

PfTP® Portfolio Technical Practitioner

What the exam asks, how it is scored, and what share of questions each domain carries.

At a glance

Questions	180
Time	240 minutes
Format	Portfolio defense panel + 180 executive governance scenario items
Pass mark	75% scaled score
Retakes	1 retake included within 12 months
Refunds and rescheduling	Non-refundable; free reschedule up to 24h prior
Credential lasts	3 years. 60 TDUs every 3 years to renew.

Who it is for and who can sit it

Who it is for	VP of Engineering, Chief Architects, CTOs, Portfolio Directors (10+ years)
With a degree	96 months professional technical business experience including 48 months in portfolio leadership
Without a degree	120 months technical business experience including 48 months portfolio leadership

Share of questions by TPBOK domain

Domain	Share	What is covered
Architecture & Systems Design	20%  about 36 of 180 questions	Enterprise capital asset lifecycles, portfolio tech stacks, and M&A audit
Engineering Governance & Agile Delivery	25%  about 45 of 180 questions	Strategic investment prioritization, capital efficiency, and portfolio governance

Domain	Share	What is covered
Applied AI & Emerging Tech Integration	20%  about 36 of 180 questions	Board-level AI transformation, generative risk, and competitive differentiation
Infrastructure & Security	15%  about 27 of 180 questions	Global regulatory resilience, sovereign data residency, and cyber catastrophe mitigation
People Leadership in Engineering	20%  about 36 of 180 questions	Board advisory, executive recruitment, and enterprise compensation frameworks

Focus areas

- Capital engineering allocation, ROI models, and technical venture due diligence
- M&A code audit, technical debt balance sheet risk, and intellectual property review
- Board-level AI stewardship, regulatory exposure, and corporate reputation resilience
- Executive succession planning, C-level alignment, and engineering compensation design

Scoring. Tiered standard: 65% for foundational (ATP), 70% for CTP and specialty credentials, 75% for executive leadership (PgTP, PfTP). Evaluated via psychometrically calibrated scaled scoring with no negative marking.

Rescheduling. Reschedule-only. Examination voucher fees are non-refundable once registered. However, candidates can reschedule their exam sitting free of charge up to 24 hours prior to their scheduled exam window.

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