

**Cyber Security Expert**  
**Duration: 150 Hrs**

**Network Fundamentals**

- 1.1 Explain the role and function of network components
  - 1.1.a Routers
  - 1.1.b L2 and L3 switches
  - 1.1.c Next-generation firewalls and IPS
  - 1.1.d Access points
  - 1.1.e Controllers (Cisco DNA Center and WLC)
  - 1.1.f Endpoints
  - 1.1.g Servers
- 1.2 Describe characteristics of network topology architectures
  - 1.2.a 2 tier
  - 1.2.b 3 tier
  - 1.2.c Spine-leaf
  - 1.2.d WAN
  - 1.2.e Small office/home office (SOHO)
  - 1.2.f On-premises and cloud
- 1.3 Compare physical interface and cabling types
  - 1.3.a Single-mode fiber, multimode fiber, copper
  - 1.3.b Connections (Ethernet shared media and point-to-point)
  - 1.3.c Concepts of PoE
- 1.4 Identify interface and cable issues (collisions, errors, mismatch duplex, and/or speed)
- 1.5 Compare TCP to UDP
- 1.6 Configure and verify IPv4 addressing and subnetting
- 1.7 Describe the need for private IPv4 addressing
- 1.8 Configure and verify IPv6 addressing and prefix
- 1.9 Compare IPv6 address types
  - 1.9.a Global unicast
  - 1.9.b Unique local
  - 1.9.c Link local
  - 1.9.d Anycast
  - 1.9.e Multicast
  - 1.9.f Modified EUI 64
- 1.10 Verify IP parameters for Client OS (Windows, Mac OS, Linux)
- 1.11 Describe wireless principles
  - 1.11.a Nonoverlapping Wi-Fi channels
  - 1.11.b SSID
  - 1.11.c RF
  - 1.11.d Encryption
- 1.12 Explain virtualization fundamentals (virtual machines)

- 1.13 Describe switching concepts
  - 1.13.a MAC learning and aging
  - 1.13.b Frame switching
  - 1.13.c Frame flooding
  - 1.13.d MAC address table

## **Network Access**

- 2.1 Configure and verify VLANs (normal range) spanning multiple switches
  - 2.1.a Access ports (data and voice)
  - 2.1.b Default VLAN
  - 2.1.c Connectivity
- 2.2 Configure and verify interswitch connectivity
  - 2.2.a Trunk ports
  - 2.2.b 802.1Q
  - 2.2.c Native VLAN
- 2.3 Configure and verify Layer 2 discovery protocols (Cisco Discovery Protocol and LLDP)
- 2.4 Configure and verify (Layer 2/Layer 3) EtherChannel (LACP)
- 2.5 Describe the need for and basic operations of Rapid PVST+ Spanning Tree Protocol and identify basic operations
  - 2.5.a Root port, root bridge (primary/secondary), and other port names
  - 2.5.b Port states (forwarding/blocking)
  - 2.5.c PortFast benefits
- 2.6 Compare Cisco Wireless Architectures and AP modes
- 2.7 Describe physical infrastructure connections of WLAN components (AP, WLC, access/trunk ports, and LAG)
- 2.8 Describe AP and WLC management access connections (Telnet, SSH, HTTP, HTTPS, console, and TACACS+/RADIUS)
- 2.9 Configure the components of a wireless LAN access for client connectivity using GUI only such as WLAN creation, security settings, QoS profiles, and advanced WLAN settings

## **IP Connectivity**

- 3.1 Interpret the components of routing table
  - 3.1.a Routing protocol code
  - 3.1.b Prefix
  - 3.1.c Network mask
  - 3.1.d Next hop
  - 3.1.e Administrative distance
  - 3.1.f Metric
  - 3.1.g Gateway of last resort
- 3.2 Determine how a router makes a forwarding decision by default
  - 3.2.a Longest match
  - 3.2.b Administrative distance
  - 3.2.c Routing protocol metric

