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