



PSIA – Rocky Mountain Division – AASI

ADAPTIVE ALPINE LEVEL 1 & 2 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LOG

FUNCTIONAL SKIING



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Instructions: This development log is a tool for you to develop your skiing, teaching and technical skills in preparation for your Adaptive exam. As you are preparing for your exam, include comments and notes that you find beneficial, including notes from previous training and clinics. This form is set up so that you may either print it out and fill it in by hand or fill it in electronically and then print it out. Please note that if you fill it in electronically and write more than what is visible on the screen, it will only print what is visible on the screen. There is space at the end to put in additional comments.

At the time of your exam, you will be required to turn in the development log for your examiner's review. It will be returned to you after the exam so that you can use it as an ongoing resource. Please note: The outcome of your exam does not depend on how much you write on this log.

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The essential eligibility requirements for each Adaptive Alpine Level 1 & 2 course and exam are presented in the PSIA-RM-AASI Adaptive Alpine Level 1 & 2 Exam Material. The standards are national in scope and their maintenance is necessary in the interests of public safety, effectiveness, value for the consumer, and guest/employer expectations.

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Local and program regulations and safety guidelines take precedence over this information. It is in your best interest to exercise due diligence in determining the appropriateness of the information for your particular circumstances. In addition, please take into account any and all factors that may affect your lesson. This includes but is not limited to: the health, well-being and fitness of the guest; weather conditions; terrain; other people on the slope; your own abilities, as well as those of your guest and anyone who may accompany you.

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✓	Prepare for your Adaptive Alpine Functional Skiing Exam
	Become a PSIA-RM-AASI member, if you are not currently a member.
	Be an employee or volunteer of a recognized ski school or adaptive ski program and complete a minimum of ten hours of in-house and on-hill training, and actual on-hill adaptive teaching.
	<p><i>Take the Alpine Level 1 E-Learning Course. Note: this course must be taken before the Adaptive Alpine Functional Skiing & Technical Prep clinic. (Highly encouraged but not mandatory for certified Alpine Level 1 and above.)</i></p> <p><i>We will be monitoring the completion of the E-Learning Course. It must be completed at least 72 hours before the start of the Functional Skiing & Technical Prep clinic. You do not have to complete it all at once—you can complete sections and save them for later.</i></p> <p>https://www.psia-rm.org/e-learning-module-lms/</p>
	<i>Schedule and take Adaptive Alpine Functional Skiing & Technical Prep Clinic. (Highly encouraged but not mandatory for certified Alpine Level 1 and above.)</i>
	<i>Register for the Adaptive Alpine Functional Skiing Exam.</i>
	Bring this completed development log with you to the On-Hill exam.

✓	Adaptive Level 1 & 2 Technical Knowledge	Comments/Notes
<p><i>Your guests expect you to provide them with something they don't have: the technical knowledge needed to improve their skiing performance. Do you understand the technical aspects of skiing well enough to communicate this knowledge to your guests?</i></p>		
	<p>Identify, describe and relate the Skills Concept to the Five Fundamentals of Alpine Skiing. <i>How are they used in various skiing conditions? How are they used in the adaptive environment? Discuss similarities and differences in skill usage as the skier progresses from level 1 to 6. Identify situational variations of skill application.</i></p>	
	<p>Understand and use Movement Analysis. <i>You can practice on your peers or by watching videos. (YouTube.com and vimeo.com have some skiing videos.)</i></p>	
	<p>Understand Cause and Effect relationships. <i>How is this used in movement analysis? Can you use this in your lessons?</i></p>	
	<p>Identify body-part specific Rotary Movements.</p>	

✓	Adaptive Level 1 & 2 Technical Knowledge (cont.)	Comments/Notes
<p><i>Your guests expect you to provide them with something they don't have: the technical knowledge needed to improve their skiing performance. Do you understand the technical aspects of skiing well enough to communicate this knowledge to your guests?</i></p>		
	<p>Identify body-part specific Pressure Control Movements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fore/aft pressure • Foot to foot • Magnitude of pressure 	
	<p>Identify body-part specific Edging Movements.</p>	
	<p>Understand how skills are blended. <i>How are the skills blended differently for various snow and terrain conditions?</i></p>	
	<p>Read the <i>Alpine Technical Manual</i>. <i>What new ideas can you incorporate in your lessons?</i></p>	