### 3.3 Configure and verify IPv4 and IPv6 static routing

#### 3.3.a Default route

#### 3.3.b Network route

#### 3.3.c Host route

#### 3.3.d Floating static

### 3.4 Configure and verify single area OSPFv2

#### 3.4.a Neighbor adjacencies

#### 3.4.b Point-to-point

#### 3.4.c Broadcast (DR/BDR selection)

#### 3.4.d Router ID

### 3.5 Describe the purpose of first hop redundancy protocol

## IP Services

#### 4.1 Configure and verify inside source NAT using static and pools

#### 4.2 Configure and verify NTP operating in a client and server mode

#### 4.3 Explain the role of DHCP and DNS within the network

#### 4.4 Explain the function of SNMP in network operations

#### 4.5 Describe the use of syslog features including facilities and levels

#### 4.6 Configure and verify DHCP client and relay

#### 4.7 Explain the forwarding per-hop behavior (PHB) for QoS such as classification, marking, queuing, congestion, policing, shaping

#### 4.8 Configure network devices for remote access using SSH

#### 4.9 Describe the capabilities and function of TFTP/FTP in the network

## Security Fundamentals

#### 5.1 Define key security concepts (threats, vulnerabilities, exploits, and mitigation techniques)

#### 5.2 Describe security program elements (user awareness, training, and physical access control)

#### 5.3 Configure device access control using local passwords

#### 5.4 Describe security password policies elements, such as management, complexity, and password alternatives (multifactor authentication, certificates, and biometrics)

#### 5.5 Describe remote access and site-to-site VPNs

#### 5.6 Configure and verify access control lists

#### 5.7 Configure Layer 2 security features (DHCP snooping, dynamic ARP inspection, and port security)

#### 5.8 Differentiate authentication, authorization, and accounting concepts

#### 5.9 Describe wireless security protocols (WPA, WPA2, and WPA3)

#### 5.10 Configure WLAN using WPA2 PSK using the GUI

## Automation and Programmability

#### 6.1 Explain how automation impacts network management

#### 6.2 Compare traditional networks with controller-based networking

#### 6.3 Describe controller-based and software defined architectures (overlay, underlay, and

fabric)

6.3.a Separation of control plane and data plane

6.3.b North-bound and south-bound APIs

6.4 Compare traditional campus device management with Cisco DNA Center enabled device management

6.5 Describe characteristics of REST-based APIs (CRUD, HTTP verbs, and data encoding)

6.6 Recognize the capabilities of configuration management mechanisms Puppet, Chef, and Ansible

6.7 Interpret JSON encoded data

## **Cyber Security:**

### **Module 1 / Threats, Attacks, and Vulnerabilities**

Indicators of Compromise

- Why is Security Important?
- Security Policy
- Threat Actor Types
- The Kill Chain •

Social Engineering

- Phishing
- Malware Types
- Trojans and Spyware
- Open Source Intelligence
- Labs
- VM Orientation
- Malware Types

Critical Security Controls

- Security Control Types
- Defense in Depth
- Frameworks and Compliance
- Vulnerability Scanning and Pen Tests
- Security Assessment Techniques
- Pen Testing Concepts
- Vulnerability Scanning Concepts
- Exploit Frameworks
- Lab
- Using Vulnerability Assessment Tools

Security Posture Assessment Tools

- Topology Discovery
- Service Discovery
- Packet Capture
- Packet Capture Tools

- Remote Access Trojans
- Honeypots and Honeynets
- Labs
- Using Network Scanning Tools 1
- Using Network Scanning Tools 2
- Using Steganography Tools

#### Incident Response

- Incident Response Procedures
- Preparation Phase
- Identification Phase
- Containment Phase
- Eradication and Recovery Phases

### **Module 2 / Identity and Access Management**

#### Cryptography

- Uses of Cryptography
- Cryptographic Terminology and Ciphers
- Cryptographic Products
- Hashing Algorithms
- Symmetric Algorithms
- Asymmetric Algorithms
- Diffie-Hellman and Elliptic Curve
- Transport Encryption
- Cryptographic Attacks
- Lab
- Implementing Public Key Infrastructure Public Key Infrastructure
- PKI Standards
- Digital Certificates
- Certificate Authorities
- Types of Certificate
- Implementing PKI
- Storing and Distributing Keys
- Key Status and Revocation
- PKI Trust Models
- PGP / GPG
- Lab
- Deploying Certificates and Implementing Key Recovery

#### Identification and Authentication

- Access Control Systems
- Identification
- Authentication
- LAN Manager / NTLM
- Kerberos

- PAP, CHAP, and MS-CHAP
- Password Attacks
- Token-based Authentication
- Biometric Authentication
- Common Access Card
- Lab
- Using Password Cracking Tools

#### Identity and Access Services

- Authorization
- Directory Services
- RADIUS and TACACS+
- Federation and Trusts
- Federated Identity Protocols

