



The Complete and Definitive Guide to the PMP® Exam

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Hi !

Thank you for taking the time to read through this complete and definitive guide for the PMP.

What you have in front of you, is a comprehensive guide that will tell you everything you need to know about the PMP (Project Management Professional) Certification.

People have a lot of questions regarding the PMP certification and sometimes it can be difficult to find the right answers. I have seen people waste several hours in their quest for clarity regarding the PMP Exam.

This guide was created for one major purpose :

To provide simple and easily understandable answers to all the important questions about the PMP certification Exam.

I hope you find this guide useful and that it helps bring you closer to your dream of becoming PMP certified.

I would highly recommend that you read this guide in its entirety BEFORE you start with your training and preparation.

Best of Luck !

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About GPL (Global Project Leader)

GPL (Global Project Leader) is a global training provider of the most effective high quality PMP certification training specially designed for busy professionals. Our training has helped professionals from leading Fortune 500 companies from over 140 countries in preparing for and passing the PMP exam quickly.

Our clients include Professionals from the following companies :

IBM, Microsoft, Accenture, Ford, Infosys, AT and T, and CNBC to name just a few.

What do we do

We provide Premium quality ,easy to understand , focused training (online and personalized) that helps busy professionals pass the PMP exam on their first attempt.

What we solve

The PMP is a challenging exam which requires a lot of time, effort and preparation. Most busy professionals never find the time to sit down and study for it. They struggle with the vast amounts of extraneous information they have to study through to prepare for the exam.

We are on a mission to help professionals pass the PMP exam by providing clear guidance and high quality training materials.

Our PMP training is the most focused, detailed, and yet simple to understand project management training available on the market.

By delivering high quality training content, we enable busy professionals to prepare for the exam comfortably without having to compromise their professional and personal life.

All you have to do is give us your hand, and we will lead the way to your goal of becoming PMP certified.

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Section 1

Introduction to PMP and Why is it the number one Project Management Credential ?

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What is the PMP (Project Management Professional) Certification

PMP® stands for Project Management Professional.

The Project Management Professional (PMP)® is the world's leading project management certification.

The PMP Certification is recognized globally across multiple industries as a gold standard credential.

As an increasing number of industries are relying on project management to help them save costs, increase profits and bolster the efficiency of their work processes, the demand for quality project manager's is on the constant rise.

In order to become PMP Certified, you have to fulfill the eligibility requirements by the PMI (Project Management Institute) and then appear for the PMP exam.

Upon passing the exam, you are awarded the PMP certification.

Why do employer's want PMP Certified Professionals ?

As per PMI's Job growth and Talent report, Employers will need around 87.7 Million people working in Project Management Roles !

The report also states that employers will need to fill nearly 2.2 million new project oriented roles EACH YEAR upto the year 2027.

Employers view the PMP as a very trustworthy credential that signifies a person's capabilities. A PMP certified Project Manager shows that you possess the knowledge, skills and experience to successfully lead high level projects.

Companies put a lot of trust in PMP certified Project Managers since they know these people have been through a rigorous screening process that evaluates their experience and then put them through one of the most difficult certification exams in the world which tests their knowledge, skills, experience and response to project management related scenarios.

What are the Benefits and Advantages of a PMP certification

1. You can Boost your Salary to increase your earnings :

The leading reason for becoming PMP certified are the high salaries earned by PMP certified Project Managers. Those with a PMP certification get an on average 20% higher salary than those without a PMP certification.

Here is a list of countries with their median Salaries for PMP certified Professionals :

- USA : \$111,000
- Australia : \$110,079
- Switzerland : \$130,000

Source :

Earning Power, Project Management Salary Survey, Ninth Edition
<http://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/learning/project-management-earning-power.pdf>

2. You can get hired by the Best Companies in the World

Top Employers from all over the world show a strong preference for PMP certified professionals. IBM, Accenture, Deloitte and Microsoft are just a few of the companies who prize PMP certified Project Managers.

