CLTD 2.0 - What You Need to Know

ASCM will be launching an updated version of the CLTD Exam, CLTD 2.0, on May 1, 2020. The CLTD 1.0 exam will be discontinued on April 30, 2020. This document contains details on the launch of the new content along with important information for individuals either currently preparing for the CLTD Exam or looking to start the CLTD Certification process. The following table details the version information:

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Candidates preparing to take the CLTD 1.0 Exam are strongly encouraged to sit for the exam before April 30th. As this deadline approaches, exam availability may be limited, so testing as early as possible is strongly recommended.

On or after May 1, 2020, only the CLTD 2.0 Exam will be available. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Please note that candidates will not be asked to indicate which version of the exam they wish to take when purchasing an Authorization to Test (ATT) or scheduling their exam. Instead, they should schedule their exam for a date that falls into the appropriate timeframe based on the deadlines above. Please reference this table when scheduling your exam.

If you have any questions about scheduling an upcoming CLTD Exam, please contact exams@apics.org.
CLTD 2.0 FAQ’s

What is the difference between the CLTD 1.0 and 2.0 Exams?
CLTD 2.0 contains updated exam content as a result of a study called a Job Task Analysis, or JTA. The JTA is a testing-industry best practice that involves scanning the industry to validate and update a certification program’s body of knowledge. The updates are reflected in the CLTD 2.0 Exam Content Manual (ECM).

I purchased the CLTD Learning System before November 19th. What does this mean for me?
If you take the CLTD exam on or before April 30th, this update will not affect you, as the CLTD 2.0 exam will launch on May 1st. If you cannot sit for the exam before April 30th, you will be able to take the CLTD 2.0 exam after that date. Please note that scheduling of all exams requires having an active Authorization to Test (ATT). Regardless of which version of CLTD you plan to take, make sure to schedule your exam before your authorization expiration date. Candidates with an active ATT can find this expiration date on their ATT email or by logging into apics.org and visiting the MY ACCOUNT page.

I am preparing using CLTD 1.0 materials, but I can’t sit for the exam before April 30th. What are my options?
While we recommend that all candidates with CLTD 1.0 Learning Systems take their exam before April 30th, you will still be able to take the updated CLTD exam after that date until your exam authorization expires. A bridging document has been created that maps the old content to the new content within the new Learning System. This document can be found in the Updates page of your Learning System. Additionally, after April 30, 2020, if you do have the CLTD 1.0 Learning System (2019 or earlier) and a valid Authorization to Test (ATT), you may also qualify for a free digital upgrade to the 2.0 materials, which will be effective through the date of your scheduled CLTD exam. Some restrictions may apply. To request access to the digital upgrade, or if you have any questions, please contact exams@apics.org.

What if my CLTD Learning System is expired?
Whether you plan to test before or after May 1st, we’ve got you covered. If you feel you need more time to study, you may qualify for a free extension of the digital version of the CLTD 1.0 Learning System and/or a free upgrade to the digital version of the CLTD 2.0 Learning System after April 30th. These extensions will be granted through the date of your scheduled CLTD exam. Some restrictions may apply. To request access to the digital upgrade, or if you have any questions, please contact exams@apics.org.

What if I need to retake the CLTD Exam or I am eligible for a 2nd chance exam?
While the CLTD update will not affect your ability to retake the exam, the dates and deadlines outlined above still apply. Keep in mind that, if a retake is required, you may qualify for the CLTD Learning system digital extension mentioned above. To request access to the digital upgrade, or if you have any questions, please contact exams@apics.org.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the ASCM Certification team at exams@apics.org.