

Re: SQL Server 2000 Exam

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Sorry, should have mentioned, I've got a bunch of Windows 2000 MCP's already (Server, Pro, Network Infra, Exchange). I'm not actively looking for the Windows 2000 MCSE; I'm a Cisco man by trade, but was wondering if SQL 2003 would be more relevant to today's technology....

Then again, it wouldn't hurt to get the exam to help towards the MCSE and it's also a plus that we use 2000 at work...so I think I'll go for the 2000 exam.

Let me chime in here, if you will...

First.... there's no such product as SQL 2003, and while Jonathan apparently 'assumed' you meant SQL 2005 from your original post, your repeat of the term makes it unlikely that it was a mistype. So my first statement would be that you need to learn the product NAME before you worry too much about the credentials.

Second.... the MCDBA (SQL 2000) Certification, which is the subject of this newsgroup, /requires/ the completion of certain Windows 2003 examinations. They're not optional. Windows 2000 exams are useless for the MCDBA certification.

Specifically, you must complete one of two Windows 2003 exams:

- Networking Exam (1)
- 70-290: Managing and Maintaining a Windows Server 2003 Environment
- 70-291: Implementing, Managing and Maintaining a Windows Server 2003 Infrastructure

In addition, you must complete one of the following. Unless you're a developer, you'll probably want to focus on 70-293, which is also a Windows 2003 exam.

- Elective Exam (1)

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- 70–293: Planning and Maintaining a Windows Server 2003 Infrastructure
- 70–305: Developing and Implementing Web Applications (VB)
- 70–315: Developing and Implementing Web Applications (VC#)
- 70–306: Developing and Implementing Windows Applications (VB)
- 70–316: Developing and Implementing Windows Applications (VC#)
- 70–310: Developing XML Web Services and Server Components (VB)
- 70–320: Developing XML Web Services and Server Components (VC#)

Windows 2000 examinations are of no use in achieving the MCDBA (SQL 2000) Certification.

As pertains to SQL Server 2005, there are four certifications available:

- Microsoft Certified Technical Specialist — the entry level cert (equivalent to the old MCP). Requires passing 70–431.
- Microsoft Certified IT Professional: Database Administration
- Microsoft Certified IT Professional: Database Developer
- Microsoft Certified IT Professional: Business Intelligence Developer

All three MCITP certifications require the completion of the MCTS exam, plus selected additional SQL Server 2005 exams.

Of special note is that the MCITP certifications require =ZERO= Windows Server 2003 credentials.

That is.. short version: MCDBA requires two Windows Server 2003 exams (70–290 or 70–291, and 70–293 (or a developer exam)).
The MCITP certs requires no Windows Server 2003 exams.

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