According to Steve DelGrosso, director of IBM's Project Management Center of Excellence



The marketplace in the U.S. is demanding the PMP or other project management certification. Going back five or six years, IBM has seen requests for proposals where the clients are demanding certified project managers be part of the proposal. If you can't present a certified project manager on their deal, they won't consider you."

3. Your key to getting Promoted

Because it is highly respected the world over, The PMP certification can lead you to promotions and career advancements. It also prepares you for greater job responsibilities because of the diverse knowledge gained by preparing for the PMP exam to become a certified Project Management Professional.

4. You will be Globally Recognized

The PMP certification is recognized by the world's largest and most powerful Fortune 500 companies. It is an international gold standard that has certified professionals working across the world. The PMI is present in over 210 countries through its 286 chapters.

5. Increased Global Demand and growth for Project Management Professionals in New and Existing sectors

The importance of project management is growing across multiple sectors of the economy. Projects provide a time based accountable form of getting work done. The number of projects in the world, whether they are small or large, is increasing consistently.

By New sectors, we are referring to those sectors which were earlier not highly project oriented. For example, In the US, the healthcare sector is expected to experience a 17 percent growth in project management employment opportunities.

Here is an overview of the projected number of project management jobs in various countries by 2027.

Projected Project Management jobs by 2027 in :

- China : 46 million jobs
- India : 21.7 million jobs
- United States : 8.7 million jobs

6. Recruiters and HR will be more likely to shortlist you

The PMP certification immediately catches the eye since certified professionals write the 3 syllables right next to your name, similar to how doctors write Dr before their name and how Phd is written after a certain name.

Since the PMP certification demonstrates a high standard of expertise and professional caliber, recruiters are more likely to shortlist your profile, resume and CV compared to professionals who are not certified.

Many recruiters divide the applicant Cv's into two groups, one with those who have the PMP Certification and the other consists of those who do not.

Candidate profiles are shortlisted according to keywords. So if an organization wants to hire a

project manager and has a preference for a PMP certified one, your resume will have a higher chance of being shortlisted if it has the right keywords like PMP certified Project Manager in your resume/Cv.

7. You can work across multiple industry sectors

The top industries of the world hire PMP's.
These include :

- IT
- Engineering
- Construction
- Financial Services
- Consulting
- Telecom
- Manufacturing
- Healthcare

8. Upgrades your Skills and Knowledge

The PMP equips you with all the important knowledge required to manage projects in the best way possible. By learning everything from Initiating, Planning, Executing, Monitoring & Controlling, and Closing a project, you will develop a strong grasp on the best practices of managing projects.

The best part is you can apply this knowledge to ANY industry. This is because the knowledge contained in the prep for PMP is all encompassing and covers a wide range of tools and concepts that you can apply for a variety of situations.

9. The top international companies value the PMP certification and recognize the urgent importance of Project Management Skills

The PMP certification on your resume will speak for your what you have achieved in your career. It shows employers that you are focused, dedicated, have strong attention to detail and a refined decision making ability.

Global Leaders from leading companies have stated that the best project managers are certified project managers.

It is widely known that the PMP is a difficult exam. The exam does an excellent job of evaluating your judgment and ability to make the right decisions given complex and challenging situations. Employers know you have worked immensely hard to attain this certification and that you have high quality work experience to validate your knowledge and skills.

According to a survey of over 1400 executives at Mckinsey, nearly 60 percent of respondents stated that building project management capabilities is a top 3 priority for their company.

<http://www.mckinsey.com/business-functions/organization/our-insights/building-organizational-capabilities-mckinsey-global-survey-results>

<https://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/white-papers/value-of-project-management.pdf>

10. Deliver more value and better performance to organizations and employers

A PMP certified project manager uses his expertise and knowledge of project management to help their organizations achieve greater goals and solve problems through time tested frameworks.

They are valuable to employers for their ability in streamlining processes, cutting costs, ensuring quality and sidestepping risks. This leads to greater overall success rates and profitability for projects which is why a certified project manager becomes an integral player in the company they work in.

