Implementing SAFe®

**Implementing a Lean-Agile SAFe Transformation in the Enterprise
with SAFe® 4 Program Consultant Certification
based on version 4.6 of SAFe**

During this four-day course, attendees will learn how to lead a Lean-Agile transformation by leveraging the practices and principles of the Scaled Agile Framework® (SAFe®), as well as the five core competencies of the Lean Enterprise. Attendees will also gain insights and practice how to coach programs, launch Agile Release Trains, build a Continuous Delivery Pipeline with DevOps culture, and build a Lean Portfolio. The first two days of the course—Leading SAFe®—will provide them with the basis to teach SAFe to leaders. The final two days focus exclusively on what it takes to successfully implement SAFe in the enterprise.

Becoming a Certified SAFe® 4 Program Consultant (SPC), and becoming a change agent, will enable attendees to coach and guide the enterprise to succeed in a disruptive marketplace and empower them to implement a Lean-Agile SAFe transformation.

Who will benefit?

This course is intended for those who will be materially and directly involved in a SAFe implementation. This includes practitioners, change agents, and consultants responsible for implementing Agile programs and portfolios as part of an enterprise Lean-Agile change initiative. Attendees typically include:

- Professional Services Consultants
- Internal Change Agents, Lean-Agile Center for Excellence (LACE) participants, Agile Working Groups
- Business and Technology Executives, Leaders, Managers, and Directors
- Portfolio Managers and Fiduciaries, Project/Program Management Office (PMO) personnel
- Development, QA, and IT Managers
- Program and Project Managers
- Product and Product Line Managers
- Process Leads and Lifecycle Governance personnel
- Enterprise, System, and Solution Architects

Learning Goals

To perform the role of a SAFe® Program Consultant (SPC), attendees should be able to:

- Lead an enterprise Lean-Agile transformation
- Implement the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe)
- Build a Lean Portfolio
- Align the organization to a common language and way of working
- Perform Value Stream identification
- Launch and coach Agile Release Trains
- Coordinate multiple Agile Release Trains with a Solution Train
- Build and execute an implementation rollout strategy

- Configure the Framework for a specific enterprise context
- Train managers and executives in Leading SAFe®
- Continue their learning journey and become enabled to train other SAFe roles in the enterprise

Topics Covered

Leading SAFe® – Days 1 and 2

- Introducing the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe)
- Becoming a Lean-Agile Leader
- Creating High-Performing Teams and Trains
- Experiencing Program Increment (PI) Planning
- Releasing on Demand with DevOps
- Building a Lean Portfolio
- Leading the Transformation
- About the Exam

Implementing SAFe® – Days 3 and 4

- Reaching the SAFe Tipping Point
- Designing the Implementation
- Launching an ART
- Coaching ART Execution
- Extending to the Portfolio
- Sustaining and Improving
- Becoming a SAFe 4 Program Consultant (SPC)

What Attendees Get

The class registration includes:

- Attendee workbook
- Preparation and eligibility to take the SAFe 4 Program Consultant (SPC) exam
- One-year membership to the SAFe Community Platform
- Course certificate of completion

Attendees must attend all four days of the course in order to qualify for the exam.

Prerequisites

All stakeholders in a Lean-Agile transformation are welcome to attend the course, regardless of experience.

However, the following prerequisites are highly recommended for those who intend to take the SAFe® 4 Program Consultant exam and practice as a Certified SAFe® 4 Program Consultant (SPC):

- 5+ years of experience in software development, testing, business analysis, product, or project management
- 3+ years of experience in Agile
- One or more relevant Agile certifications

SAFe Certification Kit

Attendees who pass the exam will receive:

- SAFe Program Consultant (SPC) certificate
- A SAFe 4 Program Consultant digital badge to promote your accomplishment online

- A one-year certified membership as a SAFe Program Consultant, which includes access to the SPC Community of Practice
- A SAFe Program Consultant certification usage guide with SPC certification
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- Access to online Trainer Enablement plans to qualify to teach and certify others in Leading SAFe (SAFe Agilist SA), SAFe Product Owner/Product Manager (POPM), SAFe Scrum Master (SSM), SAFe Advanced Scrum Master (SASM), and SAFe for Teams (SAFe Practitioner (SP)
- Access to a variety of learning resources to support certified professionals during and throughout their SAFe journey

Annual Renewal

Certificates expire one year from the date the certification is earned.

Renewal fee is $895

Exam Details

- **Exam name** – SAFe 4 Program Consultant Exam.
- **Exam format** – Multiple choice.
- **Exam delivery** – Web-based (single-browser), closed book, no outside assistance, timed.
- **Exam access** – Candidates can access the exam within the SAFe Community Platform upon completion of the Implementing SAFe course.
- **Exam duration** – Once the exam begins, candidates have 120 minutes (2 hours) to complete the exam.
- **Number of questions** – 60.
- **Passing score** – 45 out of 60 (75% pass rate).
- **Language** – English.
- **Exam cost** – First exam attempt is included as part of the course registration fee if the exam is taken within 30 days of course completion. Each retake attempt costs $250.
- **Retake policy** – Second attempt on exam (first retake) can be done immediately after first attempt. Third attempt requires a 10-day wait. Fourth attempt requires a 30-day wait. Contact support@scaledagile.com for any retake questions.

Professional Development Units (PDUs) and Scrum Education Units (SEUs)

Attendees may be eligible to apply for 30 PDUs toward their continuing education requirements with the Project Management Institute (PMI) for PMP, PgMP, and PMIACP certifications

Attendees may be eligible to apply for SEUs under category C, toward earning or renewing their CSP through Scrum Alliance

| Activity Number | SAFeSPC | Duration | 4 days | |
PMI Certification	Technical	Leadership	Strategic	Total
PMP®	19.5	7.5	3	30
PgMP®	19.5	7.5	3	30
PMI_RMP®	0	7.5	3	10.5
PMI_SP®	0	7.5	3	10.5
PMI_ACP®	19.5	7.5	3	30
PfMP®	0	7.5	3	10.5
PMI_PBAsm	0	7.5	3	10.5