

ICAEW Suggested Routes

To support your learning journey, we have outlined the recommended exam pathways below.

Option 1

Certificate papers first.

Professional paper pairings as follows:

FCS + ARR (sometimes FCS first on its own).

TCP + BDS

CFS + CRDA

Advanced papers usually paired together.

Option 2

Certificate and professional papers paired alongside.

Certificate papers ACF, ARF, SAE and BIP with professional papers FCS + ARR (sometimes FCS first on its own).

Then certificate papers TXF or BLW.

Then professional papers

TCP + BDS

CFS + CRDA

Advanced papers usually paired together.

Option 3: Fast Track (AAT qualified)

Need to check exemptions for confirmation.

Usually, certificate papers BLW and ARF.

For new Level 4 AAT completers, BLW + TXF (if have not completed level 3 or 4 AAT Tax).

Then professional papers

FCS (only if completed level 4 as non-apprentice) + ARR

TCP + BDS

CFS + CRDA

Advanced papers usually paired together.