



## APJC NetAcad Riders FAQ

The APJC (Asia Pacific, Japan, and Greater China) NetAcad Riders competition is an interactive networking skills contest that enhances classroom learning, unites students from across the region, and promotes further technology education and training. Organized by Cisco, the competitions are a great opportunity for Networking Academy students to learn valuable Networking/IT skills through a series of online exams and simulation activities using Cisco Packet Tracer. The 2022 Challenge is open to students currently or recently enrolled (1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022) in a Cisco Networking Academy CCNA v7.0 course. There is no age restrictions for students participating in the NetAcad Riders

### Benefits of NetAcad Riders

- Recognition for outstanding achievement
- Hands-on practice and experience in a competitive environment
- Career opportunities and internships through increased visibility
- Opportunities to engage with students across the region

### Who is eligible?

The competition is open only to students who meet all the following requirements:

Students currently or recently enrolled (**1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**) in a Cisco Networking Academy CCNA v7.0 course module (ITN/SRWE/ENSA)

Examples: 1) *I am a student currently undertaking CCNA v7 Module 2. Am I eligible?*

*Yes, since the date falls between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022*

2) *I am a student who completed CCNA v7 Module 1 in Feb 2021.*

*Yes, since the date falls between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022*

3) *My institution is a new Cisco Networking Academy, and my instructor is Planning to start the CCNA v7 Module 1 on 30th March 2022.*

*Yes, Since the date falls between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 and 31st March 2022*

1. The student must be a resident and currently residing in the country/region they will be representing in the APJC. The following country residents are eligible to compete, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Vietnam, China, Hong Kong, Macau, Mongolia, and Taiwan.
2. The competition is offered in **English** and **Simplified Chinese**
3. The students do not need Cisco Equipment to participate in the competition, however they will require Packet Tracer 8, a computer and webcam to join the Cisco Webex for Rounds 2 & 3.
4. A student may only represent one academy which is where they are currently study or recently completed the CCNA 7.0 course.
5. Instructors and those working at Cisco either as a direct employee or through a third-party vendor with a Cisco email and/or badge are **not eligible** to compete in any NetAcad Riders competition and will be disqualified.
6. Competitors who do not meet the above requirements will be disqualified from the competition.

## How many rounds are there in the competition?

There are 3 rounds of the competition.

### Round 1:

The first round will be conducted by Cisco Networking Academies. The academies wanting to run a round 1 competition will need to request a question file which will be provided to instructors by the NetAcad Country Manager. The academies will conduct their competition and provide the names of the winners to progress to round 2 of the competition

### ALTERNATIVELY

Instructor may nominate students to participate in round 2. If this option is chosen by the academy, then there is no need to conduct the quiz, and a direct nomination of students will be accepted to round 2.

Round 1 must be completed and the list of students who are eligible for round 2 must be given by 27th April 2022 (Greater China Region) and 29th April (rest of APJ region).

The academy may nominate one student for every 100 class participants in CCNA V7 they have taught during the period 1st of January 2021 – 31st March 2022 courses. A maximum of 10 students may compete in Round 2 for any one academy:

### CCNA Class participants vs. # of Seats for Round 2

1 -100 CCNA Class Participant (CP)
101-200 CCNA CP->2 seats
201-300 CCNA CP-> 3 seats
301-400 CCNA CP -> 4 seats
401-500 CCNA CP -> 5 seats
501-600 CCNA CP -> 6 seats
601-700CCNA CP -> 7 seats
701-800 CCNA CP -> 8 seats
801-900 CCNA CP ->9 seats
901+ CCNA Class Participant -> 10 seats

### Round 2:

The second round will be conducted virtually (via Cisco Webex) in the month of April, and will be:

- Multiple Choice Questions.
- 75 questions designed to be answered in 90 minutes (NB> There will be no negative marking in any of the rounds)

The dates of the 2nd round for different regions are as follows

- **27th April 2022** - Greater China Group - (12noon - 2pm - Beijing (GMT+8))
- **29th April 2022** – ANZ, ASEAN, Japan & Korea Group (11am - 1pm - Singapore (GMT+8))
- **29th April 2022** – India & Sth Asia Group (12noon – 2pm - India (GMT+5:30))

### Round 3:

The third round will be conducted virtually (via Cisco Webex) in the month of May. The top country scorers from Round 2 will be invited to represent their country/region in the APJC final NetAcad Riders 2022. The final round will be:

- Packet Tracer Activity to be answered in 90 minutes.
- 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022

The student who gains the maximum score will be selected as the winner. In the event of a tie, there will be a tie breaker question to complete.

## Recognition for Winners?

- Trophies will be awarded at the country/region level for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placed winners. Further Certificate recognition will be given to competitors in Round 2 for the following:
  - Gold Certificate (Top 5% in Round 2)
  - Silver Certificate (Next 10% in Round 2) and
  - Bronze Certificate (Next 15% in Round 2)

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