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ASIS International, previously known as the American Society for Industrial Security, was founded in 1955 and has more than 33,000 members and 208 chapters worldwide. ASIS is the world's leading organisation of security management and physical security professionals. In addition to professional conferences, seminars and exhibitions ASIS also maintains a respected professional certification program. Since information security also includes physical security, ASIS and its qualifications are included in this handbook. ASIS International offers three qualifications in security which are introduced on the following pages:

- Certified Protection Professional (CPP)
- Physical Security Professional (PSP)
- Professional Certified Investigator (PCI)

Certified Protection Professional (CPP)

CPP is one of the most respected and recognised qualifications in security management and physical security. Before being allowed to take the CPP examination CPP candidates have to satisfy the following requirements: have at least nine (9) years of full-time security experience with at least three (3) years in a position responsible for security or hold a recognised Bachelor's degree and have seven (7) years of experience. Provided the candidates meet experience criteria have no criminal convictions they can register for and take the CPP 200 multiple-choice questions examination which covers the following seven domains:

1. Security management	38%
2. Investigations	15%
3. Legal aspects	7%
4. Personnel security	9%
5. Physical security	19%
6. Protection of sensitive information	6%
7. Emergency management	6%

Certified Protection Professionals must adhere to ASIS's Professional Responsibility Code as a condition of certification. ASIS examination fees range from US\$ 200 to US\$ 350 depending on the examination location and ASIS membership status. For more information on the CPP designation, location of examination centres and CPP exam preparation resources please visit ASIS International online at www.asisonline.org.

Physical Security Professional (PSP)

Those professionals who specialise or wish to specialise in physical security should consider ASIS International’s Physical Security Professional qualification. Requirements for PSP certification include the following:

- Five (5) years of experience in the physical security field
- High school diploma or general education equivalent
- The applicant must not have been convicted of any criminal offence that would reflect negatively on the security profession, ASIS, or the certification program

The PSP examination covers the following three domains in a multiple-choice questions format:

1. Physical security assessment	41%
2. Selection of integrated physical security measures	24%
3. Implementation of physical security measures	35%

The PSP examination fees range from US\$ 300 to US\$ 350 depending on the location of the examination centre and candidate’s ASIS membership status. Like with other ASIS qualifications, Physical Security Professionals must adhere to the ASIS Professional Responsibility Code. For up to date information on the PSP certification program please visit ASIS International website at www.asisonline.org.

Professional Certified Investigator (PCI)

The Professional Certified Investigator qualification from the ASIS International is targeted at security professionals who specialise in investigation – case management, evidence collection, and case presentation. The PCI examination therefore covers the following three domains using a multiple-choice questions format:

1. Case management	40%
2. Evidence collection	40%
3. Case presentation	20%

Before being allowed to take the PCI examination the candidates must satisfy the following pre-qualification requirements:

- Nine (9) years of investigations experience, with at least three (3) years in case management; or
- An earned Bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education and seven (7) years of investigations experience, at least three (3) years of which shall have been in case management
- The applicant must not have been convicted of any criminal offence that would reflect negatively on the security profession, ASIS, or the certification program.

ASIS Professional Responsibility Code requirements apply. The PCI examination fees range from US\$ 300 to US\$ 350 depending on the ASIS membership status of candidates. For more information regarding the PCI qualification please visit ASIS at www.asisonline.org.