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Privacy Manager Certification

Examination Blueprint for the Certified Information Privacy Manager (CIPM)



What the blueprint tells you:

The examination blueprint indicates the range, or minimum and maximum number, of items that are included on the CIPM examination from the major domains and topics of the Body of Knowledge.

How to use the blueprint to guide your exam preparation:

Questions may be asked from any of the listed topics under each domain. Use the minimum and maximum ranges to help you determine which domains and topics will be represented to a lesser or greater degree on the exam.

Why don't all the numbers add up?

The number of questions listed for each topic represents a range. Within a domain, a minimum number of items may be chosen from one topic, while a maximum number of items may be chosen from another topic. Regardless, the total number of questions within each domain will not fall below the minimum or exceed the maximum amount.

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