



Become a tester

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1. Who is the "Become a tester" training for?

The "Become a tester" training is addressed to both beginners who have no experience in software testing, such as:

- people without experience or education in the field of IT,
- students, graduates in various fields of study,
- people wanting to broaden their knowledge of testing,
- people wanting to retrain,
- others who want to become a software tester,

as well as to those who work as a tester and want to:

- strengthen their knowledge in the field of software testing,
- obtain the ISTQB Foundation certificate.

2. Can a person without experience and education in the field of IT take part in the course?

Yes, people without experience or education in the field of IT can also take part in the course.

3. Is knowledge of English required to take part in the training?

Knowledge of English is not required to take part in the training.

4. How is the "Become a tester" training different from other courses on the market?

Our courses are distinguished by the fact that we have already employed over 50 participants at Sii. This is quite unusual on the training market and confirms high quality of our offer. The course program is prepared by practitioner trainers who are Sii employees.

5. What is the difference between the "Become a tester" and the "Automation tester" trainings?

The work of an automation tester consists in automating the process of software quality verification. A manual tester performs tasks using other tools. The "Become a tester" training is recommended to people without experience in the IT industry who want to retrain. The "Automation tester" training is intended for people with experience in manual testing/programming basics who want to start a career in the field of test

6. What qualifications do trainers conducting the training have?

The trainers are our employees working as testers who are able to pass practical knowledge and share their valuable experience. Our trainers not only provide substantive knowledge, but also show participants how a tester's career path can begin and look like.

7. What training materials do participants receive?

Participants receive an extensive training book, developed by trainers, and publicly available materials, including a syllabus and glossary of ISTQB-related terms. These materials present full scope of the training and allow you to prepare for the ISTQB Foundation exam.

8.

Do graduates receive any certificate or attestation at the end of the course?

After completing the course, we issue a certificate and confirmation of participation in the course, containing a description of the training program. In addition, people who sign up for the ISTQB Foundation exam and achieve a positive result will also receive the international ISTQB Certified Tester Foundation Level certificate.

9.

What are the odds that training graduates will be employed at Sii?

Over 50 training graduates have been employed at Sii. Of course, participation in the training does not guarantee employment in our company. However, the knowledge and skills acquired during the training provide a good basis for starting a career in the IT industry. A training participant interested in working at Sii goes through a standard recruitment process, and the decision to hire them is an individual decision of a given manager and depends on a number of factors, e.g. customer needs, project requirements and knowledge of foreign languages. A completed course and passed ISTQB exam significantly increase employability in the IT industry for sure. We also see that graduates of our courses find employment in other companies in this sector.

10.

Are there any differences between courses in different cities?

We are constantly taking care to ensure the highest quality of our courses, which is why the scope of trainings conducted in all locations is the same. At each location, participants receive the same set of materials. Trainers also go through the same verification process.

11.

In what cities do courses take place?

We currently organize courses in 5 Sii locations: Lublin, Warsaw, Wroclaw, Gdansk and Cracow. We are trying hard to make our trainings available in every major city in Poland.

The ""Become a tester"" course is not available in your city? Don't worry, we also organize trainings online!

12.

Why do trainings in different locations have different prices?

We organize trainings at promotional prices in selected locations. However, this does not affect the scope or quality of the training, which are identical in each location.

13.

Is the scope of online trainings the same as for on-site trainings?

The scope of online trainings is the same as for on-site trainings. The only difference is that during online trainings participants learn about the practical aspects of a tester's work remotely. The trainer adjusts the pace of work to the group's level of knowledge. During our course you will learn how a tester's work looks like and get to know the most important tools used in this profession.

14.

What internet connection should you have to take part in the online training?

Broadband internet access with a bandwidth of at least 25/5 Mb/s is required (download/upload). In the case of weaker connection, we do not guarantee that the training participant will be able to do all exercises.

15.

What are the system requirements to be able to take part in the online training?

A desktop computer or notebook equipped with a microphone and speakers is required.

16.

What software do I need to install on my computer to participate in the online training?

It is required to have an active account on Microsoft.com and to install a free Microsoft Teams app:
<https://products.office.com/pl-pl/microsoft-teams/free>

17.

Is the ISTQB exam obligatory for training participants?

Taking the exam is not obligatory. However, it is strongly recommended because the ISTQB Foundation certificate confirms having the knowledge and skills necessary to work as a tester. Holders of this certificate have a much better chance of starting a career as a software tester.

18.

I didn't decide to take the ISTQB exam while signing up for the training. Can I sign up later?

Yes. During and after the training, you can decide to take the ISTQB exam (at the latest one week before the planned exam).

19.

In which language can I take the ISTQB exam?

The ISTQB exam can be taken in Polish or English. Regardless of the language version, a certificate in both language versions is issued after passing the exam.

20.

If I fail the ISTQB exam, can I try again? If so, does the price remain the same?

It is possible to take the ISTQB exam once again. The price of the exam remains the same.

21.

How long is the ISTQB certificate valid?

The ISTQB certificate is valid indefinitely.

22.

Does the course price include access to the platform with materials that can be used to practice at home?

Yes, when purchasing the online training, participants get a 30-day free access to the Modern Tester platform. In the case of on-site trainings, the access to the platform is paid.

23.

How is the scope of the training related to the courses available on the Modern Tester platform?

Created by testers for testers, the repository contains courses that will help you learn more about the most-needed tools and technologies currently used in testing. All training materials are based on applications created at Sii. Our specialists, using their experience, have developed a set of courses that meets the current market needs and includes technologies in the field of manual and automatic testing. The Modern Tester platform is a perfect addition to the training, which will help further expand the knowledge and skills acquired during the course.

24.

What are the costs of accessing the Modern Tester platform?

The standard cost of a 30-day access is PLN 500 gross. For participants of the "Become a tester" training, we offer a 50% discount, so the final price is PLN 250 gross. For participants of online trainings a 30-day access is free.

25.

Is payment for the training one-off? Is it possible to split payments into installments?

Payment for the training is one-off. It is not possible to split payments into installments.

26.**Is it possible to issue an invoice to a company?**

We can issue an invoice. If an invoice has been indicated for issuing, the payment should be made from the account of the person/company to whom the invoice is to be issued.

27.**When should I pay for the course?**

Payment must be made within 10 business days before the start of the training.

28.**Do you offer discounts on trainings?**

The prices of our courses are very attractive. We also offer promotions in selected locations. In addition, we offer a 10% discount for Sii employees. We also offer a 10% discount for all registered participants if more than 3 people are registered at once. Discounts apply only to participation in the training. The ISTQB exam price is fixed and cannot be discounted.