The in depth study of PMP allows such manager's to ensure a refined level of project management in their organization. These include project scope management, integration management, human resource management, time management, cost management, quality management and procurement management.

Employers prefer such certified managers who maintain clarity of scope, communicate clearly with all the stakeholders, save the organization money, protect the project from risks and get the work done on or before time.

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Do PMP Certified Professionals earn more money ?

PMP certified project manager's earn a higher salary (20% higher on average) than those without a PMP certification.

What is the PMI ?

PMI stands for the Project Management Institute. This is the organization recognized around the world for their PMP certification

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Is there a demand for project management in the world ?

According to PMI, employers will need 87.7 million individuals working in project management roles by 2027.

The overall sector is expected to grow by 33 percent, which means there will be around 22 million new jobs.

It is estimated that there will be a need to fill 2.2 million project management related roles on a yearly basis.

Source :

<https://www.pmi.org/learning/careers/job-growth>

Which industries require project management roles ? / Which industries do PMP's work in ?

As a PMP, you can work in virtually any industry, with any methodology and in any location. The demand for PMP's continues to grow across new industries at a considerable rate as well.

The following are the top industry sector's which employ PMP's :

- IT (Information Technology)
- Engineering and Construction
- Financial Services
- Oil and Gas
- Government
- Consulting
- Healthcare
- Energy
- Education
- Telecom



Section 2

PMP Eligibility Requirements + How to Prepare for the PMP Exam

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What do i need to do to get PMP certified ?

You need to give the PMP certification exam while having fulfilled the eligibility requirements as mentioned by PMI.

2

What are the requirements for PMP/ Eligibility criteria for the PMP Certification Exam

In order to appear for the PMP exam, you need to fulfill 3 main criteria's

This includes :

- Educational Background
- Project Management Experience
- Project Management Education

The table summarizes the eligibility requirements according to the 3 main criteria.

Education Required	Project Management Experience Required	Project Management Education Required
Non Graduates (Candidates without a university degree, those who have a high school degree or a global equivalent)	5 years of project management experience 7500 hours spent leading projects	35 hours of project management education
Graduates (Candidates with university degrees)	3 years project management experience 4500 hours spent leading projects	35 hours of project management education

Situation 1

If you are a high school graduate, or have an equivalent global qualification, you need to have a minimum of five years / 7500 hours of project management experience.

What this means is that out of the 5 years of your working experience, you need to have spent 7500 hours of those 5 years in leading projects.
Plus, you need to have project management training / education of 35 hours.

Situation 2

If you are a university graduate, then you need to have 3 years / 4500 hours of project management experience

What this means is that out of the 3 years of your working experience, you need to have spent 4500 hours of those 3 years in leading projects.

Plus, you need to have project management training / education of 35 hours.

What is the PMP Eligibility Criteria Summary as according to the PMI (Project Management Institute)

Secondary degree
(high school diploma, associate's degree or the global equivalent)

- 5 years of project management experience
- 7,500 hours of leading and directing projects
- 35 hours of project management education

Or

Four-year degree

- 3 years of project management experience
- 4,500 hours leading and directing projects
- 35 hours of project management education

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How do i get the 35 contact hours training ?

There are several training companies which offer PMP training. They offer the 35 training certificate which you can use to fulfill one of the eligibility requirements of PMI.

One of the most convenient options is to opt for online self paced training which allows you to study and prepare for the exam at your own pace.

Global Project leader offers the fastest and most effective PMP training for busy professionals. We pride ourselves in providing high quality online PMP training with a guarantee that it will help you pass the PMP exam on your first attempt.

Please visit www.globalprojectleader.com to find more details about how we can help you.

Who can apply for the PMP exam ?

You need to have had experience leading and managing projects. It is NOT necessary to be a project manager at an organization, what is more important is for you to have actually had the EXPERIENCE of project management as a prerequisite.

Please refer to the details of the eligibility requirements as stated by PMI which has also been discussed earlier in this document.

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When is the PMP exam held ?

You can schedule your PMP exam on any day of the year from Monday through Saturday.

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What is the duration of the PMP exam ? / How long is the PMP exam ?

