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1. General**1.1. Validity**

All ISTQB 2012 Advanced Level examinations run after 19 October 2013 shall comply with the structure and rules described in this document, regardless of language and media.

1.2. Purpose

This document contains structure and rules for the setup of examinations related to the ISTQB 2012 Advanced Level syllabi.

1.3. Scope

This document covers:

- the number of questions per examination;
- the length of the examination;
- the distribution of questions per topic (chapter); and
- the distribution of questions per cognitive level.

1.4. References

[QWRR_2011] ISTQB - Question Writing Rules & Recommendations Version 2011-1

[CTAL_2012] ISTQB 2012 Advanced Syllabi

1.5. Document Responsibility

General responsibility for this document is under the ISTQB Examination Working Group.

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2. Definitions

- CTAL: Acronym for Certified Tester Advanced Level.
- LEARNING OBJECTIVE (LO): Learning objectives describe the gain on cognitive competence to be achieved in relation to given content.
- MC: Multiple-Choice is a form of assessment in which respondents are asked to select the best possible answer (or answers) from the options in a list.

3. Advanced Level Exam Rules

3.1. The 2012 Advanced Level Examinations

- 3.1.1. The 2012 Advanced Level examinations shall be based on the 2012 Advanced Level syllabi [CTAL_2012]. Answers to examination questions may require the use of material from more than one section of these syllabi.
- 3.1.2. All learning objectives (on cognitive levels K1 to K4) in the syllabus are examinable.

3.2. General Advanced Level Exam Structure

- 3.2.1. Each examination module (i.e. Test Manager, Test Analyst and Technical Test Analyst) shall comprise a set of multiple-choice questions based on the Learning Objectives for that specific syllabus. The level of coverage and distribution of questions has been based on the Learning Objectives, their K-levels, and their level of importance as evaluated by the ISTQB. Details on the structure for each examination module are provided in section 3.5 below.
- 3.2.2. The points available for a question should reflect the difficulty of the question. A K2 question is to be allocated 1 point. In general, a K3 question should be allocated 2 points and a K4 question should be allocated 3 points. However, K3 questions may be set at 1, 2, or 3 points, and K4 questions may be set at 2 or 3 points at the discretion of the question author.
- A more difficult question may require the examinee to have a deeper or more nuanced understanding of the material. A less difficult question may be one where the answer is more straightforward.
- 3.2.3. In general, K2 questions are expected to take 2 minutes to read and answer, K3 questions are expected to take 3 minutes and K4 questions are expected to take 4 minutes. The exam setter should keep in mind that this is only a guideline for an average time, and that it is likely that some questions will take longer and others will take less time for examinees to complete.

- 3.2.4. The time allowed for each examination is based on the number and K-level of questions required for that module. If the candidate's native language is not the examination language, the candidate is allowed an additional 25%.

| Module | Number of questions | Exam Length (in minutes) | Exam Length + 25% (in minutes) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Advanced Test Manager | 65 | 180 | 225 |
| Advanced Test Analyst | 60 | 180 | 225 |
| Advanced Technical Test Analyst | 45 | 120 | 150 |

3.3. Passing Score

- 3.3.1. A score of at least 65% is required to pass.

3.4. Specific Rules

- 3.4.1. For the rules and recommendations for writing multiple-choice questions see the ISTQB - Question Writing Rules & Recommendations [QWRR_2011].
- 3.4.2. All questions shall assess at least one Learning Objective from the Advanced Syllabus under examination. Questions may include supporting material at the K1 level from the rest of the syllabus, incorporate concepts from Foundation syllabus LOs and/or include other Foundation syllabus material at the K1 level. Where questions address more than one LO, then the question should primarily address the highest K-Level LO.

3.5. Question Distribution

- 3.5.1. The exam structures for each of the three modules (i.e. Test Manager, Test Analyst and Technical Test Analyst) are provided in the following tables. Each of the exams requires mandatory questions targeted to specific Learning Objectives. In addition, the Test Manager and Test Analyst exams also require the inclusion of a specified number of additional questions based on "selectable" Learning Objectives.