#### Account Management

- Formal Access Control Models
- Account Types
- Windows Active Directory
- Creating and Managing Accounts
- Account Policy Enforcement
- Credential Management Policies
- Account Restrictions
- Accounting and Auditing
- Lab
- Using Account Management Tools

### **Module 3 / Architecture and Design (1)**

#### Secure Network Design

- Network Zones and Segments
- Subnetting
- Switching Infrastructure
- Switching Attacks and Hardening
- Endpoint Security
- Network Access Control
- Routing Infrastructure
- Network Address Translation
- Software Defined Networking
- Lab
- Implementing a Secure Network Design

#### Firewalls and Load Balancers

- Basic Firewalls
- Stateful Firewalls
- Implementing a Firewall or Gateway

- Web Application Firewalls
- Proxies and Gateways
- Denial of Service Attacks
- Load Balancers
- Lab
- Implementing a Firewall

#### IDS and SIEM

- Intrusion Detection Systems
- Configuring IDS
- Log Review and SIEM
- Data Loss Prevention
- Malware and Intrusion Response
- Lab
- Using an Intrusion Detection System

#### Secure Wireless Access

- Wireless LANs
- WEP and WPA
- Wi-Fi Authentication
- Extensible Authentication Protocol
- Additional Wi-Fi Security Settings
- Wi-Fi Site Security
- Personal Area Networks

#### Physical Security Controls

- Site Layout and Access
- Gateways and Locks
- Alarm Systems
- Surveillance
- Hardware Security
- Environmental Controls

### **Module 4 / Architecture and Design (2)**

#### Secure Protocols and Services

- DHCP Security
- DNS Security
- Network Management Protocols
- HTTP and Web Servers
- SSL / TLS and HTTPS
- Web Security Gateways
- Email Services
- S/MIME
- File Transfer
- Voice and Video Services
- VoIP

- Labs
- Implementing Secure Network Addressing Services
- Configuring a Secure Email Service

Secure Remote Access • Remote Access Architecture

- Virtual Private Networks
- IPSec
- Remote Access Servers
- Remote Administration Tools
- Hardening Remote Access Infrastructure
- Lab
- Implementing a Virtual Private Network

Secure Systems Design

- Trusted Computing
- Hardware / Firmware Security
- Peripheral Device Security
- Secure Configurations
- OS Hardening
- Patch Management
- Embedded Systems
- Security for Embedded Systems

Secure Mobile Device Services

- Mobile Device Deployments
- Mobile Connection Methods
- Mobile Access Control Systems
- Enforcement and Monitoring

Secure Virtualization and Cloud Services

- Virtualization Technologies
- Virtualization Security Best Practices
- Cloud Computing
- Cloud Security Best Practices

**Module 5 / Risk Management**

Forensics

- Forensic Procedures
- Collecting Evidence
- Capturing System Images
- Handling and Analyzing Evidence
- Lab
- Using Forensic Tools

Disaster Recovery and Resiliency

- Continuity of Operations Plans
- Disaster Recovery Planning
- Resiliency Strategies



- Recovery Sites
- Backup Plans and Policies
- Resiliency and Automation Strategies

#### Risk Management

- Business Impact Analysis
- Identification of Critical Systems
- Risk Assessment
- Risk Mitigation

#### Secure Application Development

- Application Vulnerabilities
- Application Exploits
- Web Browser Exploits
- Secure Application Design
- Secure Coding Concepts
- Auditing Applications
- Secure DevOps
- Lab
- Identifying a Man-in-the-Browser Attack

#### Organizational Security

- Corporate Security Policy
- Personnel Management Policies
- Interoperability Agreements
- Data Roles
- Data Sensitivity Labeling and Handling
- Data Wiping and Disposal
- Privacy and Employee Conduct Policies
- Security Policy Training
- Utilize Attack Frameworks and Indicator Management
- Utilize Threat Modeling and Hunting Methodologies
- Analyzing Security Monitoring Data
- Analyze Network Monitoring Output
- Analyze Appliance Monitoring Output
- Analyze Endpoint Monitoring Output
- Analyze Email Monitoring Output

#### **Ethical Hacking:**

##### **1. Introduction to Ethical Hacking**

- Information Security Overview
- Hacking Methodologies and Frameworks
- Hacking Concepts
- Ethical Hacking Concepts