The exam is 4 hours long.

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Are there any breaks during the exam ?

You are free to take a break whenever you like, there are no fixed break timings during the pmp exam.

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How long does it take to prepare for the PMP exam ?

Preparation time for the PMP according to our analysis ranges from 2 and a half months to 6 months, with some cases mentioning they prepared for 1 whole year because they could not find enough time to study due to their busy schedule. An average as per our analysis from our clients is that successful PMP holders spent on average 180 hours preparing for the exam.

Fairly speaking, It depends from person to person. The amount of time to prepare for and pass the PMP exam can be based on :

- The amount of project management experience you have
- The amount of time you spend studying on a daily basis
- The quality of training and preparation material you use for the PMP

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How many times can you appear for the PMP exam /
How many attempts can you give for the PMP exam ?

You can appear for the exam for 3 tries in one calendar year.

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What is the average number of hours spent preparing for the PMP exam ?

According to our estimate, a safe number to consider for preparation is on average 190 hours. This includes everything from reading the books to taking the training and attempting practice questions.

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Common features of candidates who pass the PMP on their first try in 3 months :

For those who passed within 3 months, the following aspects were found in common :

- Have more than 5 years of project management experience
- Spend 3.5 hours studying daily
- Use high quality and focused PMP training material



Section 3

Everything you need to know about what type of an exam is the PMP

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4. Important Advice for PMP Preparation
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6. Is studying the PMBOK® Guide enough to Pass the PMP Exam ?

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What is the format of the PMP exam ?

The PMP (Project Management Professional) exam is a 4 hour exam in which you have to complete over 200 MCQ questions. These questions are meant to check your ability, knowledge and judgment in managing projects.

2

How many questions are there on the PMP exam ?

Total Questions : The PMP exam has over **200 questions** in total.

Actual Questions which are counted :

Out of these 200 questions, you will be actually be tested on **175 questions**. The remaining **25 questions** are dummy/**experimental questions**. These 25 questions do NOT count towards your score. These 25 unscored questions are placed randomly across the exam.

So that leaves us with 175 actual questions from which you will actually be tested.

Our recommendation while attempting the PMP exam :

We suggest you do your best across all the questions, you should not rely on giving yourself a margin of error just because of the 25 questions which don't count since the exam does not explicitly tell you which ones are pretest/experimental questions

3

Guideline/Study Plan for Preparing for the PMP exam :

You should spend at the very least, 3 months preparing for your PMP exam. As mentioned earlier in this guide, the amount of time it actually takes to prepare can vary, most likely going beyond 3 months, with exceptions being those who do it under 3 months. This should include everything from :

- Taking PMP Training
- Reading PMBOK
- Reading a PMP exam prep Reference Book
- Doing Practice Questions
- Revising the course

Important Advice for PMP Preparation :

Please do not get demotivated or influenced by hearing stories of people who say they passed the PMP exam by preparing in 5 days or a week or even 2 weeks. In a lot of these cases, such instances are simply not true.

People can often exaggerate their stories to make their achievement sound extraordinary.

For example, i remember when i was preparing for my exam, a fellow office worker said he had passed his pmp exam by preparing in one week. A couple of weeks later he revealed his actual preparation had actually lasted a whole year and it was only the final mock exams that he had given in the last week.

The PMP is a difficult and vast exam that requires you to learn a LOT of different concepts. You simply cannot afford to be casual or take it easy just because someone else wanted to make themselves look like a genius.

Let them be and concentrate on achieving your own success by making sure you work hard.

What is the PMBOK® Guide?

The PMBOK® Guide is a book developed by PMI (Project Management Institute). It is a complete guideline for the fundamentals and practices of Project Management.

The PMBOK® Guide is also used as the main book of study for preparing for the PMP exam.

A large part of the exam is based on the topics contained in PMBOK® Guide, the exam primarily tests the practical application of the concepts mentioned in the guide.

Is studying the PMBOK® Guide enough to Pass the PMP Exam ?

In my opinion, No, you need to broaden your knowledge by at least reading one other PMP Prep book.

