

# AI-Empowered SAFe® Release Train Engineer

Facilitating the train, and the AI on it

2 days

LIVE ONLINE

16 hrs

PDUS & SEUS

Included

EXAM + RETAKE

\$1,299

PER SEAT

## NEW IN THIS RELEASE

### Reviewing generated data

Lesson 5 gains a topic on reviewing AI-generated data — the RTE's most practical AI risk.

### Responsible AI and agility

Lesson 6 adds both Responsible AI and AI-Empowered agility alongside Inspect & Adapt and Measure and Grow.

### Foundations in Lesson 1

AI-Empowered SAFe opens the course: models, prompting, RAG, and when agents are warranted.



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## AT A GLANCE

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| Course version | 26.6                       |
| Format         | Live online                |
| Duration       | 2 days · 16 hours          |
| Credits        | 16 PDUs / SEUs             |
| Exam           | 120 min · 60 questions     |
| Passing score  | 77%                        |
| Exam attempts  | First two included         |
| Membership     | 1 year SAE Studio          |
| Prerequisites  | None                       |
| Investment     | \$1,299 <del>\$1,699</del> |

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## ★★★★★ 4.9 / 5

Rated by learners on Google. Agile36 has trained professionals at Fortune 100 and Fortune 500 companies, government agencies, and universities for more than a decade.

## WHAT CHANGED IN VERSION 26.6

## AI-Empowered release

Version 26.6 threads AI through the RTE's actual work — planning overhead, flow data, and improvement.

## Accountability made explicit

The course states plainly that when AI is allowed to act, leadership accountability increases rather than decreases.

## Eight lessons

Coaching the ART and Get Certified close the course after flow and improvement.

## 01 · PROGRAM OVERVIEW

# Running the train, not riding it

The RTE is the servant leader and chief facilitator of an Agile Release Train. This course covers the role and its responsibilities, organizing the ART, facilitating PI Planning end to end including across multiple locations, supporting execution, optimizing flow, driving relentless improvement, and coaching the train.

Version 26.6 adds the part that matters most to someone running on metrics: how to read AI-generated data before acting on it, where AI genuinely reduces planning friction, and what responsible AI and AI-empowered agility mean at train level.

## THE AGILE36 DIFFERENCE

Dependencies, risks, and stakeholder communication are treated as the RTE job — not extras.

Every class is live, capped for discussion, and led by a certified SAFe® Practice Consultant.

2

Days, live and instructor-led

8

Lessons in the official 26.6 courseware

4

AI topics and discussions across the class

60

Questions on the SAFe RTE certification exam

## WHAT'S INCLUDED



### 16 hours live

2 days of instructor-led virtual classroom — not recordings.



### Exam + retake

Official exam fee with first two included.



### 16 PDUs / SEUs

Credit toward PMI and Scrum Alliance renewal requirements.



### SAFe Studio

One-year membership plus SAFe Connect community access.



### Digital workbook

The official 26.6 courseware, yours to keep and annotate.



### AI prompt library

Reusable prompt patterns you can run the week after class.



### Practice test

Free practice exam and preparation materials.



### Free reschedule

Miss a session and join the next cohort at no extra cost.

**Hands-on, not lecture.** The class runs on activities, small-group discussion, role-play, and a running case study — including 4 AI activities where you write prompts, critique the output, and edit it into something a real team could use.

## 02 · WHY THIS CERTIFICATION, NOW

## The moment AI acts, accountability goes up

An RTE makes calls on flow data, dependency maps, and PI reports. As more of that becomes generated or summarized, the facilitation job changes: you have to know how the number was produced before you let a room act on it. This release treats that as core RTE skill rather than a footnote.

2

New topics in Lesson 6: **Responsible AI** and **AI-Empowered agility**

1

Full topic on **reviewing AI-generated data**, added to Lesson 5

4

Shifts required for AI-empowered agility, covered at train level

Source: Scaled Agile, *AI-Empowered SAFe® Release Train Engineer (26.6)* courseware.

### WHERE THIS TRAINING LANDS

Agile36 has delivered this course into:

- ✓ Financial services and insurance
- ✓ Healthcare and life sciences
- ✓ Government and public sector
- ✓ Telecom and media
- ✓ Retail and logistics
- ✓ Higher education

“The SAFe Release Train Engineer course transformed how I facilitate Agile Release Trains. The PI planning facilitation and ART coordination modules were game-changers”

Brian Mitchell · Program Manager

### 03 · DELIVERY MODE

- ✓ Live virtual classroom delivered remotely worldwide, over 2 days
- ✓ Taught by certified SAFe® Practice Consultants (SPCs), never contractors reading slides
- ✓ Cohorts kept small enough for real discussion and Q&A
- ✓ Open to attendees anywhere — weekday and weekend cohorts across US time zones, with private cohorts timed to your region

### PREREQUISITES

- ✓ None required, though this is an advanced course.
- ✓ Best suited to people already serving, or about to serve, as an RTE.
- ✓ Prior SAFe certification and ART experience are strongly recommended.