- Information Security Controls
- Information Security Laws and Standards

## **2. Footprinting and Reconnaissance**

- Footprinting Concepts
- Footprinting through Search Engines
- Footprinting through Web Services
- Footprinting through Social Networking Sites
- Website Footprinting
- Email Footprinting
- Who is Footprinting
- DNS Footprinting
- Network Footprinting
- Footprinting through Social Engineering
- Footprinting Tools
- Footprinting Countermeasures

## **3. Scanning Networks**

- Network Scanning Concepts
- Scanning Tools
- Host Discovery
- Port and Service Discovery
- OS Discovery (Banner Grabbing/OS Fingerprinting)
- Scanning Beyond IDS and Firewall
- Network Scanning Countermeasures

## **4. Enumeration**

- Enumeration Concepts
- NetBIOS Enumeration
- SNMP Enumeration
- LDAP Enumeration
- NTP and NFS Enumeration
- SMTP and DNS Enumeration
- Other Enumeration Techniques
- Enumeration Countermeasures

## **5. Vulnerability Analysis**

- Vulnerability Assessment Concepts
- Vulnerability Classification and Assessment Types
- Vulnerability Assessment Tools
- Vulnerability Assessment Reports

## **6. System Hacking**

- Gaining Access
- Escalating Privileges
- Maintaining Access
- Clearing Logs

## **7. Malware Threats**

- Malware Concepts
- APT Concepts
- Trojan Concepts
- o Worm Makers
- Fileless Malware Concepts
- Malware Analysis
- Malware Countermeasures
- Anti-Malware Software

## **8. Sniffing**

- Sniffing Concepts
- Sniffing Technique: MAC Attacks
- Sniffing Technique: DHCP Attacks
- Sniffing Technique: ARP Poisoning
- Sniffing Technique: Spoofing Attacks
- Sniffing Technique: DNS Poisoning
- Sniffing Tools

## **9. Social Engineering**

- Social Engineering Concepts
- Social Engineering Techniques
- Insider Threats
- Impersonation on Social Networking Sites
- Identity Theft
- Social Engineering Countermeasures

## **10. Denial-of-Service**

- DoS/DDoS Concepts
- Botnets
- DoS/DDoS Attack Techniques
- DDoS Case Study
- DoS/DDoS Attack Countermeasures

### **11. Session Hijacking**

- Session Hijacking Concepts
- Application-Level Session Hijacking
- Network-Level Session Hijacking
- Session Hijacking Tools
- Session Hijacking Countermeasures

### **12. Evading IDS, Firewalls, and Honeypots**

- IDS, IPS, Firewall, and Honeypot Concepts
- IDS, IPS, Firewall, and Honeypot Solutions
- Evading IDS
- Evading Firewalls
- Evading NAC and Endpoint Security
- IDS/Firewall Evading Tools
- Detecting Honeypots
- IDS/Firewall Evasion Countermeasures

### **13. Hacking Web Servers**

- Web Server Concepts
- Web Server Attacks
- Web Server Attack Methodology
- Web Server Attack Countermeasures

### **14. Hacking Web Applications**

- Web Application Concepts
- Web Application Threats
- Web Application Hacking Methodology
- Web API, Webhooks, and Web Shell
- Web Application Security

### **15. SQL Injection**

- SQL Injection Concepts
- Types of SQL Injection
- SQL Injection Methodology
- SQL Injection Tools
- SQL Injection Countermeasures

### **16. Hacking Wireless Networks**

- Wireless Concepts
- Wireless Encryption
- Wireless Threats

- Wireless Hacking Methodology
- Wireless Hacking Tools
- Bluetooth Hacking
- Wireless Attack Countermeasures
- Wireless Security Tools

#### **17. Hacking Mobile Platforms**

- Mobile Platform Attack Vectors
- Hacking Android OS
- Hacking iOS
- Mobile Device Management
- Mobile Security Guidelines and Tools

#### **18. IoT and OT Hacking**

- IoT Hacking
- IoT Concepts
- IoT Attacks
- IoT Hacking Methodology
- OT Hacking
- OT Concepts
- OT Attacks
- OT Hacking Methodology

#### **19. Cloud Computing**

- Cloud Computing Concepts
- Container Technology
- Manipulating Cloud Trial Service
- Cloud Security

#### **20. Cryptography**

- Cryptography Concepts
- Encryption Algorithms
- Cryptography Tools
- Email Encryption
- Disk Encryption
- Cryptanalysis
- Cryptography Attack Countermeasures