You may also sign up for PMP training, in online or offline classes.

Your success will depend considerably on the quality of materials used while preparing for the exam. Notice that i mentioned quality, and not quantity.

Our high quality PMP® ensures your success of passing the exam due to it's careful attention to detail, high quality content and expert guidance.



Section 4

PMP Exam Format and question types

1. What type of questions are there on the PMP exam ?
2. List of Formulas You need to know for the PMP Exam

What type of questions are there on the PMP exam ?

- Situation based questions
- Formula based questions
- Questions related to the ethics and professional/social responsibility of the project manager
- Knowledge Based Questions

Situation based questions :

These are the most common type of questions on the PMP exam. They test your ability, knowledge and decision making as a project manager.

They will provide you with a situation you have to face as a project manager and then accordingly decide what would be the best decision to make.

The tricky part in such questions is that most of the answer choices in such questions will seem correct, so it is difficult to choose which is the right answer.

A strong super secret tip is to make sure you don't answer these questions based on your gut feeling, answer them according to what the PMI and PMBOK Guide recommend you should do as a project manager.

Questions related to the ethics and professional/social responsibility of the project manager

You will be tested on how ethical and professionally responsible you are as a Project Management Professional. For Example, if you go to a new country, should you pay the government officials to get your work done faster or more easily ?

Decisions like this are some of the situations the pmp exam seeks to test.

The basis of these questions is that PMI (Project Management Institute) encourages it's members to follow a Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct which all members should follow when managing projects.

The code addresses the following areas :

- Responsibility

- Respect
- Fairness
- Honesty
- Cultural competence

Mathematical Interpretation and analysis based questions

You will get several questions in which you will have to interpret the meaning behind the number.

In formula based questions you will have to calculate the value of whatever concept you are being asked for.

However, in the interpretation based questions, you will be asked to interpret what does that number mean for the project and its performance ?

The following are the most tested topics when it comes to interpretation and analysis questions :

1. CV (Cost Variance)
2. CPI (Cost Performance Index)
3. SV (Schedule Variance)
4. SPI (Schedule Performance Index)

Definition and Knowledge Based Questions

Did you know what the PMBOK stands for ?

Project Management Body Of **Knowledge**. We interpret Knowledge in this case to mean LOTS of different concepts.

The PMP syllabus contains a substantial amount of different concepts. On the exam, you will be tested with several tricky questions which will evaluate whether you truly understand those concepts.

Hence, You need to know ALL those concepts, tools and methodologies in order to be able to answer the questions correctly.

Formula based questions :

The formula based questions on the pmp exam are related to the mathematical formulas contained in the following topics :

1. Cost Management
2. Time/ Schedule Management

List of Formulas You need to know for the PMP Exam

I have compiled a list of all the important formulas you need to know to answer the formula based pmp questions.

1. Present Value (PV)
2. Cost Benefit Analysis Or Benefit Cost Analysis
3. Communication Channels
4. Earned Value Management (EVM) All Formulas
5. CV (Cost Variance)
6. CPI (Cost Performance Index)
7. SV (Schedule Variance)
8. SPI (Schedule Performance Index)
9. Estimate at Completion(EAC)
10. ETC (Estimate to Complete)
11. TCPI (To complete performance index)
12. VAC (Variance At Completion)
13. Three Point Estimating -1.Simple average/ Triangular Distribution
14. Three Point Estimating -Weighted average/Beta Distribution / PERT
15. Standard Deviation
16. Float
17. Point of Total Assumption
18. Expected Monetary Value (EMV)

If you can do these, you are good to know.

The GPL (Global Project Leader) PMP Training Difference

At Global Project leader, we wanted to make it easy for you to answer the most difficult questions on the PMP exam. We share all the secret tips and guidance which make answering such questions easier. There are tips included throughout our entire PMP training on how to tackle specific topics and their related questions.

Go to www.globalprojectleader.com to start your prep to pass the PMP exam on your first attempt.



