



Release Notes “Certified Tester Foundation Level Syllabus Version 2018 V3.1”

On October 18, 2019 the ISTQB® General Assembly voted on and approved the Foundation Syllabus 2018 V3.1 minor release.

A minor update does not require re-accreditation of Training Providers, but the accreditation body must confirm that the accredited training providers has updated their material, by a review of the training material and the changes need due to the minor update has been done.

What has been released.

1. An updated version of the Certified Tester Foundation Level Syllabus Version 2018 V3.1
2. Release Note document (this document).

Change log.

Users of the Syllabus should be aware of the changes listed below.

- Chapter 1:
 - “Test Process” added as keyword.
 - Bullet list in section 1.1.1 have been updated and numbers of bullets reduced.
 - Minor textual changes.
- Chapter 2:
 - “Change-related testing” added as keyword.
 - End of section 2.1.2 three bullets are added regarding adaption of software development models.
 - Minor textual changes.
- Chapter 3:
 - Four keywords updated, all had an ending with “-ing” in the 2018 version:
 - ad-hoc review,
 - checklist-based review,
 - role-based review,
 - scenario-based review.
 - Three paragraphs have been moved up to the front of section 3.2.3 Review Types. No changes to content.

- In section 3.2.4 Role-based review have been moved after Perspective-based review.
- Minor textual changes.
- Chapter 4:
 - Section 4.1.1 have been merged with the introduction of 4.1 and section 4.1.2 is now renamed to 4.1.1 creating a clear link with learning objective 4.1.1.
 - Section 4.2.2 Boundary Value Analysis, the value 9 has been removed from the example.
 - Section 4.2.3 Decision Table Testing have had the paragraphs regarding combinatorial test technique and guard conditions deleted and the text rephrased for better understandability.
 - Section 4.4.1 “mistake” replaced with “error”.
 - Minor textual changes.
- Chapter 5:
 - “Defect report” added as a keyword.
 - Minor textual changes.
- Chapter 6:
 - “Performance testing tool” have been deleted as a keyword.
 - Number of tools listed in section 6.1.1 Test Tool Classification have been reduced from 26 to 13.
 - Section 6.1.3 about test execution tool have been edited into 3 bullets and text has been re-formulated.
 - Minor textual changes.
- General:
 - References to ISTQB® syllabi have been updated in all chapters to only include the abbreviation used as listed in chapter 7 References and the section ISTQB® documents.

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