



PAYMENT APPLICATION QUALIFIED SECURITY ASSESSOR (PA-QSA)™ TRAINING

IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR YOUR TEAM?

Let us help you decide - simply answer these few questions...

Do you want to:

- Perform PCI assessments of payment applications?
- Submit thorough and accurate Reports on Validation (RoV) on behalf of your clients?

If you answered **YES** to any of the above, then the [Payment Application Qualified Security Assessor \(PA-QSA\)](#) course is right for your team! Read on!

PEOPLE ARE TALKING

Here's what other PA-QSAs have to say about their experience:

“The instructor was astonishingly knowledgeable and was able to cover many topics unrelated directly to the course content. Thank you for the great course.”

“It was a great learning experience, class was interactive and the other participants were encouraged to share their real work QSA stories which was very educational.”

“The trainer did a wonderful job of holding our attention, providing real world examples and fostering discussions that led to a deeper and more practical understanding of the material than would have happened if the course was purely theoretical.”

Through this PA-QSA training course, your staff will become expert on the requirements for PA-DSS compliance and have an impact on the consistent and proper application of security measures and controls for your clients' payment applications.

The PA-DSS applies to software vendors and others who develop payment applications that store, process, or transmit cardholder data as part of authorization or settlement, where these payment applications are sold, distributed, or licensed to third parties.

Traditional PCI Data Security Standard compliance may not apply directly to payment application vendors since most vendors do not store, process, or transmit cardholder data. However, since these payment applications are used by their customers to store, process, and transmit cardholder data, and they are required to be PCI DSS compliant; payment applications should facilitate their customers' PCI DSS compliance.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOUR STAFF?



QSAs attending the course and passing the final exam are validated PA-QSAs authorized to perform payment application assessments and generate the final Report on Validation (RoV).

PLUS

- Your team will be recognized for their professional achievement - with listing on PCI website
- Use exclusive PA-QSA logo on marketing materials and correspondence
- As a PA-QSA Company, your organization gets a FREE pass to annual PCI Community Meetings
- Delivered to their inbox: *Assessor Update* - monthly newsletter

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The PA-QSA course is for current QSAs.

Typical job titles include but are not limited to: Practice Lead Security Assessor, Senior Security Consultant, Information Security Analyst, Information Security Auditor.

WHAT'S COVERED IN THE COURSE?

This training program covers the PA-DSS requirements, sub-requirements, and associated testing procedures in-depth including:

- PCI industry overview
- PCI thresholds and brand-specific compliance requirements
- PCI code review and analysis
- PCI hardware and communications infrastructure
- PCI reporting

Upon completion of the course, your team will be able to:

- Perform a PA-DSS assessment
- Follow the PA-DSS Requirements and Security Audit Procedures
- Produce a Report on Validation (RoV)

WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE BEGINNING

Read [PA-QSA Qualification Requirements](#).

Skills your staff will need include:

- Must be a QSA and have completed at least two Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) assessments.
- Have substantial application security knowledge and experience conducting application and code reviews, and/or demonstrated competence in cryptographic techniques.

It is recommended that your team familiarize themselves with the following publications available on the PCI SSC website:

- PA-DSS Requirements and Security Assessment Procedures
- PA-QSA Qualification Requirements
- PA-DSS and Mobile Applications FAQs

BECOME A PA-QSA COMPANY IN FOUR EASY STEPS

- 1 Apply as a firm for qualification in the program
- 2 Provide documentation outlined in the [Qualification Requirements for PA-QSAs](#)
- 3 Qualify individual employees, through training and testing, to perform assessments
- 4 Execute an agreement with the PCI Security Standards Council governing performance



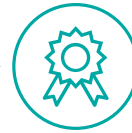
COURSE DELIVERY

Learn from the comfort of home or office 24/7/365 with convenient, self-paced six-hour eLearning course.



EXAM

Students are required to complete the coursework and take and pass a final exam. The qualification exam is administered through local Pearson VUE Testing Center.



QUALIFICATION

Earns six (6) Continuing Professional Education (CPE) hours.
Individual qualification is tied to PA-QSA company.
Re-qualification is required annually via eLearning training and exam.



LOOKING TO EXPAND YOUR PA-QSA CERTIFICATION?

Consider [Point to Point Encryption Qualified Security Assessor \(P2PE-QSA\)](#) course

**Maximize Knowledge.
Minimize Risk.**



For more information, please visit our [PA-QSA page on the website](#), call us at: +1-781-876-6267, or email us at: PA-DSS@pcisecuritystandards.org.