

PSIA-AASI Intermountain Region - CS1 Exemption Process

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The National Children's Task Force (NCTF) has established and approved guidelines for those professionals that wish to seek an exemption from taking the Children's Specialist 1 (CS1) course prior to taking the Children's Specialist 2 (CS2) course.

Exemption Process Requirements:

- Petitioner must be a member of PSIA/AASI and PSIA/AASI-Intermountain
- Petitioner shall submit a CS1 "Exemption Request" application to the Children's Program Manager (Meaghan Lovely – mclovely.csimd@gmail.com)
- The application letter and resume should outline the petitioner's background, qualifications and experience meriting the CS1 exemption, including but not limited to
 - o Minimum PSIA-AASI Level 2 certification
 - o Exceptional experience in children's teaching, coaching, mentoring, or education (e.g., undergraduate and/or post-graduate training) applicable to teaching Children's Snowsports
 - o Minimum 3-to-5 years Snowsports teaching experience
- Petitioner must successfully complete the CS1 e-Learning course with verification submitted with the application at least thirty (30) days prior to signing up for a CS2 event.
- If a petitioner fails to successfully complete the CS1 e-Learning course, the petitioner must complete the entire CS1 course before being allowed to attend a CS2 event.
- Upon committee evaluation of the application, the petitioner will be notified if their exemption request is approved.
- After receiving this notification, the petitioner must attend and participate in a PSIA/AASI-I CS1 Prep Webinar prior to signing up for a CS2 event.
- Completion of CS2 Quiz will be required for the Intermountain Region office to manually enroll Petitioner for the CS2 Event.
- If a petitioner fails any part of the CS2 course, he/she must restart the CS curriculum pathway by completing the entire CS1 course before attending another CS2