



APICS Re-Certification Program

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CPIM Certification Maintenance History

- August, 1997 BOD approved CPIM/CFPIM Certification Maintenance Program
- Five year timeline
- System of points – 75 for CPIM / 100 for CFPIM



Recertification Program Introduction

- In this competitive job market, it is more important than ever for individuals to have APICS certification.
- This program has been developed as a service to our members.
- A new certification product, the APICS Certified Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) Recertification Exam, is being developed to help designees re-certify.
- Candidates with expired CPIM designations can renew their certification by taking only one exam.
- This is a limited time offer and will not be positioned as an alternative to certification maintenance.



About the Exam

- Exam consists of 120 multiple choice items
- Includes 30 questions from each of the following exams:
 - Detailed Scheduling and Planning (DSP)
 - Master Planning of Resources (MPR)
 - Execution and Control of Operations (ECO)
 - Strategic Management of Resources (SMR)
- No un-scored items
- Three hour duration
- Scheduled to launch In October at APICS Conference
- Available only through December 31, 2011



Exam Delivery

- International Recertification Paper & Pencil exam dates are:
 - December 4, 2010
 - March 12, 2011
 - December 3, 2011
- Computer-based testing will be available on-demand in North America
- Group testing will not be available



Who Qualifies?

- Available to individuals whose CPIM credentials have expired and can only re-certify by taking all five CPIM exams again
- Provides candidates with a one time opportunity to demonstrate they still have mastery of the knowledge required to be a CPIM
- Candidates must take the exam before December 31, 2011



Eligibility and Cost

- Candidates will be required to go through an eligibility process that will verify they were previously certified.
- Applications will be reviewed and candidates will be notified if they qualify.
- Once their application is approved they will be able to register online or by phone with Pearson VUE.
- There is a non-refundable application fee of \$150.
- The cost of the exam is \$425 for members and \$575 for nonmembers. There is an exam retake fee of \$350.



How to Prepare

- The exam content outline as defined in the 2010 APICS *CPIM Exam Content Manual* (ECM) for each of the APICS CPIM modules included will apply to the re-certification exam.
- APICS and Datachem will develop a skill gap assessment tool to determine an individual's strengths and weaknesses to assist with exam preparation (available June or July of 2010).
- Study Notes Series by Brian Wilcox will also be a helpful resource.



Certification Maintenance

- Once an individual passes the exam, their APICS CPIM certified date will be reset.
- Their new maintenance deadline will be five years from the exam date.
- Individuals with expired Certified Fellow Production and Inventory Management (CFPIM) credentials must re-apply using the established CFPIM application process once their CPIM is reinstated which can be located at the following URL:

http://www.apics.org/NR/rdonlyres/6D4755DF-984F-450D-9FA2-C0BF04A84E7C/0/09_CFPIM_Application.pdf