Corptax Certification FAQ

What is Corptax Certification?

A professional credential for CSC Corptax® users that validates your knowledge and skills. We offer four types of certification—Corptax U.S. Compliance, Corptax International Compliance, Corptax Pass Through Compliance, and Corptax Provision. To qualify, you must pass the respective certification exam (including knowledge exam and case study).

What's in it for me?

The benefits of certification include:
- A certificate
- A CSC Corptax Certified Professional logo to use on business cards and in email signatures
- Personal growth and professional advancement
- Membership in the exclusive community of Corptax Certified Professionals, including an announcement of your successful completion on corptax.com
- Access to special events

Do I have to take classes to get certified?

No. However, we do encourage candidates to participate in classes. To ensure that all Certified Professionals use Corptax products effectively and efficiently, we offer certification preparatory training for each of the respective certification areas prior to certification exam dates.

How can I prepare for the exam?

You can prepare for the initial certification exams by completing the certification preparatory training, studying the materials, and spending time practicing in the product.

Are there costs involved with Corptax Certification?
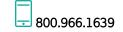
Certification exam fees per person:
- $700 per certification topic.
- Unlimited retakes on the knowledge exam. Two attempts for the case study. Each subsequent case study attempt will be charged a $50 retake fee.

Renewal requirements:
- Complete 10 CPE credits from CCP-eligible training annually.
- Pass an annual knowledge exam.
- After three years, remit applicable certification fees and pass the knowledge and case study exams, starting in 2025.

What is the exam format?

Corptax Certification exams feature multiple-choice questions that cover a broad range of topics. The exams test for understanding of important Corptax features rather than memorized information. For this reason, the exams include very few questions about limits, numbers, or items that can be easily looked up when needed.

What if I fail the exam?

You are allowed unlimited retakes of the knowledge exam and one free retake of the case study. Subsequent test attempts for the case study incur a $50 retake fee, per exam. You must pass both exams within 6 months of each other.

What if I only pass one part of the exam?

The certification exam component that met the passing score remains valid for up to six months from the exam date. The passing score will expire after six months, and you must then retake that exam component to continue the program. You are only required to retake the failed exam component and are allowed unlimited retakes of the knowledge exam and one free retake of the case study within six months of the failed exam date.

Are there prerequisites?

Because the Corptax Certification programs focus on product use and not tax law, we recommend compliance and Corptax product experience for each topic.

For how long is a certification valid?

When you successfully pass both the knowledge and case study exams, you're considered certified. That certification remains valid for three years as long as the annual requirements are met. Certified Professionals must annually complete 10 CPE credits from CCP-eligible training, an annual renewal exam, and update their directory information. Following the three-year period, the participant must re-select the program of interest, remit applicable certification fees, and successfully complete the certification knowledge exam and case study to begin a new three-year term.

Which Corptax products are covered in the Certification programs?

Certification programs use the latest generation of Corptax products. Electronic filing is included in each area that is applicable.

U.S. Compliance Certification:
- Corptax U.S. Compliance

International Compliance Certification:
- Corptax International
- Corptax Visual Org

Pass Through Compliance Certification:
- Corptax Advanced Partnership
- Corptax S Corporation

Provision Certification:
- Corptax Provision
- Corptax FIN 48