Certification Overview
Successfully obtaining this certification enables and validates the candidate’s ability to apply the knowledge and skills required to effectively administer a VxRail appliance in order to efficiently leverage the platform to solve business problems. The certification supports the skills needed to successfully work within environments undergoing digital and IT Transformations.

Certification Requirements
To complete the requirements for this certification you must:

1. Achieve one of the following Associate level certifications*
   - Associate – Converged Systems and Hybrid Cloud Version 1.0
   - Associate – Converged Systems and Hybrid Cloud Version 2.0
   - Associate – Cloud Infrastructure and Services Version 3.0

2. Pass the following Implementation Exam
   - DES-6332 Specialist - Systems Administrator, VxRail Appliance Exam

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Overview
This exam is a qualifying exam for the Specialist – Systems Administrator, VxRail Appliance (DCS-SA) track.

This exam focuses on the overall product, hardware, and software components within a VxRail appliance. This includes a CI/HCI benefits, components, appliance management, provisioning, monitoring, REST API, and maintaining with standard activities and troubleshooting.

Dell Technologies provides free practice tests to assess your knowledge in preparation for the exam. Practice tests allow you to become familiar with the topics and question types you will find on the proctored exam. Your results on a practice test offer one indication of how prepared you are for the proctored exam and can highlight topics on which you need to study and train further. A passing score on the practice test does not guarantee a passing score on the certification exam.

Products
Products likely to be referred to on this exam include but are not limited to:

- Dell EMC VxRail Appliance 4.7
- Dell EMC PowerEdge Servers
- VMware vSphere 6.7
- VMware vSAN 6.7
- VMware vCenter 6.7

Exam Topics
Topics likely to be covered on this exam include:

VxRail System Architecture (18%)
- Describe the VxRail hardware components
- Describe the VxRail software components
- Identify VxRail network requirements

VxRail Availability and Management (29%)
- Describe VxRail availability features including stretched clusters
- Explain nature and use of VxRail management interfaces
- Describe VxRail configuration after the initial setup has been completed
- Use the VxRail Plug-in to monitor and perform administrative tasks
- Describe VxRail Roles and Permissions

VxRail Expansion and Maintenance (18%)
- Describe how a VxRail Appliance can be expanded - Drive Expansion and Cluster Expansion
- Perform Software Upgrade and Log Collection
- Identify the supported VxRail maintenance procedures and troubleshooting resources
vSAN Management (24%)
- Describe how to monitor vSAN components and manage a vSAN cluster
- Describe vSAN availability considerations and how to increase space efficiency
- Describe how vSAN policies are configured

Virtualization Management (6%)
- Describe vSphere concepts and options for managing VMs and Virtual Networks
- Describe the Dell EMC OMNI plug-in for VMware vCenter and its use cases

VxRail Appliance REST API (6%)
- Identify REST API functionality available in the VxRail and use VxRail API to perform tasks.

The percentages after each topic above reflect the approximate distribution of the total question set across the exam.

Recommended Training
The following curriculum is recommended for candidates preparing to take this exam.

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