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Scaleway Foundations

Exam Guide

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Welcome!

A vibrant expert community is one of our industry's greatest assets. When experts join forces, they drive impactful innovation. When they set the example, our collective capacity for leadership grows.

As Europe's empowering cloud provider, Scaleway proudly champions continuous learning and development. Our training and certification program invites you to **prove your skills and earn professional credentials**, whether you're an established expert or on your journey to becoming one.

Our groundbreaking learning pathway, **Scaleway Foundations**, shows you how to identify products that match your business needs, manage your team's access to cloud resources, optimize costs, and much more.

We look forward to having you join us for an upcoming certification session!

Kindly,

The Scaleway Learning team
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What is the Scaleway Foundations exam?

The Scaleway Foundations exam tests broad knowledge of Scaleway's products and services. Successful candidates are able to create a strong foundation for their cloud infrastructure with Scaleway.

Target candidates

The Scaleway Foundations exam is for entry-level Scaleway users who are:

- Business leaders steering their company's choice of cloud provider(s).
- Consultants who recommend cloud providers to their clients' businesses.
- Technical architects.
- DevOps and SysAdmins.
- Developers who are familiar with cloud environments.
- Students and graduates looking to boost their cloud qualifications.

Skills certified

The Scaleway Foundations Exam verifies the candidate's ability to perform the following actions:

1	Introduction to Scaleway
A	Describe Scaleway's values and key differentiators
B	Identify the Regions and Availability Zones where Scaleway's products and services are available
C	Describe the products in Scaleway's portfolio by category: • Security & Identity • Bare Metal • Compute • AI • Serverless • Storage • Managed Databases

	• Network • Containers • Managed Services • Observability
D	Describe the products available from Scaleway Labs
E	List the Developer Tools enabling programmatic resource management
F	Understand billing and payment methods for Scaleway products
G	Choose a support plan based on business needs
2	Security & Identity
A	Understand the structure of your Scaleway Organization
B	Explain the purpose of Identity and Access Management (IAM)
C	List IAM concepts and present the purpose of each
D	Describe security best practices, such as implementing a Disaster Recovery Plan across multiple distinct regions
3	Bare Metal
A	Understand the capabilities of Elastic Metal, Dedibox, and Apple silicon
B	Identify which product in this category offers cloud connectivity
4	Compute
A	Explain the difference between vCPU Instances and GPU Instances
B	Identify the most suitable Instance types for different use cases
C	Understand the distinction between an image and a snapshot
D	Identify the volume types that can be attached to an Instance
E	Explain how to connect to an Instance
F	Describe how to optimize an Instance's performance and cost
5	Serverless
A	Identify the core principles of the serverless computing paradigm
B	Describe the components of a serverless ecosystem

C	Explain common use cases for each of Scaleway's serverless products
6	Storage
A	Differentiate between the available storage types
B	Identify use cases for Object Storage and Block Storage
C	Understand concepts including buckets, bucket policies, volumes, and versioning
7	Network
A	Describe the capabilities of Virtual Private Cloud (VPC)
B	List the Scaleway resources compatible with flexible IPs
C	Describe the costs associated with using IPv4 and IPv6 addresses
D	Explain the benefits of using a load balancer
8	Databases
A	Describe the advantages of using a Managed Database
B	Describe the deployment modes available for Database Instances
C	Describe the Serverless SQL Databases features
D	Identify use cases for PostgreSQL and MySQL Managed Databases
E	Identify use cases for Managed Databases for Redis™
9	Containers
A	Describe Scaleway's Kubernetes products
B	Identify use cases for Kubernetes Kapsule and Kubernetes Kosmos
C	Explain how to monitor a Kapsule or Kosmos cluster
10	Monitoring
A	Describe Scaleway's Kubernetes Monitoring products
B	Describe the capabilities of Cockpit
C	Understand how Cockpit integrates with other Scaleway products
D	Describe the capabilities of Audit Trail
11	Artificial Intelligence

A	Describe Scaleway's AI products
B	Explain the capabilities of Generative API and Managed Inference
C	Understand the difference between AI products
12	Data and Analytics
A	Introduce Scaleway's Data & Analytics catalog
B	Explain the key features of NATS
C	Define Data Lab for Apache Spark™ and Data Warehouse for ClickHouse®
13	Integrations Services
A	Introduce Scaleway's Integration Services catalog
B	Explain the key features of Topics & Events
C	Present Topics & Events uses cases
D	Introduce the key features of Queues
E	Define IoT Hub

Exam experience

The exam lasts up to **1 hour** and includes **50 questions**.

