

Alpine Trainer Movement Analysis and Technical Knowledge Assessment Overview

Introduction

This document outlines the details about Assessment Groups, Schedule of Activities, Learning Outcomes, Assessment Criteria, and Assessment Activities for the PSIA-AASI RM Alpine Trainer Movement Analysis and Technical Understanding Assessment Module.

Candidates for the Alpine Trainer Accreditation will be evaluated by PSIA-RM Examiners though on-snow Assessment Activities. Candidates will provide information and answer questions about movements and outcomes as they pertain to training instructors. They should be prepared to ski any Assessment Activity from the PSIA-RM Skiing IDP, analyze skiing up to the Alpine Trainer level of peers and the general public, and distinguish the technical understanding needs of the different certification levels.

Assessment Groups

Each group will have a maximum of eight Candidates and two Examiners. Both Examiners will assess each Candidate during the day. All groups will perform the same skiing tasks for Assessment Activities, as agreed upon by the Examiner group prior to the start of the day.

Schedule of Activities

8:45

- -Meet Groups
- Preview Day
- Q & A of Assessment Activities

9:00-3:30

- Movement Analysis
 Assessment Activities
 with Peers
- Lunch

4:00

Results and Feedback at Base Area

The exact timing of Assessment Activities may be different based on the mountain and conditions of the day.



Learning Outcomes and Assessment Criteria

PSIA-RM Alpine Trainer Standards establish the Learning Outcomes and Assessment Criteria for the Alpine Trainer Accreditation. During the Alpine Trainer Movement Analysis and Technical Understanding Assessment, Candidates are assessed on the following Learning Outcomes.

Instructor Decisions and Behaviors

 Professionalism and Self-Management: Strengthens the professional environment by adapting to situations and other group members on behalf of themselves and their resort.

Technical Understanding

 Uses technical expertise to enhance clinic participants' knowledge; make technical, tactical, and/or equipment recommendations; and discuss the sport from various perspectives.

Movement Analysis

 Demonstrates knowledge of cause-and-effect relationships to prepare certification candidates for assessments and enhance clinic participants' skiing.

Refer to the PSIA-RM Alpine Trainer Movement Analysis and Technical Understanding Assessment Form for Assessment Criteria for each Learning Outcome.

Assessment Activities

Professionalism and Self-Management

Professionalism and Self-Management will be assessed from "check-in" until the end of the day when results are announced. Follow-up questions, interviews with Examiners, and observed interactions with other Candidates, resort employees, and resort guests will be considered.

Technical Understanding and Movement Analysis

Candidates will have two opportunities to demonstrate their technical understanding and movement analysis skills.

Candidates will be assigned a peer in their group to observe. The Examiners will provide the group with the 2 Versatility Assessment Activities from the PSIA-RM Skiing IDP to perform and observe. Each Candidate will have up to 10 minutes to share their analysis with their peer in front of the group. The analysis includes sharing and



demonstrating an Individual or Integrated Fundamental Assessment Activity from the PSIA-RM Skiing IDP, and any appropriate variations, to execute the prescription for change. Examiners will ask follow-up questions to assess technical understanding and movement analysis skills in relation to the Assessment Criteria.

The same process will be repeated with different Candidate pairings and 2 other Versatility Assessment Activities to observe each other performing.

End of Day and Results

- The on-snow assessment will conclude by 3:30 PM. *Please note that the mountain environment can be unpredictable, and unforeseen circumstances may cause delays.*
- Examiner staff will hold a brief meeting at the end of the day to discuss and finalize results.
- Candidates and Examiners will meet at a designated location at 4:00 PM for celebrations of success and to provide results and feedback to Candidates.
- Every effort will be made to email complete assessment forms with written feedback later the same day. Please note that technical issues may cause delays.
- No results will be provided before the 4:00 PM meeting.
- Individual feedback during the 4:00 PM meeting will be limited to five minutes per Candidate to ensure that all participants have the opportunity for these important discussions. Discussions will be limited to the assessment results and not on designing future training plans.