## 04 · WHAT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DO

## Outcomes you can point to on Monday morning

### The role

- ✓ Facilitate Agile Release Trains (ARTs) effectively
- ✓ Coordinate Program Increment (PI) Planning events

### Planning and leading

- ✓ Coach teams and stakeholders on SAFe practices
- ✓ Manage dependencies and risks across teams

### Executing

- ✓ Optimize flow and value delivery
- ✓ Drive continuous improvement, ART sync, and metrics

### AI-augmented product work NEW

- ✓ Review **AI-generated flow data** before an ART acts on it
- ✓ Cut **PI Planning overhead** with AI without losing the alignment
- ✓ Use **RAG** to ground answers in your own ART's documents
- ✓ Judge when the train needs an **agent** rather than a prompt
- ✓ Hold **accountability** steady as AI is allowed to act

## 05 · WHO SHOULD ATTEND

### RTEs

Current and incoming.

### Solution Train Engineers

Coordinating multiple ARTs.

### Programme Managers

Moving to train facilitation.

### Scrum Masters

Stepping up to ART level.

### Agile Coaches

Coaching a whole train.

### Delivery Managers

Accountable for PI outcomes.

### PMO Leads

Supporting ART execution.

### SPCs

Launching and coaching trains.

**Certification.** See Scaled Agile exam guidelines for the current passing score. Your first two attempts are included.

## 06 · COURSE CURRICULUM

# 8 lessons, 2 days

The official 26.6 lesson structure. Topics marked **AI** are new or reworked in this release — AI runs through the lessons rather than sitting in one at the end.

**01 Exploring the RTE Role and Responsibilities**

- Connect the RTE role to SAFe
- Examine the responsibilities of the RTE role
- Review the SAFe foundations
- **AI-Empowered SAFe** — model types, LLMs, prompting, RAG, and knowing when agents are needed

**02 Organizing the ART**

- Identify the characteristics of an effective ART organization
- Examine key ART roles and responsibilities

**03 Facilitating PI Planning**

- Preparation activities for the PI Planning event
- Facilitating Day 1 activities
- Facilitating final plan development and commitment
- Facilitating PI Planning across multiple locations
- **Discussion: AI-empowered PI Planning** — where AI reduces overhead and friction

**04 Supporting PI Execution**

- Using events to keep the ART on track
- Visualizing flow
- Executing the PI with built-in quality
- Building a Continuous Delivery Pipeline with DevOps

**05 Optimizing Flow**

- Measuring flow
- Optimizing flow
- **Reviewing AI-generated data before you act on it**

**06 Improving Relentlessly**

- Prioritizing time to innovate and plan
- Exploring the Inspect & Adapt event
- Measure and Grow
- Systems thinking and Value Stream Mapping
- **Responsible AI**
- **AI-Empowered agility** — the four shifts

**07 Coaching the ART**

- Examine coaching techniques
- Evolving group dynamics
- Explore group facilitation techniques
- Creating a one-team culture

**08 Get Certified**

- Exam preparation and practice questions
- SAFe Studio resources and your learning plan
- SAFe Connect — your professional network
- Claiming your digital badge

## 07 · AI IN THIS COURSE

# The RTE's problem: trusting generated data

An RTE runs on data — flow metrics, dependency maps, PI reports. This release is largely about what happens when some of that data is generated, and where accountability sits once AI is allowed to act.

## AI-Empowered SFAE LESSON 1

Foundations up front: model types, LLMs and prompting, retrieval-augmented generation, and knowing when an ART genuinely needs an agent rather than a prompt.

## AI disruption and the RTE role LESSON 1

A discussion on what AI changes for the person facilitating the train — and the principle that the moment AI is allowed to act, leadership accountability increases.

## AI-empowered PI Planning LESSON 3

Brainstorm as a class where AI genuinely reduces overhead or friction in PI Planning, and where it would quietly remove the alignment the event exists to create.

## Reviewing AI-generated data LESSON 5

A full topic on reading generated flow data critically before an ART makes decisions on it.

## PROMPTING TECHNIQUES YOU'LL TAKE AWAY

- Review **AI-generated flow data** before an ART acts on it
- Cut **PI Planning overhead** with AI without losing the alignment
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## RESPONSIBLE AI

A full topic, not a disclaimer. You'll work through common AI risks and the three aspects of responsible use:

- ✓ **Trustworthy AI** — reliable enough to base a decision on
- ✓ **Explainable AI** — you can say why it produced that
- ✓ **Human-centric AI** — the person stays accountable

## AI-EMPOWERED AGILITY — THE FOUR SHIFTS

### SHIFT 01

#### Outcomes and intent

Direct the work by the result you want, not the tasks you'd have assigned.

### SHIFT 02

#### Rapid experimentation

Shorter learning loops, because the cost of trying an option has collapsed.

### SHIFT 03

#### Innovation at scale

Development and discovery running wider than headcount alone would allow.

### SHIFT 04

#### AI-augmented teams

Cross-functional teams where AI is a working member, and a human still owns the call.

Aligned to Scaled Agile's *Achieving AI-Empowered Agility* framework article.

## 08 · YOUR INSTRUCTORS

# Taught by practising SPCs



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