

# VMware Certified Advanced Professional - Data Center Virtualization Design 2021 (VCAP-DCV Design)

## CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS INTRO

Certification Requirements hold value because they signify that you have undergone the necessary lessons, training, seminars, and hands-on experiences that are required to fill the job.

### LEARN MORE

We welcome you to visit the official VCAP-DCV Design 2021 certification webpage:

<https://www.vmware.com/education-services/certification/vcap-dcv-design.html>

## CERTIFICATION SUPPORT

If you need help with a Certification Path or with Certification Requirements, please contact the Certification Support Team at: [certification@vmware.com](mailto:certification@vmware.com)

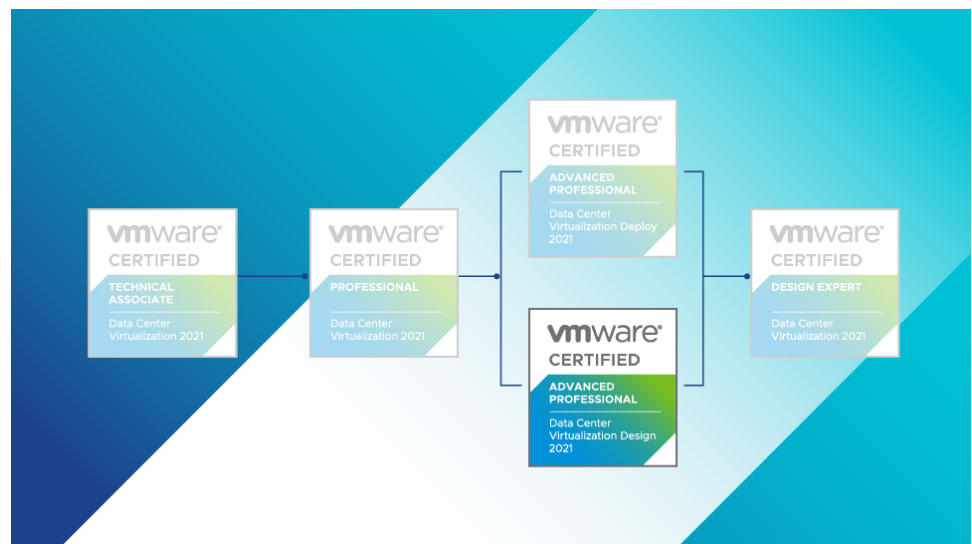
## CANDIDATE AGREEMENT

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## CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

Earning this certification validates that you have advanced knowledge of end-user computing environments and components and can recommend and design VMware solutions to meet specific goals and requirements. This industry-recognized certification improves your credibility among your peers and proves that you have a deep understanding of data center virtualization design principles and methodologies.

In this document we show the different certification paths available to earn the VCAP-DCV Design 2021 certification, depending on what certifications you already hold. You may follow this guide as a learning resource of what is required of you to earn this certification.



## Certification Path Requirements

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### Certification path if you hold no VCAP certifications

1. (Required) Earn the VCP-DCV 2021 (Or hold a VCP-DCV 2020)

[VCP-DCV 2021](#)

2. (Recommended) Attend ONE of the required training courses

[VMware vSphere: Design \[V7\]](#)

3. (Required) Review and study the topics and objectives listed in the [Exam Guide](#) and pass the qualifying exam:

[Advanced Design VMware vSphere 7.x \(3V0-21.21\)](#)

150 Minutes 60 Questions \$450 USD

[Schedule Exam](#)

### Certification path if you hold a VCAP-DCV Design 2020

1. Option 1 - Attend ONE of the training courses in 2021

[VMware vSphere: Design \[V7\]](#)

2. Option 2 - Review and study the topics and objectives listed in the [Exam Guide](#) and pass the qualifying exam:

[Advanced Design VMware vSphere 7.x \(3V0-21.21\)](#)

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## Certification Path Requirements

Certification path if you hold a VCAP7-CMA Design or Newer OR VCAP-CMA Deploy 2018 or Newer OR VCAP7-DTM Design or Newer OR VCAP6-DTM Deploy or Newer OR VCAP6-NV Deploy or Newer OR VCAP-NV Design 2019 or Newer

1. (Required) Earn the VCP-DCV 2021 (Or hold a VCP-DCV 2020)

[VCP-DCV 2021](#)

2. (Recommended) Attend ONE of the required training courses

[VMware vSphere: Design \[V7\]](#)

3. (Required) Review and study the topics and objectives listed in the [Exam Guide](#) and pass the qualifying exam:

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Certification path if hold a VCAP6.5-DCV Design or Newer OR VCAP-DCV Deploy 2018 or Newer

1. (Recommended) Attend ONE of the training courses

[VMware vSphere: Design \[V7\]](#)

2. (Required) Review and study the topics and objectives listed in the [Exam Guide](#) and pass the qualifying exam:

[Advanced Design VMware vSphere 7.x \(3V0-21.21\)](#)

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## Certification Path Requirements

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Certification path if you hold a VCAP6-DCV Design or Older  
OR VCAP6-DCV Deploy or Older

1. (Required) Earn the VCP-DCV 2021 (Or hold a VCP-DCV 2020)

[VCP-DCV 2021](#)

2. (Recommended) Attend ONE of the required training courses

[VMware vSphere: Design \[V7\]](#)

3. (Required) Review and study the topics and objectives listed in the [Exam Guide](#) and pass the qualifying exam:

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## FAQs

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**If I earn VCAP-DCV Design 2021 certification and don't already have VCP-DCV 2021, will I receive it as well?**

No. Please see this [blog post](#) for an explanation of this policy.

**Can I use my VCP-DCV 2021 as a prerequisite for the VCAP-DCV Design 2021 Certification?**

Yes, but it is only required if your VCAP-DCV is 4 versions or older OR if you hold a VCAP in a different track that is 3 or less versions old.

**How do I share my VCAP-DCV Design 2021 badge?**

When you've earned a VMware badge, you will receive an email notification alerting you to claim your badge. When you accept your badge, you'll be brought immediately into a sharing workflow that allows you to share to Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, embed in a personal website, or share over email.

**What are the benefits of a badge?**

- A single source that combines your credentials and provides a complete overview of your skills.
- Digital badges allow for you to easily share your accomplishments in social media.
- Provides employers with easy, valid verification of your VMware credentials.