

CERTIFICATE IN CLIMATE AND INVESTING

3RD EDITION

Official Training Manual

High level change summary

- Edition 3 of the CFA UK Level 4 Certificate in Climate and Investing Official Training Manual is valid for testing between 1st July 2024 – 30 June 2025.
- The following table shows the key, high level changes to Edition 3 of the Official Training Manual and should be read in conjunction with the tracked changes syllabus document.

Chapter	
1	Introduction Climate and Investing
	<p>Section 1.1: Minor updates applied, including content on the record-breaking weather events of 2023.</p> <p>Content on retail products and funding platforms moved from Chapter 8 (formerly learning outcome 8.4.1) to sit with learning outcome 1.1.3.</p>
	Section 1.2: Minor updates applied.
2	Climate Science and Climate Risks, Impacts and Opportunities
	<p>Section 2.1: Minor updates applied, including expanded content on Carbon removal and updated Planetary Boundaries framework.</p> <p>Two new case studies on (1) 2023 record breaking weather events, and (2) the warming effect of evaporation.</p>
	Section 2.2: Updates to statistics to reflect newly-released reports, particularly new figures from the IPCC AR6 Synthesis Report.
3	Policy Response, Regulation and the Reporting Landscape

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	Section 3.1: Minor updates applied. Tables and figures updated to reflect latest research. UK Green Finance Strategy's updated five key objectives included. IPR Forecast Policy Scenario (FPS) + Nature 2023: key policy levers added. Inclusion of Version 4 of the Climate Bonds Initiative Climate Bonds Standard.
	Section 3.2: Minor updates applied. Main voluntary and mandatory corporate reporting frameworks table updated. Updates on IFRS S1 and IFRS S2 (the latter now subsuming the TCFD recommendations and guidance). Content on Supranational stakeholders moved from Section 3.2 to Section 3.1.
	Section 3.3: Minor updates applied.
4	Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation
	Section 4.1: Minor text updates and updated tables and figures. New content on agriculture technology and expanded content on nature-based solutions.
	Section 4.2: Minor updates applied. Role of insurance moved from learning outcome 4.2.3 to 4.2.4. Inclusion of UNEP's Adaptation Gap Report 2023.
5	Climate Risk Measurement: Data, Metrics, Target and Scenario Analysis
	Section 5.1: New content on Scope 4 emissions. Minor text updates, including updates to statistics, tables and figures.
	Section 5.2: Expanded content on IAMs, and new narrative scenarios /net zero society future scenarios. Inclusion of new Bank of England report on Climate-related risks and the regulatory capital frameworks and key findings.
6	Stewardship and Engagement on Climate
	Section 6.1: Minor updates applied. New content on litigation trends in terms of how investors are pursuing engagement on climate governance by supporting litigation against companies or governments.
	Section 6.2: Minor updates and new content on the second phase of the CA100+ engagement programme which shifts focus from corporate climate-related disclosure to the implementation of climate transition plans.
7	Listed Equities, Listed Bonds and Insurance Products
	Minor text updates applied across the chapter, including updates to statistics, tables and figures.

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8 Private Equity, Private Debt, Carbon Markets and Derivatives

Section 8.1: Minor updates applied. Inclusion of content on new IIGCC Net Zero Investment Framework Component for the Private Equity Industry, as well as the 2023 3rd edition of the NZAOA Target Setting Protocol, which covers target setting for private equity.

Section 8.2: Minor text updates, including updates to tables and figures.

Section 8.3: Minor text updates, including updates to tables and figures. Expanded content on the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) and new content on Accounting for carbon credits and Biodiversity credits.

Section 8.4: Minor updates and expanded content on sustainability-linked derivatives. Content on retail products and funding platforms moved to Chapter 1.

9 Investment in Real Assets

Minor text updates, including updates to tables and figures, applied across the chapter.

10 Portfolio Management

Minor updates applied across the chapter.

Removal of learning outcomes (and associated content) 10.3.1 and 10.3.2.

New Case Study bringing together the learning from across the materials and applying it to a real-life multi-asset climate portfolio scenario.