

Fast track SSRS

3 day training course



Course contents

This course will cover the following topics. Those marked with (*) will be covered if time allows.

From our Reporting Services course

Data sources and datasets

- Shared data sources
- Shared vs embedded datasets
- Using Query Designer

Tables

- Structure of a table
- Formatting tables
- Interactive sorting
- Repeating page headers

Grouping tables

- Using the grouping panes
- Row and column groups
- Displaying subtotals
- Outlining

Expressions

- Calculated fields
- The ReportItems collection
- Using built-in fields
- Conditional formatting

Pages and printing

- Page headers and footers
- Pagination between groups
- Header and footer expressions

Parameters

- Using query parameters
- Creating drop lists
- Multi-value drop lists
- Formatting using parameters

Indicators

- Creating indicators
- Changing the symbols displayed
- Stopping indicators stretching

Gauges

- Creating and formatting gauges
- Gauge panels
- Pointers, scales and ranges

Matrices

- Areas of a matrix
- Sorting and grouping matrices
- Creating and formatting subtotals

Charts

- The areas of a chart
- Creating charts
- Formatting charts

Data bars and sparklines

- Need for a grouped row
- Creating data bars
- Creating sparklines

Lists (*)

- Creating and formatting lists
- Grouping using lists
- Using rectangles in lists

Subreports (*)

- Creating a child report
- Creating the main report
- Creating and formatting

Drill-through reports

- Parent and child reports
- Creating actions
- Passing values to a child report

Maps (*)

- ESRI shapefiles / spatial data
- Linking to datasets
- Map layers
- Center points and point layers

Deploying reports

- Setting the target server
- Deploying an entire project
- Deploying single reports

The SSRS web portal

- Browsing to the web portal
- Viewing reports
- Managing reports

Subscriptions (*)

- How subscriptions work
- Creating a new subscription
- Managing subscriptions



From our Advanced SSRS course

Advanced expressions

- Understanding scope
- Using RowNumber
- Running totals

Variables

- How variables work
- Report variables
- Group variables

Embedding code

- Setting code for a report
- Calling functions in expressions
- Better ways to write code

Using SQL views

- Why views are a good idea
- Designing views
- Scripting views
- Using views in reports

Stored procedures in SSRS

- Pros and cons of stored procedures
- Server Explorer vs SSMS
- Creating and editing procedures
- Using for reports

Stored procedure parameters

- Creating report parameters
- Refreshing fields
- Default and null values

Dropdowns with procedures

- The stored procedures needed
- Cascading dropdowns
- Replacing SELECT A VALUE

Multivalued parameter procedures (*)

- Splitting the choices made in SQL
- Displaying the chosen data
- Restricting the number of choices

Improving report navigation

- Document maps
- Using bookmarks
- Setting tooltips

Dynamic reports

- Dynamic datasets
- Dynamic grouping
- Dynamic matrices

Pre-requisites for Fast track SSRS course

You don't need any pre-existing knowledge of SQL or SQL Server to attend this course, although if you understand how databases are constructed using tables and relationships you'll have a head start. What you must have is a very good aptitude for IT, otherwise you won't enjoy your three days!

Prices

| Venue | Address | Price per place |
|----------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| London | Landmark, 99 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XD | £1,995 per person + VAT |
| Manchester | Holiday Inn, 25 Aytoun Street, Manchester M1 3AE | £1,695 per person + VAT |
| Online | Your home or office! | £1,350 per person + VAT |

Scheduled Dates

| Dates | Venue | Times | Price per place | Booking |
|------------------------------|--------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
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