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# Official (ISC)2 Guide To The SSCP CBK, Second Edition ((ISC)2 Press)



## Synopsis

The (ISC)²® Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP®) certification is one of the most important credentials an information security practitioner can have. Having helped thousands of people around the world obtain this distinguished certification, the bestselling Official (ISC)² Guide to the SSCP CBK® has quickly become the book that many of today's security practitioners depend on to attain and maintain the required competence in the seven domains of the (ISC)² CBK. Picking up where the popular first edition left off, the Official (ISC)² Guide to the SSCP CBK, Second Edition brings together leading IT security tacticians from around the world to discuss the critical role that policy, procedures, standards, and guidelines play within the overall information security management infrastructure. Offering step-by-step guidance through the seven domains of the SSCP CBK, the text:

- Presents widely recognized best practices and techniques used by the world's most experienced administrators
- Uses accessible language, bulleted lists, tables, charts, and diagrams to facilitate a clear understanding
- Prepares you to join the thousands of practitioners worldwide who have obtained (ISC)² certification

Through clear descriptions accompanied by easy-to-follow instructions and self-assessment questions, this book will help you establish the product-independent understanding of information security fundamentals required to attain SSCP certification. Following certification it will be a valuable guide to addressing real-world security implementation challenges.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Harold F. Tipton, currently an independent consultant, was a past president of the International Information System Security Certification Consortium and a director of computer security for Rockwell International Corporation for about 15 years. He initiated the Rockwell computer and data security program in 1977 and then continued to administer, develop, enhance, and expand the program to accommodate the control needs produced by technological advances until his retirement from Rockwell in 1994. Tipton has been a member of the Information Systems Security Association (ISSA) since 1982. He was the president of the Los Angeles chapter in 1984, and the president of the national organization of ISSA (1987–1989). He was added to the ISSA Hall of Fame and the ISSA Honor Role in 2000. Tipton was a member of the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST), the Computer and Telecommunications Security Council, and the National Research Council Secure Systems Study Committee (for the National Academy of Science). He received his BS in engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy and his MA in personnel administration from George Washington University; he also received his certificate in computer science from the University of California, Irvine. He is a certified information system security professional (CISSP), ISSAP, & ISSMP. He has published several papers on information security issues for Auerbach Publications (Handbook of Information Security Management, Data Security Management, and Information Security Journal), National Academy of Sciences (Computers at Risk), Data Pro Reports, Elsevier, and ISSA (Access). He has been a speaker at all the major information security conferences including the Computer Security Institute, the ISSA Annual Working Conference, the Computer Security Workshop, MIS Conferences, AIS Security for Space Operations, DOE Computer Security Conference, National Computer Security Conference, IIA Security Conference, EDPAA, UCCEL Security & Audit Users Conference, and Industrial Security Awareness Conference. He has conducted/participated in information security seminars for (ISC)2, Frost & Sullivan, UCI, CSULB, System Exchange Seminars, and the Institute for International Research. He participated in the Ernst & Young video "Protecting Information Assets." He is currently serving as the editor of the Handbook of Information Security Management (Auerbach). He chairs the (ISC)2 CBK Committees and the QA Committee. He received the Computer Security Institute's Lifetime Achievement Award in 1994, the (ISC)2's Hal Tipton Award in 2001 and the (ISC)2 Founders Award in 2009.

I have pretty good knowledge of all fields required by the SSCP. Just not the details that are required for examination. Bought this book and nothing else. Scheduled test for one month post reading the book. Read the book once cover to cover and passed the exam on the first shot. SSCP

certified now after endorsement. This is really a quality book and should get the job done for you if you have the framework already in place. The crypto portion is ROUGH. Bite down and take it like a man. Good luck. All done in 2014.

In my opinion, I think the book's contents and flows are quite unorganized and confusing. May be because it was written by so many authors. Some chapters are OK and easy to go through but I found most of them are not. It also doesn't give you much in-dept technical details just basic overview and general information. The only thing I like about this book is it has sample questions at the end of each chapter but still they are sometime incorrect and inconsistent. I'm thinking of looking for another book for reference. :(

This book need to be proof-read a bit better. The electronic version has numerous syntactical errors as well as content errors. The quizzes at the end of the book contain many incorrect answers and poorly worded questions.

The only thing I do not like about it is the fact that the test questions should have been corrected. Several answer entries are missing and it makes it hard to check your own progress if the measuring stick is unreliable. And this book is supposed to be about preparation for being prepared :)

Haven't took the certification but it is a good reference. Not recommended for beginner though. Chapter 1,2 and 7 are really easy to understand. Chapter 3 and 4 are quite out of scope (I think). Chapter 5 and 6 are the most boring topic but I read them all. It is a good book but because it was written by several author there are a lot of repetition on several field. It is recommended to have another book with you for a comparison ^^x

The book is very precise. It is good for someone who already has a background or fundamental in information security. I will recommend it!

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Good information. Difficult to read straight through. Worth it if you take frequent breaks.

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