Section 5

PMP Certification Costs

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What is the price for the PMP Certification Exam

Member: US\$405.00

Non-member: US\$555.00

PMP Certification exam costs in detail : What are the costs of the PMP exam ?

PMP certification exam fee

Simple answer :

The pmp exam costs \$555.

The longer answer :

There are 2 different costs of the PMP exam depending

The pmp exam has 2 different costs depending on whether

- You are a member of PMI
- You are not a member of PMI
- If you are a member of PMI, the exam will cost you \$405.
- If you are not a member of the PMI, the exam will cost you \$555

Please note that the The PMI membership costs \$139. So if you get the PMI membership, then you will have to pay an overall amount of = \$139(Membership fee) + \$405 (PMP exam fee) = \$554

3

Is it necessary to become a member of PMI to give the pmp exam ?

No it is not necessary to become a PMI member to give the exam.

What are the advantages of becoming a PMI member ?

You can avail the following by becoming a PMI member :

- **Free digital access to the PMBOK Guide** - The main book used to prepare for the PMP exam
- **Career Opportunities** : You can apply for jobs at the job board
- **Global Community** : You can network across PMI chapters in over 80 countries to build your connections
- **Professional Development** : You will get opportunities to earn PDU's for free.
- **Rewards and Discounts** : You can avail discounts of upto 20% on books, courses, exams and certification renewals.

You can check here for more details if you like :

<http://www.pmi.org/membership/benefits>

Here is a summary of the PMP exam fees:

PMP Exam Costs

● PMP® Certification Exam fee for PMI Members	\$405
● PMP® Certification Exam fee for those without PMI Membership	\$555
● PMI® Membership fee	\$139

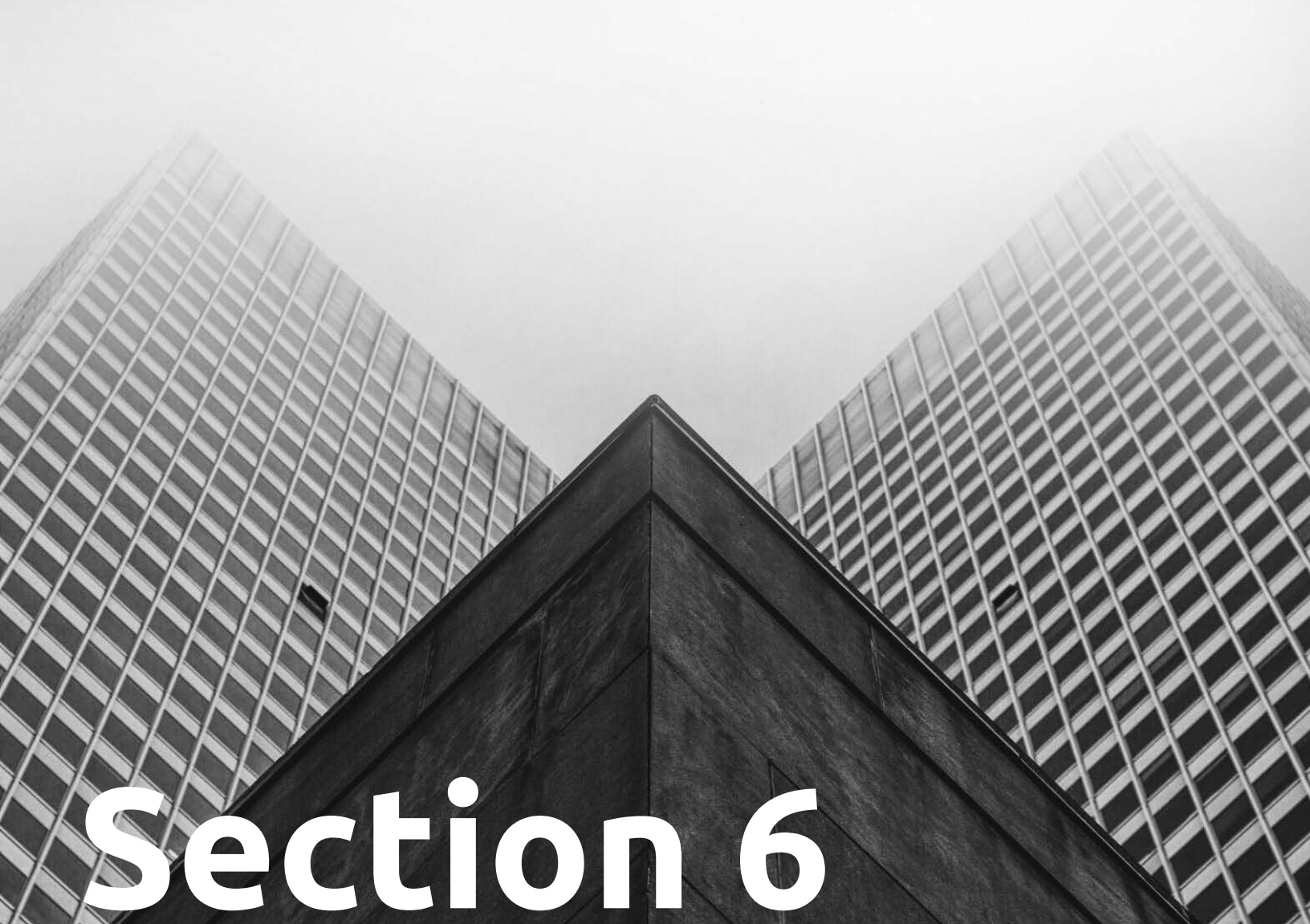
What if i fail the PMP exam ?

