





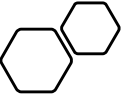
# So, You Want to be an NCP?

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## Agenda

- Why become an NCP?
- What is included on the exam?
- How do I register for the exam?
- What are the dates and deadlines for the exam?
- What preparation resources are available?
- Your Questions!



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## Why become an NCP?

- The National Check Payments (NCP) Certification Program recognizes the elevated level of payments acumen among payment professionals.
- Through the certification process, National Check Professionals (NCPs) will demonstrate a working knowledge of every significant aspect of the check payment system including products and operations, relevant rules and laws that govern checks, industry standards and fraud and risk mitigation considerations.




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### NCP Exam Information




3-hour computer-based exam



120 multiple choice questions (100 scored)



Nationwide test centers and proctors



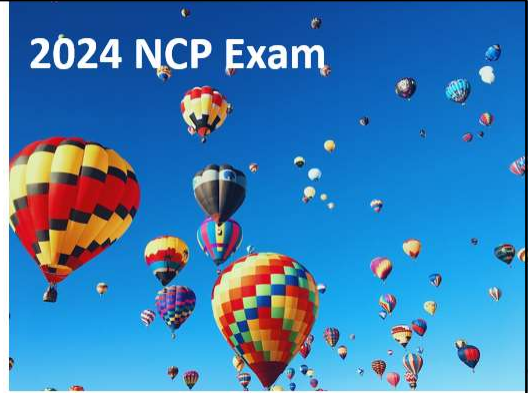
Online proctoring

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## How do I register for the exam?

- You must register for the exam through ECCHO
  - <https://www.theclearinghouse.org/eccho>
  - Includes Question of the day beginning January 2nd
- Exam Window: 2024
  - April 20<sup>th</sup> – May 11<sup>th</sup>
- Exam fees:
  - \$450 - ECCHO members and sponsoring organizations
  - \$575 - Non-members

## 2024 NCP Exam



### 2024 NCP Exam Registration is Open!

Join the elite team of **National Check Professionals!**  
NCPs are recognized as

1. Expert Payment Professionals
2. Individuals whose education benefits them, their employers, and their customers
3. Experts who are able to resolve complex check problems reducing the potential of risk within their organization

**Register Today!**

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## What is included on the exam?



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## Preparation Resources (attachments)

- NCP Jump Start Reading Program



This reading list is designed to give you a head start on studying for the NCP certification exam. Completing this list will take about 18 hours—more if you really study each document. This list is designed to start your study and is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all items needed to pass the exam. For additional reading materials to keep you on the path to NCP [click here](#).

- NCP Roadmap



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## PaymentsFirst Training

The screenshot shows the PaymentsFirst website interface. At the top right is a "Member Login" button. Below it is a navigation menu with links for ABOUT, RISK & COMPLIANCE, EDUCATION, MEMBERSHIP, PUBLICATIONS, SUPPORT SERVICES, SOLUTIONS, PAYMENTS, and CONFERENCE. A dropdown menu is open under "EDUCATION", showing "CALENDAR", "PALS LOGIN", and "CERTIFICATIONS". A red arrow points to "CERTIFICATIONS". Below this is a section titled "PaymentsFirst Certification Training" with a "Select Tabs Below" button. At the bottom, a list of certification options is shown: AAP, APRP, NCP (highlighted with a red arrow), and EPP Certificate. To the right of this list is the NCP logo.

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## PaymentsFirst Training

- NCP Exam Prep Webinar Series (January-March)
  - \$1,095 (PaymentsFirst members) \$2,190 (NonMembers)
- 12 webinars and Open Forum Q&A Sessions
- 12 Webinar Training Sessions including:
  - Check Payments and Check Processing - *January 16*
  - Check Products - *January 23*
  - Regulations - Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) 3 & 4 - *January 30*
  - Regulations - Regulation CC Part 1 - *February 6* and Regulations - Regulation CC Part 2 - *February 8*
  - Standards and Formats - *February 20*
  - Image Exchange Rules and Agreements: ECCHO Rules - *February 27*
  - Image Exchange Rules and Agreements: Fed OC 3 - *February 29*
  - Image Exchange: Processes - *March 5*
  - Exceptions - Returns and Adjustments Part 1: Overview & FRB - *March 12*
  - Exceptions - Returns and Adjustments Part 2: ECCHO & Treasury Check Reclamations - *March 14*
  - Fraud, Risk and Risk Mitigation - *March 19*
- 1 Virtual Open Forum - *March 26*
- Virtual Study Buddy



**PaymentsFirst Review Course Training: \$395 (2 Days)**  
 April 10 – 11 *Dates Subject to Change*

**Additional Study Materials:**  
 Flash Card: \$120  
 Check Pro: \$100

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## Time for Your Questions



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