



ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION
Professional Ski Instructors of America
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Policies for skipping level 1 XC Certification and going directly to level 2 certification.

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Achieving XC level 1 Certification is always highly recommended for anyone pursuing higher certification because the candidate will be more familiar with PSIA XC teaching methodologies and will have a greater chance at success in the higher certification process. However, to accommodate those rare instances where a XC Instructor has a wealth of experience and knowledge specific to teaching and performing our sport and wants to go directly to higher certification, the following guidelines have been established:

Skipping Level 1 Certification and going directly to Level 2 Certification Process/Pathway

To be eligible to skip XC Level 1 certification and begin the XC Level 2 certification pathway, a member must have:

- A current membership in PSIA
- PSIA Level 2 certification in another Snowsports discipline OR have a minimum of 100 hours XC Ski teaching or coaching experience

*If you do not pass at the level 2 certification level, you will not be given a level 1 certification.

Policies for skipping a Level 3 Prerequisite clinic and going directly to Level 3 Certification.

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A XC level 3 prerequisite course is always highly recommended for anyone pursuing level 3 certification, because a prep course will give the candidate a greater chance of success in the certification process. However, to accommodate those rare instances where a XC Instructor has a wealth of experience and knowledge specific to teaching and performing our sport and wants to go directly to level 3 certification without a pre-certification course, the following guidelines have been established:

Skipping a Level 3 prerequisite course

To be eligible to skip a Level 3 pre-certification course and attend Level 3 certification exam, a member must have:

- Current PSIA membership
- XC Level 2 Certification
- Passed a telephone interview with XC Chairperson