3.5.2. Advanced Level Test Manager Exam Structure

| Chapter & LO | Number of Questions per LO | Number of Questions per Chapter |
|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Chapter 1 | | |
| TM-1.2.1 (K4) | 2 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (13), a maximum of ONE question MAY be |
| TM-1.3.1 (K3) | 2 | |

| | | |
|------------------|---|--|
| TM-1.3.2 (K2) | 1 | written for the selectable LO marked with an asterisk. |
| TM-1.4.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.5.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.6.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.7.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-1.8.1 (K2) | * | |
| TM-1.8.2 (k3) | 1 | |
| Chapter 1 TOTAL | | 13 mandatory (+ max 1 selectable) = minimum 13 questions and maximum 14 questions |
| Chapter 2 | | |
| TM-2.2.1 (K4) | 2 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (24), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the three remaining selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TM-2.2.2 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.2.3 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.3.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.3.3 (K4) | 2 | |
| TM-2.3.4 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.3.5 (K2) | * | |
| TM-2.4.1 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-2.4.2 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-2.4.3 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.4.4 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-2.5.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-2.5.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.6.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.6.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.6.3 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.7.1 (K2) | * | |
| TM-2.7.2 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-2.8.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.9.1 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 2 TOTAL | | 24 mandatory (+ minimum 1 selectable) = minimum 25 questions |
| Chapter 3 | | |
| TM-3.2.1 (K2) | 1 | Exactly SIX questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TM-3.3.1 (K4) | 2 | |
| TM-3.3.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-3.4.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-3.5.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 3 TOTAL | | 6 mandatory questions |
| Chapter 4 | | |
| TM-4.2.1 (K3) | 1 | Exactly FOUR questions, as specified by LO, are required for |

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| TM-4.2.2 (K2) | 1 | this chapter. |
| TM-4.3.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-4.4.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 4 TOTAL | | 4 mandatory questions |
| Chapter 5 | | |
| TM-5.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the single mandatory question specified by individual LO, a minimum of TWO questions MUST be written against two the remaining five selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TM-5.3.1 (K3) | * | |
| TM-5.4.1 (K2) | * | |
| TM-5.5.1 (K2) | * | |
| TM-5.6.1 (K2) | * | |
| TM-5.7.1 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 5 TOTAL | | 1 mandatory (+ minimum 2 selectable) = minimum 3 questions |
| Chapter 6 | | |
| TM-6.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (4), a maximum of ONE question MAY be written for the selectable LO marked with an asterisk. |
| TM-6.2.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-6.2.3 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-6.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-6.4.1 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 6 TOTAL | | 4 mandatory (+ max 1 selectable) = minimum 4 questions and maximum 5 questions |
| Chapter 7 | | |
| TM-7.2.1 (K4) | 2 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (6), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the remaining two selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TM-7.2.2 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-7.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-7.4.1 (K2) | * | |
| TM-7.5.1 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-7.6.1 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 7 TOTAL | | 6 mandatory (+ minimum 1 selectable) = minimum 7 questions |
| ATM TOTAL | | 58 mandatory + 7 selectable = 65 questions |
| NOTES: | | |
| Each 'selectable' LO may have no more than one question written against it in any one examination. | | |
| Depending on the selectable LOs chosen, the calculated time for the exam, based on the expected time per question as described in section 3.2.3, will range from 175 to 176 minutes, or an average difference of up to 1 second per question. This time variance is not significant, and the time allowed for the exam shall be set at 180 minutes (+25% for non-native language examinees). | | |
| The total number of points for this exam should be set at exactly 115 points. Therefore, a minimum of <u>75 points</u> is required to achieve a passing score. | | |

