

# Project Planning and Control Qualifications



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## Planning, Scheduling, Monitoring and Control Handbook

The Planning Scheduling Monitoring and Control handbook is a comprehensive guide for anyone involved in planning, scheduling and controlling projects, the perfect addition to APMG's Project Planning and Control certification.

Prior to attending the course, we recommend that candidates spend time reading the chapter introductions to ensure they have a basic understanding of topics. This ensures the trainer spends their time giving detailed explanations of project planning and control.

The guide is written in plain English – so even if this is your first experience in the field of planning and controls you should feel comfortable reading, understanding and working towards success.

The Planning Scheduling Monitoring and Control handbook is written to be accessible to all levels – from student to senior project managers – it gives practical guidance on all planning aspects of preparing to undertake a project, executing a project, controlling its delivery to budget, time and quality, and delivering it safely.

### **Among the main topics covered are:**

- Planning techniques and approaches
- Budgeting and cost control
- Scheduling practices
- Building networks
- Resourcing
- Scheduling checks
- Management of baselines
- Performance reporting and record keeping

# Project Planning and Control Foundation

The Project Planning and Control Foundation supports the publication of the APM's guide, 'Planning, Scheduling, Monitoring and Control – The Practical Project Management of Time, Cost and Risk.'

The book is the APM's first comprehensive set of guidance and best practice for project planning and control and is applicable across all industries and sectors.

The Foundation-level qualification aims to measure whether the candidate has sufficient knowledge and understanding of the Project Planning and Control guidance to be able to act as an informed member of a Project Support Office or Project Planning and Control team. The Foundation qualification is also a pre-requisite for the Practitioner qualification.

The intention of the certification is to help raise understanding so that standards can be set by organisations against a common text to ensure that they can assure a set standard and aim for best practice as well as get value for money from their projects. Above all the intention is to provide greater certainty over project delivery.

A ByteSize introduction to **Project Planning and Control Foundation**

**Accreditation:**  
APM Group

**Foundation:**  
Introductory level

**Duration:**

- 3 days in a classroom or 10-12 hours online

**Foundation exam format:**

- Multiple choice
- 50% pass mark
- 40 minutes
- Closed book

**Our pass rate:**  
99%

**Our reviews:**  
5 stars

# Project Planning and Control Practitioner

The purpose of the Practitioner qualification is to confirm whether the candidate has achieved sufficient understanding of the theory and application of the tools and techniques to allow them to work successfully in a Project Support team environment.

They should be capable of applying and assessing the tools and techniques independently but will have a team around them and advice and support available as required.

A successful Practitioner candidate should, with suitable direction, be able to start applying the method to a real project but may not be sufficiently skilled to do this appropriately for all situations.

A ByteSize introduction to **Project Planning and Control Practitioner**

**Accreditation:**  
APM Group

**Practitioner:**  
Intermediate level - minimum three years experience in a planning and monitoring role

**Duration:**  
2 days in a classroom or  
15-20 hours online

**Practitioner exam format:**

- 8 objective multiple choice questions
- 50% pass mark
- 3 hours
- Open book

**Our reviews:**  
5 stars

# Learning outcomes

**Successful Foundation candidates** will understand the key principles and terminology within the Project Planning and Control guidance. Specifically the candidate should understand:

- The approaches and products used to gain a clear definition of a project
- The approaches and techniques used to plan and close a project
- The selection and use of appropriate scheduling techniques
- The practices used for rigorous monitoring to enable proactive control of the project
- The basis for good record keeping, which also facilitates the virtuous feedback and learning cycle

**Successful Practitioner candidates** will understand the key techniques, principles and terminology within Project Planning and Control. Specifically the candidate should be able to use, interpret or assess:

- The approaches and key products used to gain a clear definition of a project
- The approaches and techniques used to plan and close a project
- The scheduling techniques and appropriate presentation of the outputs
- The management of risk in the planning, execution and evaluation of a project
- The practices and data used for rigorous monitoring to enable proactive control of the project

# Benefits for your organisation

- Technical competence of team members
- Improved quality of schedules leading to more certainty in project delivery
- Greater predictability of project forecasting and success
- Higher levels of integration between controls functions i.e. cost and time

# Benefits for your employees

- Understanding of minimum standards and best practice
- Guidance on how to comply with Works Information requirements laid out in contracts
- Learn lessons from a wide base of delivery organisations
- Benefit from a broad perspective of experienced controls practitioners

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*I recently used the Project Planning and Control online training to get certification that I needed for my next role.*

*The course was easy to follow, and Amelia sorted out any extra resources that I needed. John provided telephone support when I had a technical question, and I passed both exams with flying colours.*

*Very happy to recommend the team at Training ByteSize, and the pricing was very competitive.*

**James**

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