1. I just purchased a 7th Edition Manual and am studying for the CRCST exam. Do I need to buy a new book?

No it is not required that you purchase the 8th Edition textbook, so long as you plan on testing before June 2017. Prior to that date, questions on the CRCST exam will be referenced to both the 7th and 8th editions of the CS Technical Manual.

2. How will the new book impact the CRCST certification exam?

BOTH the 7th and 8th editions of the CS Technical Manual were used as references for the 2016 edition of the CRCST exam (release: May 2, 2016). You will have no problems with the CRCST exam using either book.

NOTE: The 2017 edition of the CRCST exam (released in June 2017) will no longer use the 7th Edition as a reference.

3. Will there be a refund for the 7th Edition since the 8th Edition has been released?

No. The exam will reference both the 7th Edition and the 8th Edition until June 2017. Either book is fine to use until June 2017.

4. Will there be a workbook for the 8th Edition?

There will be a workbook for the 8th Edition. It will be available as a part of the “boxed set.” The workbook is designed to provide activities to reinforce the concepts addressed in the 8th Edition text.

5. When will the 8th Edition start shipping?

Mid-April 2016

6. The online Technical Training course still says 7th Edition but I have the 8th Edition book?

The certification exam will cover BOTH the 7th Edition and 8th Edition materials until June 2017. The online course is still valid and a great way to prepare for the certification.