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Originally aimed at webmasters the CIW certifications and training have outgrown that specialisation and currently offer certification and training in many information technology areas, including security. There are more than 800 CIW authorised training providers in 64 countries. CIW training and certifications are recognised by Intel, Novell, IBM and Hewlett-Packard among others.

CIW offers two security qualifications – CIW Security Professional and CIW Security Analyst.

CIW Security Professional

The CIW Security Professional is an entry-level certification and covers the following three areas:

1. Network security and firewalls	22 questions
2. Operating systems security	16 questions
3 Security auditing, attacks and threat analysis	22 questions
Total number of exam questions	60

The prerequisites for the CIW Security Professional designation are the CIW Certification Agreement and the CIW Associate certification. Only individuals who hold the CIW Associate certification may register for and attempt the CIW Security Professional examination. The examination itself consists of 60 multiple-choice questions and is to be completed in 75 minutes. Both Prometric and VUE testing centres offer CIW examinations. Training for the CIW Security Professional designation is available in self-study and instructor-led forms.

CIW Security Analyst

CIW Security Professionals who also hold any one of the following qualifications may apply for the CIW Security Analyst designation:

- Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA)
- Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE) NT 4
- Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE) 2000
- Certified Novell Engineer (CNE) 4
- Certified Novell Engineer (CNE) 5
- Cisco Certified Network Professional (CCNP)
- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA)
- Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert (CCIE)
- Linux Professional Institute (LPI) Level 2
- SAIR Level 2 LCE

CIW Security Analyst designation is a proof of both general computer security knowledge examined in CIW Security Professional examination and vendor-specific skills examined under particular vendor's certification programme. CIW Security Analyst certification may be considered a practitioner-level qualification.