

## **TELEMARK ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRAINER INFORMATION and OVERVIEW**

Dear Applicant,

Enclosed are the application and information list for the Telemark Rocky Mountain Trainer (RMT) selection. The venue and fees for the selection will be as scheduled in the current Curriculum Guide. The following is a list of recommendations to help you prepare. Your success will depend on familiarity and application of these concepts:

1. Know and understand both the Reference Tasks/Maneuvers and the Telemark Fundamentals and Skills, as a skiing concept/standard and as a teaching tool
2. Know and understand current trends in the industry and how they affect current teaching and skiing standards
3. Have a working understanding of various teaching models and their usage in clinic leading
4. Know the movement analysis model and be able to apply it
5. Understand models of motor skill development
6. Practice perfection in presentation skills, facilitation, demos, and free skiing to present a picture of an accomplished clinic leader with the ability to impart knowledge, help peers, and enjoy the sport
7. Remember that we work in an industry that is large in its scope. You will need to be current, informed, knowledgeable and thorough to help us make informed decisions

If selected as a Telemark RMT, you have the option of becoming part of the Telemark Education Staff (Tele Ed Staff) by following these steps:

1. To become an Apprentice Advanced Educator – Complete a successful interview process with the appropriate Telemark Education staff member(s)
2. To become a Full Advanced Educator, you must audit a minimum of one clinic, one Level 1 Assessment, one level 2 or 3 Assessment, and, you must lead a clinic group with a Full Advanced Educator as a mentor
3. Approval of an Apprentice Advanced Educator to a Full Advanced Educator is confirmed by a vote of the Telemark Education Staff using completed evaluation forms from your apprenticing experiences
4. Placement in the active Full Advanced Educator pool is determined by scheduling needs, your amount of involvement and commitment to the Telemark community, and physical location of events

Thank you for your interest and your participation. You are the assets of this organization and it is a pleasure to work with you.

Sincerely,  
The RM Telemark Education Staff / Certification Committee

**PLEASE NOTE: Applications must be complete at time of submission. NO late or partial applications will be accepted. Applications must be received in the office by 5:00 PM on the deadline date of the Tele RMT Assessment as indicated on the event registration webpage. Receipt notification e-mail will be sent to those applicants providing an e-mail Address.**

## **TELEMARK ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRAINER**

### **STANDARDS**

The instructor who wishes to achieve a Telemark RMT certificate must display skiing skills recognizably more refined than those normally displayed by qualified Telemark Certified III instructors. In addition to the skiing standards required as Telemark Certified III instructors, Telemark RMTs must be able to ski exceptionally demanding conditions. They must be able to perform requested tasks within a highly structured situation. Demonstration tasks of all ability levels must be performed in an exacting manner. Adaptability to varying conditions and tasks must be second nature. In summary, those who achieve a Telemark RMT certificate must show skiing ability which is respected by peers and employers alike as being near the pinnacle within the profession.

### **TEACHING**

Since the Telemark Trainer is the substance of quality for the educational program within PSIA-RM, nowhere else in the educational process of ski instructors can the standards be as unyielding and demanding as here. The Telemark Trainer must have a thorough knowledge of the art of teaching, being able to readily demonstrate, use, and vary the spectrum of teaching/learning styles. In summary, Telemark Trainers must be the persons recognized by peers and employers as having such abilities as educators that they rank among the absolute best in the profession.

### **MA/TECHNICAL**

Those holding a Telemark RMT certificate must have an equally high degree of knowledge in the area of theory as they do in skiing and teaching. They must possess an unquestionably clear and thorough knowledge of all aspects of contemporary skiing. They must be able to verbalize in an intelligent and clear manner at all levels of discussion relative to the technical aspects of skiing. Their ability to analyze and construct meaningful ski teaching situations must cover the entire realm of possibilities. They must also be capable of completing a high-quality written thesis on contemporary skiing.

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Member of PSIA/AASI
2. Telemark Certified III instructor before applying for the Telemark RMT selection
3. Attendance at the Telemark Trainer Workshop or the Telemark RMT Prep Clinic; recommended to be attended within the last two seasons but may have been taken earlier
4. Accumulation of a minimum of 25 verifiable hours as a clinic leader at the ski school level before applying for the Telemark RMT selection
5. Ski School Director's recommendation, other letters of recommendation are welcome - limit 3
6. Completed application for Telemark RMT

### **APPLICATION**

Application must include the Clinic Leader Information Sheet, the Ski School Director's Recommendation Form, and the Assessment Application Form. Other letters of recommendation are welcome - limit 3.

**TELEMARK CLINIC LEADER INFORMATION:**

Are you currently employed by your ski school as a clinician? \_\_\_\_\_

How many years? \_\_\_\_\_

List the programs in which you currently lead clinics:

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**Returning Instructor Training**

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**New Hire Hiring**

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification Training**

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Children's Instructor Training**

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Race Program Training**

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Telemark Instructor Training**

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Ski Teaching Experience:**

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**Current Ski School:** \_\_\_\_\_

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Current position:** \_\_\_\_\_

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous Ski Schools (list)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

How many seasons? \_\_\_\_\_

**Related positions: i.e. Regional or Ski School Demo Team, ski school positions other than instructor, etc.:**

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**List other Certification or Training experience:**

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## SKI SCHOOL DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION AND CLINIC LEADING HOURS VERIFICATION FORM

1. I do hereby recommend \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the PSIA-RM Telemark RMT selection. I believe he/she is a highly qualified and responsible person. Should this individual achieve a Telemark RMT certificate, I agree to allow him/her to attend events as requested by PSIA-RM during the season. This shall also apply if this Telemark Trainer is subsequently selected as a PSIA-RM Telemark Apprentice Advanced Educator.
  
2. I do hereby verify that this instructor has accumulated a minimum of 25 hours as a clinic leader at the ski school level.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ski School Director

Ski School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_