

## IC<sup>3</sup> GLOBAL STANDARD 3

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: Why did Certiport create the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 standard?**

A: The IC<sup>3</sup> Global Standard 3(GS3) standard was created to ensure that the standard is always current and relevant to today's digital literacy requirements. We recognize that technology is always changing, so it's critical that our program measures technology and skills that are relevant today.

**Q: What changes can I anticipate with the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams?**

A: About 60% of the IC<sup>3</sup> 2005 standard has been updated to create the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 standard. You will see that the standard is more up-to-date, with current technologies like blogging, wikis, social networking, gadgets, etc.

**Q: Which operating system and Microsoft Office product versions are used with IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams?**

A: The IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams are based on Microsoft Office 2007 and Windows Vista<sup>®</sup>.

**Q: How can I take the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams?**

A: The IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams are delivered through Certiport's iQsystem at a Certiport Center. Any IC<sup>3</sup> exam inventory and/or vouchers can be used for the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams.

**Q: What products are available to help me prepare for IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams?**

A: An IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 Practice Test will be available for purchase in the third quarter of 2009. Approved IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 courseware is also listed at [www.certiport.com](http://www.certiport.com).

*"IC<sup>3</sup> is the first stepping stone into the certification path. It is a foundation tool for measuring proficiency in the latest key technologies for work and life."*

*—Hayley Smith S&G Training LTD*

**Q: I'm already IC<sup>3</sup> certified. Can I take the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams?**

A: Absolutely. We encourage people who want to stay up-to-date on their technology skills to become IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 certified. We especially encourage teachers or IC<sup>3</sup> instructors to take the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams to ensure that they are aware of changes that have occurred within the standard.

**Q: I've already taken an IC<sup>3</sup> 2005 exam. Will I need to retake the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams in order to receive my IC<sup>3</sup> certificate?**

A: Candidates who take and pass the IC<sup>3</sup> Computing Fundamentals, Key Applications, and Living Online exams will receive their IC<sup>3</sup> certification regardless of what standard those exams are in.

For example, a candidate that has taken and passed IC<sup>3</sup> 2005 Computing Fundamentals, IC<sup>3</sup> 2007 Key Applications, and IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 Living Online will receive an IC<sup>3</sup> certificate.

**Q: What languages are the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams available in?**

A: The IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 exams are currently available in English. Japanese, Italian, Spanish, and Arabic will be released the fourth quarter of 2009.

**Q: Where can I get more information on the IC<sup>3</sup> GS3 standard?**

A: Visit [www.certiport.com/ic3](http://www.certiport.com/ic3).

