Exam MS-200: Planning and Configuring a Messaging Platform – Skills Measured

NOTE: The bullets that appear below each of the skills measured are intended to illustrate how we are assessing that skill. This list is not definitive or exhaustive.

NOTE: In most cases, exams do NOT cover preview features, and some features will only be added to an exam when they are GA (General Availability).

Manage modern messaging infrastructure (45-50%)

Manage databases

- plan mailbox database requirements
- create mailbox databases
- configure mailbox databases
- troubleshoot mailbox databases

Manage Database Availability Groups (DAGs)

- plan DAG settings and members
- create a DAG
- manage DAG members
- deploy and manage site resilience
- test a database and datacenter failover scenario
- troubleshoot DAG problems
- evaluate Exchange services health

Manage and implement client access

- plan namespaces
- plan high availability for client access
- configure virtual directories and URLs
- configure client access policies
- configure client access rules
- configure Autodiscover for Exchange
- troubleshoot client access connectivity problems
- manage Exchange certificates lifecycle

Manage disaster recovery
• plan backup and recovery strategy
• implement and perform backups
• restore servers, databases, and mailboxes

**Manage messaging infrastructure lifecycle**

• plan Exchange Server installation
• prepare Active Directory (AD) for Exchange
• install and update Exchange services

**Manage mail flow topology (35-40%)**

**Plan the transport pipeline**

• plan transport architecture
• design for multi-site mail flow
• plan a high availability mail flow solution

**Manage connectors**

• plan connectors
• create Send and Receive connectors
• configure connectors

**Manage mail flow**

• manage transport rules
• manage domains
• manage hybrid mail flow
• implement a multi-site mail flow

**Troubleshoot mail flow problems**

• validate inbound and outbound mail flow
• examine message trace
• configure message tracking
• analyze message headers with the remote connectivity analyzer
• handle Non-Deliverable Reports (NDRs)
• investigate transport logs
• monitor mail flow

**Manage recipients and devices (15-20%)**

**Manage recipient resources**
• manage archive mailboxes
• manage resource mailboxes
• manage distribution and security groups
• manage mailboxes
• manage mailbox permissions
• configure mailbox policies
• manage shared mailboxes
• evaluate license options

Manage mobile devices

• configure mobile device mailbox policies
• configure and manage Outlook mobile
• manage mobile device access