



WHAT'S NEW?

2011 CPA Exam Review



CPA Product Updates

In addition to our annual content updates, we've made one product change. Kaplan's Self-Study Online Review Course is now referred to as Self-Study Review Course and includes convenient video CDs instead of online videos.

CPA Content Changes

Kaplan's content team conducted our annual quality assurance process, evaluating our materials based on the AICPA's Content Specification Outlines. We do this each year to identify and address any gaps or overages in the material covered. Once this process is complete, we conduct a thorough review of each chapter to evaluate and improve on the content we're providing, and the presentation of that content.

New curriculum changes for 2011:

- New Content and Skill Specification Outlines (CSOs/SSOs) will go into effect for the 2011 Exam. For example, strategic planning and operations management theory have been added to the BEC section of the exam. In addition, the professional responsibilities topic has been added to the AUD section. The new CSOs can be found at www.cpa-exam.org.
- International Standards, including International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), will be integrated into the exam questions in all four sections.
- Business Structures, currently tested in BEC, will be tested in REG.
- Operations Management will be tested in BEC.

Section Weighting Chart

		(AUD) Auditing and Attestation	(BEC) Business Environment and Concepts	(FAR) Financial Accounting and Reporting	(REG) Regulations
Multiple-Choice Questions	Current	70%	100%	70%	70%
	New	60%	85%	60%	60%
Simulations	Current	20%	0%	20%	20%
	New	40%	0%	40%	40%
Writing	Current	10%	0%	10%	10%
	New	0%	15%	0%	0%