VMware Certified Distinguished Expert

Q. What is changing with the VCDX program?

A. We are strategically expanding the iconic program from its traditional focus on design/architect roles to welcome a broader range of elite VMware Cloud Foundation (VCF) specialists. To reflect this expanded scope, the credential is being renamed VMware Certified Distinguished Expert (VCDX). The program now offers role-based expert validation across three distinct paths: Administrator, Architect, and Support.

Q. Why was the program expanded to include Administrators and Support?

A. Today's private cloud environments require deep operational and operational-support excellence, not just design strategy. With 95% of IT decision-makers citing a cloud skills gap, organizations desperately need elite leadership across every phase of the VCF platform lifecycle. Expanding VCDX recognizes top-tier mastery across all these critical operational pillars.

Q. How does this transition impact current VCDX holders?

A. Existing VCDX holders retain their VMware Certification Design Expert status. To update to the new VMware Certified Distinguished Expert Credential, please visit the VMware Certification page for further details.

Q. Where can I find the public directory of current VCDX holders?

A. The public VCDX directory previously under VMware is no longer available. To align with global data privacy and protection policies, Broadcom does not publish a public list of certification holders. Individuals can verify their certification status directly by sharing their official digital badge or transcript via Credly or the Certification Manager portal.

Q. Where can I find training resources to prepare for my VCDX track?

A. You can download the VCF 9.x Quickstart Learning Guide to view instructor-led courses, on-demand modules, and exam resources. If you are an eligible Partner or VCF Full Platform customer, you can access your training directly via Learning@Broadcom on the Broadcom Support Portal.

Q. What VCDX paths are available now?

A. Two separate paths are available, one for existing VCDX credential holders and one for new candidates.

For existing **VMware Certified Design Experts**, renewal is available by completing the below pre-requisites.

- VCP-VCF Architect 2V0-13.25
- VCAP-VCF VKS 3V0-24.25
- **Elective: Any 2 of the following:**
  - VCAP-VCF Automation 3V0-21.25
  - VCAP-VCF Operations 3V0-22.25
  - VCAP-VCF Storage 3V0-23.25
  - VCAP-VCF Networking 3V0-25.25
- VCAP-VCF Architect 3V0-12.26

For new **VMware Certified Distinguished Experts** candidates applying for the first time, the VCDX Architect is available for application through the website.

Q. What is 4V0-01.26 VCDX - Architect (Candidate) and the eligibility requirements to register?

A. 4V0-01.26 VCDX - Architect (Candidate) on the Pearson VUE registration site is a registration fee for new candidates only. Prior to applying for VCDX Architect candidacy (and paying the **non-refundable** $250 fee), ensure you have your design documents ready for submission. If you have any questions, please reach out to VCDX.pdl@broadcom.com.

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