3.5.3. Advanced Level Test Analyst Exam Structure

| Chapter & LO | Number of Questions per LO | Number of questions per Chapter |
|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Chapter 1 | | |
| TA-1.2.1 (K2) | * | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (6), a minimum of <u>THREE</u> questions MUST be written against three of the remaining six selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TA-1.3.1 (K2) | 2 | |
| TA-1.4.1 (K4) | * | |
| TA-1.5.1 (K2) | * | |
| TA-1.5.2 (K4) | 1 | |
| TA-1.6.1 (K2) | * | |
| TA-1.7.1 (K3) | * | |
| TA-1.8.1 (K2) | 3 | |
| TA-1.9.1 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 1 TOTAL | | 6 mandatory (+ minimum 3 selectable) = minimum 9 questions |
| Chapter 2 | | |
| TA-2.2.1 (K2) | * | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (2), a minimum of <u>ONE</u> question MUST be written against one of the remaining two selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TA-2.3.1 (K2) | * | |
| TA-2.4.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| Chapter 2 TOTAL | | 2 mandatory (+ minimum 1 selectable) = minimum 3 questions |
| Chapter 3 | | |
| TA-3.2.1 (K2) | * | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (29), a minimum of <u>TWO</u> questions MUST be written against two of the remaining five selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TA-3.2.2 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.3 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.4 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.5 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.6 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.7 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.8 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.9 (K2) | * | |
| TA-3.2.10 (K3) | * | |
| TA-3.2.11 (K4) | 3 | |
| TA-3.3.1 (K2) | * | |
| TA-3.3.2 (K4) | * | |
| TA-3.4.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TA-3.4.2 (K3) | 1 | |
| TA-3.4.3 (K4) | 3 | |
| Chapter 3 TOTAL | | 29 specified (+ minimum 2 selectable) = minimum 31 questions |

| Chapter 4 | | |
|---|---|---|
| TA-4.2.1 (K2) | * | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (3), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the remaining three selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TA-4.2.2 (K2) | * | |
| TA-4.2.3 (K2) | * | |
| TA-4.2.4 (K4) | 3 | |
| Chapter 4 TOTAL | | 3 mandatory (+ 1 minimum selectable) = minimum 4 questions |
| Chapter 5 | | |
| TA-5.1.1 (K2) | * | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (4), a maximum of ONE question MAY be written for the selectable LO (marked with an asterisk.). |
| TA-5.2.1 (K4) | 2 | |
| TA-5.2.2 (K4) | 2 | |
| Chapter 5 TOTAL | | 4 mandatory (+ 1 maximum selectable) = minimum 4 and maximum 5 questions |
| Chapter 6 | | |
| TA-6.2.1 (K2) | * | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (3), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the remaining three selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TA-6.3.1 (K2) | * | |
| TA-6.4.1 (K4) | 3 | |
| TA-6.5.1 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 6 TOTAL | | 3 mandatory (+ 1 minimum selectable) = minimum 4 questions |
| Chapter 7 | | |
| TA-7.2.1 (K2) | * | There are <u>no</u> questions specified by individual LO for this chapter, but a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the three selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). |
| TA-7.2.2 (K2) | * | |
| TA-7.2.3 (K2) | * | |
| Chapter 7 TOTAL | | minimum 1 selectable question |
| TA TOTAL | | 47 mandatory + 13 selectable = 60 questions |
| NOTES: | | |
| Each 'selectable' LO may have no more than one question written against it in any one examination. | | |
| Depending on the selectable LOs chosen, the calculated time for the exam, based on the expected time per question as described in section 3.2.3, will range from 178 to 182 minutes, or an average difference of up to 4 seconds per question. This time variance is not significant, and the time allowed for the exam shall be set at 180 minutes (+25% for non-native language examinees). | | |
| The total number of points for this exam should be set at exactly 120 points. Therefore, a minimum of <u>78 points</u> is required to achieve a passing score. | | |

3.5.4. Advanced Level Technical Test Analyst Exam Structure

| Chapter & LO | Number of Questions per LO | Number of questions per Chapter |
|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Chapter 1 | | |
| TTA-1.3.1 (K2) | 1 | Exactly TWO questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TTA-1.x.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 1 TOTAL | | 2 mandatory questions |
| Chapter 2 | | |
| TTA-2.2.1 (K2) | 1 | Exactly NINE questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TTA-2.3.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-2.4.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-2.5.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-2.6.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-2.7.1 (K2) | 2 | |
| TTA-2.8.1 (K4) | 2 | |
| Chapter 2 TOTAL | | 9 mandatory questions |
| Chapter 3 | | |
| TTA-3.2.1 (K3) | 3 | Exactly SEVEN questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TTA-3.2.2 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-3.2.3 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-3.2.4 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-3.3.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| Chapter 3 TOTAL | | 7 mandatory questions |
| Chapter 4 | | |
| TTA-4.2.1 (K4) | 2 | Exactly TWELVE questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TTA-4.3.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-4.4.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-4.5.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-4.x.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-4.x.2 (K3) | 2 | |
| TTA-4.x.3 (K2) | 2 | |
| TTA-4.x.4 (K3) | 2 | |
| Chapter 4 TOTAL | | 12 mandatory questions |

