

PyCrafters™ Exam – Candidate Guide

The **PyCrafters™ Exam Candidate Guide** provides essential information for students preparing to take the PyCrafters™ final exam. It outlines the exam format, scoring, and delivery method, along with policies on retakes, accommodations, and exam security.

The guide also details the Code of Conduct, accessibility support, and credentialing process, ensuring that candidates understand what to expect before, during, and after the exam. By following this guide, students can confidently approach the exam and achieve recognition of their skills with the PyCrafters™ Certificate and digital badge.



Exam Overview

- **Exam Length:** 45 minutes
- **Format:** 32 single-select, multiple-select, interactive and short coding tasks
- **Domains:**
 - Domain 1: Introduction to Computers & Programming
 - Domain 2: Python Fundamentals
 - Domain 3: Visual & Interactive Programming
 - Domain 4: Projects, Teamwork, & Communication
- **Scoring:** Each item is worth a maximum of 10 points; maximum score = 320 points
- **Passing Levels:**
 - Explorer: 70% – 85% (224–272 points)
 - Adventurer: 85% – 100% (≥ 273 points)
- **Delivery:** Secure online delivery through the TestNow™ platform (<https://pythoninstitute.org/test-now>)
- **Proctoring:** AI-proctored, teacher-proctored, or hybrid supervision

Candidate Identification

- All candidates must present a valid school ID or government-issued ID before starting the exam.
- The name on the ID must match the registration name.
- Exams taken without proper identification may be invalidated.

Testing Environment

- Exams must be taken in a **quiet, well-lighted room** free from distractions.
- Exams must be completed on a single monitor and in **Full Screen mode**.
- Unauthorized materials (notes, devices, browsers, apps) are strictly prohibited.

Exam Policies

- **Passing Score:** Minimum of 70% (224 points) to pass.
- **Retake Policy:** If a candidate fails the exam, a 7-day waiting period is required before the retake.
- **Expiration:** The PyCrafters™ credential does not expire; it is a lifetime achievement certificate.



Accessibility & Accommodations

- The exam follows **ADA and WCAG 2.1 accessibility guidelines**.
- Accommodations (extended time, alternative formats) are available upon request and approval.
- Requests should be submitted using the official **Accommodation of Disabilities form**:
<https://pythoninstitute.org/accommodations>

Code of Conduct & Security

Candidates must respect the following Code of Honor and security guidelines throughout and after the exam session:

- The test candidate must work entirely alone on the test, and all solutions must be their own work.

- The test candidate must not share their solutions or any information about the exam contents with anyone.
- The test candidate must not use a false identity or take the test in somebody else's name.
- The test candidate must not engage in any unfair activities that may dishonestly improve their results or influence somebody else's results.

Prohibited behaviors include (but are not limited to):

- Copying, publishing, selling, or distributing exam content in any form.
- Using “brain dump” materials or any unauthorized publication of exam items.
- Using falsified identities, documents, or certificates.
- Accessing unauthorized materials, notes, or devices during the exam session.
- Exiting the Full Screen exam interface or using multiple monitors.
- Recording or attempting to reconstruct exam questions.
- Any other behavior that compromises the confidentiality or integrity of the exam.

Violations may result in **score invalidation, revocation of certification, or bans from future exams.**

Certification & Digital Badges

- Candidates who pass the exam will receive an official **PyCrafters™ Certificate**
- Digital credentials (Explorer or Adventurer badge) will be issued via **Credly**.
- Certificates and badges can be shared online (LinkedIn, school portfolios, etc.).

Contact & Support

For any issues regarding exam registration, accommodations, or results, please contact the **OpenEDG Python Institute** through the support page: <https://pythoninstitute.org/contact>.