If you do not clear the pmp exam on your first try, you are allowed to give 2 more attempts within a one year time frame.

Here are the fees for retaking the pmp exam :

● Re-examination fee for PMI® members	\$405
● Re-examination fee for non-members	\$555

So as you can see, the fee for retaking the exam is a \$100 lesser if you are a PMI member.



Section 6

How to maintain the PMP Certification

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1

Gaining and Maintaining Your PMP Certification

- The certification exam has 200 multiple-choice questions, and you have four hours to complete it.
- To maintain your PMP, you must earn 60 professional development units (PDUs) every three years.

2

How long is the PMP Certification valid for ?

The PMP® certification is valid for 3 years.

What happens after i pass my PMP Certification Exam ?

Celebrate and Succeed !

Congratulations ! First go out there, pat yourself on the back and treat yourself to whatever you like best in the world.

Now that you have are a certified project management professional, you can look forward to Salary raises , Promotions and Better career opportunities. The world needs you ! So go out there and let them know about your success !

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How to Maintain and renew your PMP certification

Since the PMP has a validity of 3 years, you have to renew the certificate every 3 years. Don't worry, you don't have to give the exam all over again !

What you need to do now is to earn 60 PDU's at any time during a 3 year time period. You need to earn these PDU's in order to keep your certification active.

What are PDU's

PDU's are known as Professional Development Units. You need 60 PDU's to maintain your PMP certification.

PMI want's their project manager's to be professionally up to date so they want you to keep yourself involved in a variety of trainings and knowledge acquisition to make sure you are at your best professionally. That is why PMI wants you to invest in your professional development by earning PDU's i.e professional development units.

How you can earn PDU's

You can earn one PDU for every one hour of professional development or in other words, One PDU is equal to one hour of time spent in a Professional Development activity

According to PMI, project manager's should keep themselves professionally updated by getting involved in the following three talent areas :

- Leadership
- Strategic
- Technical

So what this means is that in order for you to earn PDU's, your professional development needs to be focused on these three areas i.e Leadership, Strategic and Technical talents.

Here is a list of the most common ways to earn PDU's :

- By attending seminars and workshops
- Watching videos
- Reading books
- Creating new knowledge
- Attending Trainings (Online or Offline)
- Working as a Project Manager
- Delivering Project Management Trainings



Thank you !

I wanted to take a moment to thank you for reading this guide. The PMP is by no means an easy exam but the journey is certainly worth it.

If you would like us to help make your journey painless, please feel welcome to get in touch with us.

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