| Chapter 5 | | |
|--|---|--|
| TTA-5.1.1 (K2) | 1 | Exactly FIVE questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TTA-5.2.1 (K4) | 2 | |
| TTA-5.2.2 (K4) | 2 | |
| Chapter 5 TOTAL | | 5 mandatory questions |
| Chapter 6 | | |
| TTA-6.1.1 (K2) | 1 | Exactly TEN questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TTA-6.2.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.2.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.2.3 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.2.4 (K3) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.3.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.3.3 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.3.4 (K2) | 1 | |
| TTA-6.3.5 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 6 TOTAL | | 10 mandatory questions |
| TTA TOTAL | | 45 mandatory questions |
| <p>NOTE:</p> <p>The time allocated for the exam shall be set at 120 minutes (+25% for non-native language examinees). The calculated time for the exam, based on the expected time per question as described in section 3.2.3, is 124 minutes; the variance of 4 minutes equates to 5 seconds per question, which is not considered significant.</p> <p>The total number of points for this exam should be set at 80 points. Therefore, a minimum of <u>52 points</u> is required to achieve a passing score.</p> | | |

4. Appendix A: Example Examination Structures

4.1. Example Advanced Test Manager Exam Structure

The table below contains an example of how a valid Advanced Test Manager examination could be constructed by following the rules listed in section 3.5.2. Selectable LO questions are indicated in **BOLD** text.

| Chapter & LO | Number of Questions per LO | Number of Questions per Chapter |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Chapter 1 | | |
| TM-1.2.1 (K4) | 2 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (13), a maximum of ONE question MAY be written for the selectable LO marked with an asterisk. No selectable LOs were included. |
| TM-1.3.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.3.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-1.4.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.5.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.6.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| TM-1.7.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-1.8.1 (K2) | -- | |
| TM-1.8.2 (K3) | 1 | |
| Chapter 1 TOTAL | | 13 questions |
| Chapter 2 | | |
| TM-2.2.1 (K4) | 2 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (24), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the three remaining selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TM-2.2.2 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.2.3 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.3.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.3.3 (K4) | 2 | |
| TM-2.3.4 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.3.5 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.4.1 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-2.4.2 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-2.4.3 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.4.4 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-2.5.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-2.5.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.6.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.6.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.6.3 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-2.7.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.7.2 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-2.8.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-2.9.1 (K2) | -- | |

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|---|
| Chapter 2 TOTAL | | 26 questions |
| Chapter 3 | | |
| TM-3.2.1 (K2) | 1 | Exactly SIX questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TM-3.3.1 (K4) | 2 | |
| TM-3.3.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-3.4.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-3.5.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 3 TOTAL | | 6 questions |
| Chapter 4 | | |
| TM-4.2.1 (K3) | 1 | Exactly FOUR questions, as specified by LO, are required for this chapter. |
| TM-4.2.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-4.3.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TM-4.4.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 4 TOTAL | | 4 questions |
| Chapter 5 | | |
| TM-5.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the single mandatory question specified by individual LO, a minimum of TWO questions MUST be written against two the remaining five selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TM-5.3.1 (K3) | -- | |
| TM-5.4.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-5.5.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-5.6.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-5.7.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 5 TOTAL | | 5 questions |
| Chapter 6 | | |
| TM-6.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (4), a maximum of ONE question MAY be written for the selectable LO marked with an asterisk No selectable LOs were included. |
| TM-6.2.2 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-6.2.3 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-6.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-6.4.1 (K2) | -- | |
| Chapter 6 TOTAL | | 4 questions |
| Chapter 7 | | |
| TM-7.2.1 (K4) | 2 | In addition to the number of mandatory questions specified by individual LO (6), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the remaining two selectable LOs (those marked with an asterisk). Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TM-7.2.2 (K4) | 1 | |
| TM-7.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TM-7.4.1 (K2) | -- | |
| TM-7.5.1 (K2) | 2 | |
| TM-7.6.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 7 TOTAL | | 7 questions |
| ATM TOTAL | | 58 mandatory + 7 selectable = 65 questions |