For each question on the exam, the candidate selects the best response(s) and eliminates distractors. Distractors are incorrect answers that may seem plausible to candidates who lack sufficient expertise.

The exam's instructions specify the number of expected responses for question type:

- **Multiple-choice questions** have one correct response.
- **True or false questions** have one correct response.
- **Multiple-response questions** have two or more correct responses.
- **Matching questions** require all options to be correctly matched.
- **Fill-in-the-blank questions** require the candidate to move words from a word bank to their correct positions within a sentence.

Score calculation

The Scaleway Foundations exam is a pass-or-fail exam. Scaleway scores the exam against a minimum standard that follows industry best practices and guidelines.

Your score is reported on a scale of 1-100. **The minimum passing score is 70.**

Unanswered questions are scored as incorrect.

Certification

Candidates who pass the exam receive a badge and a certificate that remain valid for 24 months.

Sharing your Scaleway credentials with your network helps you **bolster your professional portfolio**. Scaleway provides support to help successful candidates extract maximum potential from newly acquired credentials.

FAQ

How do I register for a Scaleway Learning exam?

You can use our [registration form](#) to register for one or several exams.

How much does a Scaleway Learning exam cost?

300 euros excluding VAT and 360 euros with VAT.

I registered for an exam. What happens next?

We'll send you a purchase order to sign and return to us. Once we receive your signed purchase order, we'll open your session on our e-learning platform. You'll receive an email with a link to join the platform.

When will I be billed for the exam?

We'll email you an invoice once we receive your signed purchase order.

Can you tell me more about your e-learning platform?

Scaleway partners with [360Learning](#), an online learning platform you can access at your own pace. The platform provides everything you need to prepare for and take the exam.

Will my 360Learning account stay open indefinitely?

No. Your 360Learning account is automatically deleted after six months.

How long will it take to prepare for the exam?

This depends on your experience with the cloud and Scaleway before you start.

- Experienced cloud professionals spend 1 to 2 hours studying.
- Candidates with some cloud expertise spend 5 or 6 hours on average.
- Candidates with limited cloud expertise may spend up to 10 hours.

Can I learn at night or over the weekend?

You can access our online learning platform anytime. To request support, please contact us during our regular working hours, Monday-Friday, 9:30 am to 5 pm CET.

Can I take notes while learning?

Absolutely! We encourage you to take notes. You can use them during the exam.

Can I look at the slides or search the Internet during the exam?

No. We're counting on your honesty and integrity!

Where will I take the exam?

You'll take the exam on the [360Learning](#) e-learning platform.

How long does the exam last?

You'll have up to 1 hour to answer the 50 questions on the exam.

When will I take the exam?

Your exam session will remain open for one month. For example, a session beginning February 6th will end on March 6th, and a session beginning July 30th will end on August 30th.

Can I take the exam outside regular working hours (early morning or evening)?

Since we want to support you during the exam, we recommend taking it during our regular working hours (Monday-Friday, 9:30 am to 5 pm CET). However, you may take the exam anytime.

Can I bypass my study time and go directly to the exam?

Yes, but we recommend weighing the risks and benefits. If you've been with us since the dawn of Dedibox, and you've used every one of our products since then, you'll probably pass the exam even if you don't study. Generally, we recommend at least skimming the slides and reviewing any new information.

What should I do if the e-learning platform is unavailable or a bug occurs?

In the event of technical issues, we request that you provide a screenshot or recording and a description of the problem to our support team. The fastest way to reach us is at contact.certifications@scaleway.com or in the [#learning](#) channel of the Scaleway Community Slack.

Can I start the exam, then press pause and return to it later?

Closing the exam window pauses the exam. You can return to the exam and click **Resume** to continue where you left off. Resuming does not reset the countdown timer.

Do Scaleway badges and certificates expire?

Yes. Scaleway badges and certificates are valid for two years. We offer fast-track options to renew your qualifications once they expire.

Is Scaleway Learning content protected by copyright?

Yes, our resources are protected by copyright, and making copies and/or sharing them is forbidden.

I'm based outside of France. Will Scaleway charge me VAT for the exam?

No, reverse invoices are available for participants outside of France.

How much is VAT?

French VAT is 20% for services. The exam falls into this category.

I have a question that isn't answered in the FAQ. What should I do?

Send your question to contact.certifications@scaleway.com, or join us in the [#learning](#) channel of the Scaleway Community Slack.