

# Agile Project Management Foundation and Practitioner

As the pace of change accelerates and pressure continues to build for businesses to be innovative and deliver greater value, traditional project management methods that may have worked in more stable and predictable environments become much less reliable. The project management team needs to be able to keep pace, and respond quickly whilst at the same time demonstrating control and reliability. Agile Project Management offers a practical and repeatable methodology, which combines the discipline of a process covering the whole project lifecycle with the real-life practicality afforded by a flexible and more collaborative approach.

Based on the proven fundamentals within DSDM Atern, the new certification provides standards, rigour and visibility around project management, whilst at the same time enabling a focus on early delivery of benefits through collaboration and empowerment of the team.

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## What you will learn

The course is focused on helping people gain a practical understanding of Agile Project Management and how to apply this within their working environments. It will also prepare candidates for the Foundation and Practitioner exams.

The main areas covered are:

### *The fundamentals*

- What is Agile Project Management?
- Why use this approach?
- When to use Agile Project Management
- Core principles

### *The lifecycle*

- Agile Project Management framework
- Configuring the Agile project lifecycle

### *The deliverables*

- Management products
- Business products
- Technical products

### *The project team structure*

- Agile project roles and responsibilities
- Empowerment and leadership styles

### *The practices*

- Facilitated workshops
- MoSCoW prioritisation
- Modelling
- Iterative development
- Timeboxing

### *Project management and control*

- Agile planning
- Agile risk management
- Agile estimating
- Agile measurement
- Agile control mechanisms
- Agile configuration management
- Agile requirements
- Agile testing
- Agile quality management and control
- Ensuring maintainability and scalability

## Obtaining the qualification

There are 2 levels to this qualification; Foundation and Practitioner. The first 3 days cover the syllabus and exam for the Foundation level. The exam consists of a 1 hour multiple-choice paper, with 60 questions. The Practitioner exam is a 2 hour multiple-choice paper comprising 4 sections based on a given scenario. This is an open-book exam, with a pass mark of 50%.

The Agile Project Management Handbook provides the basis for this qualification. The awarding body for the qualification is the APM Group. There are no prerequisites for taking the course, but pre-course study is required to help you fully prepare for the course and the exam.



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## Duration and where the course is held

Duration: **4 days**

The first 3 days cover the main syllabus and exam for the Foundation level. The 4<sup>th</sup> day is an opportunity to revisit any of the syllabus areas and practise sample questions to prepare for the Practitioner exam, which is taken on the afternoon of the 4<sup>th</sup> day.

The venue is the **Hilton Hotel**, Bagshot Road, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG12 0QJ. As a course participant you will have free access to the health club facilities. With the residential option, all evening meals are included.

The cost of the course is **£1,295 +vat** for the non-residential option and **£1,490 +vat** for the residential option. Both options include all course materials, including the Agile Project Management Handbook, the exam fees, lunch and refreshments during the day.



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## Our exam guarantee

Although we have a proven track record with exceptional pass rates, we appreciate that for some people taking exams can be a worry. To help you relax and make the most of the course, we offer an exam guarantee. You can re-take either of the exams entirely free-of-charge, and have the option of repeating the course at half-price rates.

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## Who should attend?

If you are a project manager or team leader and either responsible for, or involved in, implementing projects then this course is for you. You will learn about a wide range of tools and methods, and gain fresh skills and a new-found confidence to manage projects successfully in an agile way.

## Course benefits

*For individuals* – individuals taking the course will be able to develop their understanding of the subject and identify the differing demands between traditional project management and Agile Project Management. They will have increased confidence in applying the Agile Project Management framework and have greater choices in adopting different styles of project management as appropriate.

*For organisations* – the Agile Project Management framework encourages greater focus on business involvement and early delivery of business benefits. This means the customer will be more willing to claim ownership of what is delivered and the risk of delivering the wrong solution is greatly reduced. The business will see a quicker return on investment and experience more consistent, reliable and timely delivery.

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## Why choose ChangeQuest?

- Our focus is on your issues, making the course highly relevant and practical, so you get greater value for your investment
- The course has been designed with you 'the learner' in mind and not the course syllabus to be covered. We specialise in using innovative learning techniques to suit different learning styles and create an environment which will challenge you whilst keeping it enjoyable and fun
- We're highly trained in project management, change management, neuro linguistic programming (nlp) and facilitation skills, and share this rich mix of experience with you to help make your experience unique and inspirational
- We don't just talk about theory, we 'walk the talk'. With over 20 years' business experience, we have repeatedly demonstrated how applying these tools and techniques can help achieve outstanding results
- Full support is provided, before, during and after the course, so that you get the best possible results from your ChangeQuest training

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## How to book on the course or find out more

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