4.2. Example Advanced Test Analyst Exam Structure

The table below contains an example of how a valid Advanced Test Analyst examination could be constructed by following the rules listed in section 3.5.3. Selectable LO questions are indicated in BOLD text.

| Chapter & LO | Number of Questions per LO | Number of questions per Chapter |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Chapter 1 | | |
| TA-1.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (6), a minimum of <u>THREE</u> questions MUST be written against three of the remaining six selectable LOs. Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TA-1.3.1 (K2) | 2 | |
| TA-1.4.1 (K4) | -- | |
| TA-1.5.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TA-1.5.2 (K4) | 1 | |
| TA-1.6.1 (K2) | -- | |
| TA-1.7.1 (K3) | 1 | |
| TA-1.8.1 (K2) | 3 | |
| TA-1.9.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| Chapter 1 TOTAL | | 10 questions |
| Chapter 2 | | |
| TA-2.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (2), a minimum of <u>ONE</u> question MUST be written against one of the remaining two selectable LOs. Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TA-2.3.1 (K2) | -- | |
| TA-2.4.1 (K3) | 2 | |
| Chapter 2 TOTAL | | 3 questions |
| Chapter 3 | | |
| TA-3.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (29), a minimum of <u>TWO</u> questions MUST be written against two of the remaining five selectable LOs. Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TA-3.2.2 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.3 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.4 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.5 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.6 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.7 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.8 (K3) | 3 | |
| TA-3.2.9 (K2) | -- | |
| TA-3.2.10 (K3) | 1 | |
| TA-3.2.11 (K4) | 3 | |
| TA-3.3.1 (K2) | -- | |
| TA-3.3.2 (K4) | -- | |
| TA-3.4.1 (K2) | 1 | |

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|--|
| TA-3.4.2 (K3) | 1 | |
| TA-3.4.3 (K4) | 3 | |
| Chapter 3 TOTAL | | 31 questions |
| Chapter 4 | | |
| TA-4.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (3), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the remaining three selectable LOs. |
| TA-4.2.2 (K2) | -- | |
| TA-4.2.3 (K2) | 1 | Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TA-4.2.4 (K4) | 3 | |
| Chapter 4 TOTAL | | 5 questions |
| Chapter 5 | | |
| TA-5.1.1 (K2) | -- | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (4), a maximum of ONE question MAY be written for the selectable LO. |
| TA-5.2.1 | 2 | |
| TA-5.2.2 | 2 | No selectable LOs were included. |
| Chapter 5 TOTAL | | 4 questions |
| Chapter 6 | | |
| TA-6.2.1 (K2) | 1 | In addition to the mandatory questions specified by individual LO (3), a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one of the remaining three selectable LOs. |
| TA-6.3.1 (K2) | 1 | |
| TA-6.4.1 (K4) | 3 | Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| TA-6.5.1 (K2) | -- | |
| Chapter 6 TOTAL | | 5 questions |
| Chapter 7 | | |
| TA-7.2.1 (K2) | 1 | There are <u>no</u> mandatory questions specified by individual LO for this chapter, but a minimum of ONE question MUST be written against one the three selectable LOs. |
| TA-7.2.2 (K2) | -- | |
| TA-7.2.3 (K2) | 1 | Selectable LOs are indicated in bold text. |
| Chapter 7 TOTAL | | 2 questions |
| TA TOTAL | | 47 mandatory + 13 selectable = 60 questions |

4.3. Example Advanced Technical Test Analyst Exam Structure

Please refer to section 3.5.4 for information on how to construct this exam. As there are no selectable LOs indicated for this structure, the table in section 3.5.4 specifically defines the structure.