

Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course and Exam

**July 12-14, 2022 The McKimmon Center
NC State University
Raleigh, NC**

Course Registration Fee: \$600

Includes course materials and instruction, exam, lunch and breaks on Tuesday and Wednesday

No refund will be issued for cancellations received less than 14 days before the first day of course. Transfers can only be made if requested by a deadline of 7 days prior to the conference.

About the Course

Developed by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), the Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) program is the most comprehensive training program on playground hazard identification and risk management methods offered.

CPSI is designed to educate and train individuals to identify and reduce risks. Advanced reading and fifteen hours of training from nationally known playground safety experts will prepare participants to sit for the Certified Playground Safety Inspector examination offered at the culmination of the certification course.

- **Course topics include**
- Identifying hazards on playgrounds
- Developing risk management tools
- Importance of comprehensive playground safety program from a legal perspective
- Test methods for entrapments, protrusions, and entanglement

Preparation

Advanced preparation and studying is essential to passing this course. A minimum of three weeks of study time is recommended; NRPA does not advise sitting for the exam if materials have not been read thoroughly.

Certification

Those taking the course are eligible to take the Playground Safety Inspectors Exam given immediately after the course. Upon successfully passing the exam, you will be certified through the National Recreation and Park Association as a Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) for a three-year period. Certificates will be awarded and your name will be added to a national roster of CPSIs.

3-Day Course Schedule

The course and exam will be held at the [NCSU McKimmon Center](#)

July 12, 8:00am – 5:00pm

8:00 - 8:30	Registration
8:30 - 8:45	Welcome & Course Introduction
8:45 - 9:15	Foundation & Injury Statistics
9:15 - 9:30	Break
9:30 - 12:00	Hazard Identification parts 1 & 2
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 1:45	Applied Exercise 1 – Using test probes and gauges
1:45 - 2:45	Hazard ID part 3
2:45 - 3:00	Break
3:00 - 4:00	Hazard ID part 4
4:00 - 4:45	Surfacing part 1
4:45 - 5:00	Exam preparation/Q&A period

July 13, 8:00am – 5:00pm

8:00 - 8:45	Surfacing part 2
8:45 - 9:15	Safety Management Comprehensive Program Audit
9:15 - 9:30	Break
9:30 - 10:00	Safety Management – Inspections and Maintenance
10:00 - 11:45	Applied Exercise 2 – Hazard ID Prioritization
11:45 - 12:00	Q&A Period
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 3:15	Applied Exercise 3 – Site Investigation (offsite, transportation provided)
3:15 - 3:30	Break
3:30 - 4:30	Site investigation discussion
4:30 - 5:00	Q&A Period

July 14, EXAM 8:00 - 11:00AM

8:00 - 9:00	Check-in
9:00 - 11:00	EXAM

Registration

Registration is on a first come – first served basis. Find more information about playground safety and design resources at - https://go.ncsu.edu/playground_safety

A person is considered registered when both the course registration and fees have been received. If you registered online and elected to pay with a check, please be sure to mail your payment promptly to:

**Recreation Resources Service
North Carolina State University
Campus Box 8004
Raleigh, NC 27695**

Resource materials have been developed especially for this course and exam. They are included in the registration fee and will be mailed to all participants.

NRPA requires that we provide final

participant numbers one month prior to the course. Registration ends Friday, June 16.

CEU Credit

1.2 CEU credits are available for participation in the course .You must attend the **full course Tuesday and Wednesday to receive CEUs.**

Hotel information and Driving Directions

Driving directions to the McKimmon Center and a listing of area hotels can be found at:

<https://mckimmoncenter.ncsu.edu/directions/>
<https://mckimmoncenter.ncsu.edu/area-hotels/>

