

# Get to Know the Cobalt Core

Cobalt Core is a community of skilled, vetted pentesting professionals ready to work with you.



## Core Verification Process

Each of our pentesters goes through a strict vetting process that only admits the top 5% of applicants. These top performers make up our pentesting community, the Cobalt Core, from which we hand-select the right team for your pentest.

### Process Steps:

- Application** – We receive both inbound applications as well as community and customer referrals. Our community team reviews the applications based on tenure, skill, and expertise.
- Assessment** – Once a pentester is selected from the application process they are sent a Cobalt skills assessment to test their technical abilities.
- Vetting** – After the successful completion of the skills assessment, our team sets up a time to interview the candidate as a way to meet face-to-face, and align on community expectations.
- Verification** – Once a pentester has passed initial vetting, they are verified by a third-party verification vendor. At this stage, tax documentation is confirmed, and NDAs and Cobalt Terms of Engagement are signed.
- Continuous Evaluation** – The Core team uses a secure VPN for testing. Their work is always peer reviewed by trusted leads and the core labs team.

# Cobalt Core Stats

62%

Have at least 8.5 years of professional pentesting experience.

85%

Hold at least 1 security certification.

65%

Hold the Offensive Security Certified Professional (OSCP) certification from Offensive Security.

Certifications

Include OSCP, PWSP, CERP, CEH, CPISI, ISO27001L, CISSP, eWPT, MSCA

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"Something I was really impressed with is how responsive pentesters are, not just in how quickly they go. They get back to us quickly, and the answers we get are full, complete, and detailed. When we're questioning them about something, we get what we're looking for and the information we need to take that data and then operationalize it on our side."

— **Chris Wallace**, Security Liaison Engineer, Vonage

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"Pendo is a complicated product. It takes time to wrap your mind around how it works. But the quality of the results we got from Cobalt was greater than what I had seen in comparable pentests. I felt like they were digging deep, and that's not something I've always seen in the past. Where previously I might have expected two consultants to be assigned to a project, Cobalt brought five pentesters, each with different skills that complemented each other."

— **Chuck Kesler**, CISO, Pendo



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