

PSIA-Rocky Mountain-AASI



Policies For bypassing XC Prerequisite Courses and Certification

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XC Prerequisite courses are mandatory Pre-cert courses for attending XC Certification. Pre-cert. courses are always highly recommended for anyone pursuing certification, because they will more thoroughly familiarize you with PSIA Nordic teaching methodologies and will give you a greater chance at success in the certification process. However, to accommodate those rare instances where a Nordic Instructor has a wealth of experience and knowledge specific to teaching and performing our sport and wants to go directly to certification, the following guidelines have been established. *In order to skip any level of certification you must first contact the RM office at info@psia-rm.org*

Level 1

To be eligible to skip Level 1 pre-certification courses and attend Level 1 certification, a member must:

- Have current membership in PSIA AND
- Be able to Skate and Classic ski at an intermediate level AND
- Have a telephone interview with XC Committee Chair AND
- Have valid PSIA Level 1 certification in another Snowsports discipline <u>OR</u> have a minimum of 1 year verifiable full time Nordic Ski teaching or coaching experience.

Level 2

To be eligible to skip Level 1 Exam and begin into the Level 2 Certification process (starting with prerequisite events), a member must:

- Have current PSIA membership AND
- Be able to Skate and Classic Ski at an advanced level AND
- Have a telephone interview with XC committee Chair AND
- Have verifiable Nordic Ski Teaching or Coaching experience of 30 hours <u>OR</u> have at least 2 years verifiable Coaching or Racing experience at Collegiate or National level

Level 3

To be eligible to skip Level 2 Exam and begin into the Level 3 Certification process (starting with prerequisite events), a member must:

- Have current PSIA membership AND
- Be able to Skate and Classic Ski at an expert level <u>AND</u>
- Have a telephone interview with the XC Committee Chair AND
- Have verifiable Nordic Ski Teaching or Coaching experience of 50 hours <u>OR</u>
 have at least 3 years verifiable Coaching or Racing experience at Collegiate or National level.

Additional Information:

• If you challenge the level 2 or 3 Certification and do not pass, you will not receive a level 1 certification.