

MSP®

Foundation Course



Course Objective

The purpose of the foundation qualification is to confirm that a candidate has sufficient knowledge and understanding of the MSP guidance to interact effectively with those involved in the management of a programme or act as an informed member of a programme office team, business change team or project delivery team working within an MSP environment.

Delegate Profile

Programme office team members, business change team members, project delivery team members, anyone who needs to understand the terminology and concepts underpinning MSP and those wishing to pursue higher level qualifications.

The Package

Included in the cost of the course are:

- Pre-course preparation pack
- Official publication 'Managing Successful Programmes'
- Access to AFA Atrium
- Access to ProjectCoach service
- Printed course material
- Examination fee

The Exam

The foundation exam, taken at the end of the course consists of:

- Question booklet contains 75 questions – 70 exam questions and 5 trial questions.
- Pass mark is a total of 35 or more out of a possible 70 (50%).
- 1 hour multiple choice, closed book.

Typically pre-course preparation will require 2-3 hours of study.

MSP 1000

The big ideas in 1000 words.

Over two sides of A4, AFA has laid out the key principles you need to know about MSP.

Foundation Essentials

We focus on the exam so you can focus on the method.

A compact crib sheet to ensure you have easy access to the knowledge you need to pass the Foundation exam.

AFA Atrium

Wider reading to support your knowledge

An online resource providing a range of additional materials available to delegates before, during and after their course.

ProjectCoach

Get a taster of our ProjectCoach Service

Take the chance to have your work reviewed by one of AFA's expert consultants.

Contact

If you would like further information or wish to make a booking please contact Natalie Thatcher at natalie.thatcher@afaprojects.com or on 0845 643 9101 or book online at www.AFAPROJECTS.COM.

Availability

Client events can be arranged either on-site or at a suitable venue nearby. Open course places cost from £895+VAT per delegate.

This course takes place over three days, including the optional MSP Foundation examination. Delegates should be aware that considerable evening preparation and consolidation will be required to pass the exam. Joining instructions are sent out approximately 2 – 3 weeks before the course.

Course Details

During the three days, there will be a combination of formal presentations, group and individual exercises enabling delegates to gain an understanding of the following topics.

- Programme Management Context
- Principles
- Transformational Flow
- Identifying a Programme
- Vision
- Blueprint Design & Delivery
- Defining a Programme
- Benefits Management
- The Business Case
- Organisation
- Planning & Control
- Leadership & Stakeholder Engagement
- Risk & Issue Management
- Quality & Assurance
- Managing the Tranches
- Delivering the Capability
- Realising the Benefits
- Closing a Programme

Trainer Profile

All AFA trainers are practicing programme managers with considerable experience in a wide range of industry sectors. The use of hybrid trainer-practitioners ensures the trainers have up-to-date, real world knowledge of implementing the methods.

Why AFA?

AFA was established eighteen years ago as a management consultancy organisation. In 1996, AFA became one of the original group of PRINCE2 Accredited Training Organisations. AFA quickly established a reputation for delivering training courses that combine excellent exam pass rates with realistic and practical guidance ensuring maximum skills transfer.

AFA has always played a full part in the Best Practice community. AFA trainers and consultants, including the AFA Managing Director, Alan Ferguson, have served on the editing and review teams for all recent updates of the guidance manuals.

AFA continues to specialise in the Best Practice methods, becoming accredited at the earliest possible opportunity to deliver training in:



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