

Passing Standard: Scaled score of 300 on a 100-500 scale

Format & Timing: 90 Multiple Choice Questions (75 scored + 15 pretest, including scenario vignettes). 2.5 hours. (Pearson VUE)

Testing Windows: Continuous on-demand testing at Pearson VUE

1. OFFICIAL 2026 BLUEPRINT DOMAINS & WEIGHTINGS**CIPP-1: Introduction to the U.S. Privacy Environment****Weight: 37%**

Structure of U.S. law (Constitutional, statutory, common law, tort, contract) and regulatory authorities, FTC Act Section 5 (unfair/deceptive practices), consent decrees, and privacy program management, Data classification, data inventory, cross-border data transfers, and incident response

CIPP-2: Limits on Private-Sector Collection and Use of Data (FTC, Healthca**Weight: 31%**

Healthcare privacy: HIPAA Privacy & Security Rules, HITECH, Business Associates, PHI, and GINA, Financial privacy: GLBA (Privacy & Safeguards Rules), FCRA, FACTA, Dodd-Frank/CFPB, and Red Flags Rule, Education & Telecom: FERPA, COPPA, TCPA, CAN-SPAM, VPPA, and ECPA

CIPP-3: Government and Court Access to Private-Sector Information**Weight: 8%**

Fourth Amendment, ECPA (Wiretap Act, Stored Communications Act, Pen Register Act), and CALEA, National security (FISA, USA PATRIOT Act), civil litigation discovery, and subpoenas/warrants

CIPP-4: Workplace Privacy**Weight: 10%**

Applicant screening (FCRA background checks, ban-the-box, social media, polygraph EPPA), Employee monitoring (email, phone, video, GPS, BYOD), ADA medical confidentiality, and OSHA/NLRA

CIPP-5: State Privacy Laws**Weight: 14%**

CCPA/CPRA (California Consumer Privacy Act / Privacy Rights Act): consumer rights, sale/sharing, CPPA, Comprehensive state privacy laws (Virginia VCDPA, Colorado CPA, Connecticut CTDPA, Texas TDPSA, BIPA), State data breach notification statutes (definitions, triggers, AG notice, safe harbors)

2. PRIMARY STATUTORY & REGULATORY AUTHORITIES TESTED*** Federal Privacy Statutes (FTC Act Sec. 5, HIPAA, GLBA, FCRA, COPPA) - 15 U.S.C. Sec. 45 (FTC A**

Sectoral US federal privacy and data-protection statutory framework

*** State Comprehensive Privacy Laws (CCPA / CPRA & State Equivalents) - Cal. Civ. Code Sec. 1798.**

Consumer rights, opt-out mechanisms, sensitive personal information, and state enforcement

3. EXAMINER TRAPS & HIGH-YIELD PASS STRATEGY

Key Challenge: Distinguishing federal preemption rules across HIPAA, GLBA, FCRA, and intersecting state privacy regimes (CCPA/CPRA, VCDPA, CPA).