✓	Adaptive Level 1 & 2 Teaching Knowledge	Comments/Notes
<p><i>Your teaching knowledge allows you to effectively translate your technical knowledge to your guests. Are you offering your guests the most positive and safe skiing experience?</i></p>		
	<p>Learn to recite “Your Responsibility Code.” <i>How can you effectively apply this throughout all aspects of your skiing and lessons?</i></p>	
	<p>Learn to recite the Park Smart points. <i>When do you use this? How can you get your guests to understand these points? How can you effectively apply this throughout all aspects of your skiing and lessons?</i> http://www.nsaa.org/nsaa/safety/smart%2Dstyle/</p>	
	<p>Understand the Teaching/Learning Cycle. <i>How does this relate to a lesson plan?</i></p>	
	<p>Understand the various models for Learning Styles. <i>Which models work best for you? If you typically rely on one model, you may want to explore other models.</i></p>	
	<p>Understand Teaching for Transfer. <i>What movement patterns transfer to skiing from some of the most common experiences/sports/activities?</i></p>	

✓	Adaptive Level 1 & 2 Teaching Knowledge (cont.)	Comments/Notes
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Your teaching knowledge allows you to effectively translate your technical knowledge to your guests. Are you offering your guests the most positive and safe skiing experience?</i></p>		
	<p>Understand Lateral Learning. <i>You can practice by creating lesson plans with the lateral learning concept. (Hint: this will help with movement analysis.)</i></p>	
	<p>Understand goal setting for guests. <i>Notice that some adaptive guests may not progress as quickly as other guests. Practice setting goals for a variety of guests.</i></p>	
	<p>Learn to use the Guest Centered Teaching model. <i>You can find the GCT Planning Worksheet in the Adaptive Alpine Exam Material.</i></p>	
	<p>Read <i>Teaching Snowsports Manual and Core Concepts for Snowsports Instructors.</i> <i>What new ideas can you incorporate in your lessons?</i></p>	

✓	Level 1 & 2 Functional Skiing Performance	Comments/Notes
<p>Highlighted tasks (Defined as tasks that highlight use of alpine fundamental movements) – <i>You will be tested on two tasks from this category at the Functional Skiing Exam. For each item, you should be able to perform the maneuver, identify the skill pool(s) and Alpine Fundamental(s) associated with the maneuver, and how the maneuver is used by instructors of Adaptive Alpine Skiing.</i></p>		
	<p>Linked sideslips with a hockey stop to both sides on groomed easy blue terrain</p>	
	<p>Railroad tracks on easy green terrain</p>	
	<p>Outside ski turns on green terrain</p>	
<p>Blended tasks (Defined as tasks that showcase the ability of the candidate to blend skills) - <i>You will be tested on two tasks from this category at the Functional Skiing Exam. For each item, you should be able to perform the maneuver, identify the skill pool(s) and Alpine Fundamental(s) and how they are blended in the maneuver, and how the maneuver is used by instructors of Adaptive Alpine Skiing.</i></p>		
	<p>Wedge turns on green terrain</p>	
	<p>Wedge Christie turns on harder green terrain</p>	
	<p>Lane change using parallel turns on groomed blue terrain</p>	
	<p>Parallel skiing on groomed blue/black terrain</p>	

✓	Level 1 & 2 Functional Skiing Performance (cont.)	Comments/Notes
	Applied tasks (Defined as tasks that allow candidate to demonstrate the ability to apply skills in varying terrain, conditions and adaptive teaching situations) - <i>You will be tested on four tasks from this category at the Functional Skiing Exam. For each item, you should be able to perform the maneuver, identify the skill pool(s) and Alpine Fundamental(s) and how the maneuver is used by instructors of Adaptive Alpine Skiing.</i>	
	Variable terrain & snow conditions on a blue run	
	Bumps on blue terrain	
	Hourglass turns with progressive radius reduction and expansion on harder blue to black terrain	
	Stem-Step Turns on harder blue terrain to black terrain	
	Synchronized with one or more other candidates on blue to black terrain	

Additional Notes

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