required per cycle	50
Annual CE fee	\$35
Alternative to CEUs	Pass the current version of the exam before the expiry date

Qualifying activities

Activity	CEUs
CertLabz labs, PBQs, courses and SkillTracker assessments	1 CEU per hour, up to 25 per cycle
Other industry certifications earned or renewed	10 to 25 each, depending on level
Conferences, webinars and training	1 CEU per hour, up to 20 per cycle
AI governance, risk, privacy or compliance work experience	3 per year, up to 9 per cycle
Teaching, mentoring, publishing or open-source contributions	Up to 15 per cycle
College courses in law, ethics, computing or policy	10 per completed course

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