



# Managing Successful Programmes (MSP®) – 5<sup>th</sup> edition

## Foundation to Practitioner

*Weekday course: Foundation - 3 days. Practitioner exam preparation - 2 days.*

*Weekend course: Foundation - 2 days. Practitioner exam preparation - 2 days.*

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## Overview

Programme Management is a vital component in the delivery of strategic / business initiative and change. Delivering the right benefits and outcomes from change requires a structured framework to co-ordinate, communicate, align, manage and control the activities involved.

Programme Management provides this framework through organisation, processes, inputs, outputs and a focus on strategic thinking.

MSP 5<sup>th</sup> edition is an established best practice programme management framework, designed to align programmes and projects to organizational strategy and enable enterprise agility. MSP focuses on the delivery of outcomes of benefit, while mitigating risk and actively engaging stakeholders.

MSP is a globally recognised programme management methodology from AXELOS Limited who provide a range of best management practice guides, including PRINCE2®, PRINCE2 Agile®, MoP® and P3O®.

## Objectives

### Foundation

The Foundation course introduces the MSP method and terminology to ensure participants understand the MSP guidance well enough to work in a team to deliver or manage a programme within an environment supporting MSP.

Participation will enable you to:

- Improve your mastery of best practice programme management
- Establish appropriate programme governance structures that effectively control the work involved, thereby ensuring the creation of value
- Design programmes using incremental cycles that allow for multimodal delivery
- Effectively engage stakeholders by providing a clear vision and full transparency around the achievement of programme objectives and expected benefits

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## Who should attend?

The courses are designed as followed:

- **Foundation** – for individuals who:
  - Are interested in learning how to manage multiple projects and programmes successfully.
  - Wish to gain a greater understanding of the MSP guidance to work more effectively in large scale project or programme environments.
- **Practitioner** - for project, programme and business change managers who want to apply the MSP framework to real-life scenarios.

## Prerequisites

### Foundation

To gain the most benefit from participation in this course, it is recommended that participants have a minimum of two years project management experience.

There is no pre-course work for this course.

### Practitioner

To be eligible to sit the MSP Practitioner exam, participants must have attended the Foundation course and obtained a pass in the MSP Foundation exam (5<sup>th</sup> Edition).

**Please note that to ensure your outcomes are achieved this course requires some pre-course preparation.**

This material will be sent out 2 weeks in advance of the course (or at time of booking if booking less than 2 weeks prior to course commencement).

It is a requirement that participants familiarise themselves with this material before commencing this course.

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### Practitioner

The Practitioner course prepares participants to take and pass the MSP Practitioner Exam.

The Practitioner exam is intended to assess whether the candidate can demonstrate sufficient ability to apply and tailor the MSP programme management.

A successful Practitioner candidate should, with suitable direction, be able to start applying the framework to a real programme but may not be sufficiently skilled to do this appropriately for all situations. Their individual programme management expertise, the complexity of the programme, and the support provided for the use of MSP in their work environment will all be factors that impact what the practitioner can achieve.

The course includes review, consolidation of concepts and exam questions for the Practitioner level certification.

**Please note that the Practitioner course is an EXAM PREPARATION COURSE and focuses on the application of MSP to prepare candidates for the Practitioner examination.**

## Key Topics

Participants will be provided with in-depth knowledge of:

- The MSP principles, which are continuously applied to achieve value from programme management
- The MSP themes, which provide the governance required to ensure the programme is aligned to the principles
- The MSP processes, which enable you to manage a programme in an orderly, yet flexible and adaptable way

Comprehensive preparation for certification exams is also provided.

## Course Delivery

Trainers of these courses will use a practical delivery approach to provide participants with a 'hands-on', multi-faceted and challenging learning experience. Understanding and recall techniques will be used to provide participants with a solid comprehension of MSP.

Courses are facilitated by our expert team and can be conducted onsite or at our premises. All courses can be customised to suit your requirements.

*Note: Weekend courses are conducted over two full weekends.*

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## Development Units

Participants who have been awarded the Project Management Professional (PMP)<sup>®</sup> credential by the Project Management Institute (PMI)<sup>®</sup> are eligible to earn PDUs for their participation in these courses as follows:

### – Foundation

**Weekday (3 days): 21 PDUs**

*15 Technical, 3 Strategic and Business Management and 3 Leadership*

**Weekend (2 days): 18 PDUs**

*14 Technical, 2 Strategic and Business Management and 2 Leadership*

### – Practitioner

(2 days): **14 PDUs**

*12 Technical, 1 Strategic and Business Management and 1 Leadership*

Participants holding any of the Project Management accreditations (CPPP/CPPM/CPPD) are eligible to earn **20 CPDs** for each of these short courses.

## Take<sup>2</sup> Re-sit Exam Option

PeopleCert provide you with the opportunity to sit your exam knowing that if the outcome is not what you expected, you could have another attempt, at a fraction of the exam price.

[Click here](#) for more on the Take<sup>2</sup> option.

## Certification

### Foundation

The Foundation course includes the MSP Foundation Examination which consists of:

- 60 multiple choice questions
- 60% pass mark
- 1-hour duration
- Closed book

**Weekday courses:** Exam taken on the afternoon of day 3 of the Foundation course.

**Weekend courses:** Exam taken on the morning of day 1 of the Practitioner course.

### Practitioner

The Practitioner course includes the MSP Practitioner Examination and consists of:

- Multiple choice questions, based on a programme scenario
- 58 questions per paper (including 6 matching questions worth 3 marks each), 70 marks available in total
- 60% pass mark
- 2.5 hours' duration
- Open book (*Managing Successful Programmes 5<sup>th</sup> Edition* guide only)

The exam is taken on the afternoon of Day 2 of the Practitioner course.



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