

# Playground Inspector Certification Program

Professional staff who are responsible for playground equipment have an incredibly important job. They are helping ensure the safety of toddlers, children, and youth across this country and in local neighbourhoods.

If you are one of these dedicated staff, you - and your employer - can be confident in taking on this role by having up-to-date theoretical and practical knowledge about playground safety and by confirming this knowledge through the completion of the Playground Inspector Certification courses.

## Playground Inspector Certification

The Canadian Certified Playground Inspector certification program is offered through the Canadian Playground Safety Institute (CPSI) and supported by the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association (CPRA). Certified instructors have developed the Theory and Practical courses, which are offered at classroom locations regionally across the country. The classroom courses include 1 ½ days of training and an exam. The Theory course is also available online.

Those who complete both the CPSI Theory and CPSI Practical courses, and who receive a passing grade on both exams, achieve the industry-recognized status of Canadian Certified Playground Inspector. The Inspector status is valid for a 3-year period and can be renewed by completing a re-certification exam either online or in the classroom.

## Theory and Practical Course

Playgrounds are fun – but complex – spaces. The Theory course helps individuals thoroughly understand the Canadian playspace safety standard from CAN/CSA Z614 ‘Children’s

Playspaces and Equipment.’ Individuals who wish to take just the Theory course, which is available online or in a classroom setting, are welcome to do so. The Practical course is a classroom and playground experience which provides hands-on instruction on conducting an inspection/audit of a playspace. The Theory course is a pre-requisite to the Practical course and must have been taken within the preceding 24-month period. Successful completion of both courses within a 24-month period is required to achieve the status of a Canadian Certified Playground Instructor.

## Who Should Take These Courses?

This training is designed for maintenance/public works personnel, daycare staff, health inspectors, owner/operators, private inspectors, contractors, manufacturers, installers, parks and recreation staff, and/or insurance agents who work - or support the use of quality playground equipment – in schools, municipalities, housing complexes, condominiums or other areas that contain public playground structures.

## Re-certification Made Easy

Inspectors whose certification will soon be expiring can renew their status by taking a recertification exam online or the Practical course and a classroom-based re-certification exam. Inspectors wishing to re-certify online are asked to contact [cpsi@cpsionline.ca](mailto:cpsi@cpsionline.ca) for further details.

## For more information, please contact CPSI:

by email: at [cpsi@cpsionline.ca](mailto:cpsi@cpsionline.ca),  
by phone: toll-free at 1-877-536-2338  
on the web: visit [www.cpsionline.ca](http://www.cpsionline.ca)



For course details and registration form, see the next page.

## Registration Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province/Territory: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Course Location Information

Location	Theory Dates	Practical Dates	Facility Address	Reg Deadline
<input type="checkbox"/> Hamilton, ON	Mar 25 – 26, 2024	Mar 27 – 28, 2024	Club Room 1, Tim Horton's Field 64 Melrose Ave N, Hamilton, ON L8L 8C1	Mar 15, 2024

## Registration Fees

	Member (\$)	Non-member (\$)	HST @ 13%	Sub-total (\$)
Theory Course (includes a hard copy of the CSA Z614:20 standard)	575	600		
Theory Exam	75	75		
Practical Course	575	600		
Practical Exam	75	75		
<input type="checkbox"/> check if writing a recertification exam				
<b>Course Fees Total:</b>				

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### Please Note:

- Participants must have a provincial or territorial recreation association corporate or individual membership to receive the member discount.
- A re-take fee is only applicable to participants who have taken the course in the last 12 months. Please contact the CPSI office for details.
- If you are attending the Practical course only, you must bring your own copy of the CAN/CSA Z614-20. If you need to order one, contact CPSI by email: [cpsl@cpsionline.ca](mailto:cpsl@cpsionline.ca) or by phone 1-877-536-2338.

## Payment Information

Your payment must be received by CPSI in before your course to complete the registration process and obtain course materials

- Credit Card:** CPSI accepts Mastercard and Visa as payment for registrations. To pay with a credit card you can either;
1. Please create a profile for this registrant on our website [www.cpsionline.ca](http://www.cpsionline.ca) and use our online registration system.
  - Or,
  2. Send this registration form by email to [cpsl@cpsionline.ca](mailto:cpsl@cpsionline.ca) and then call CPSI toll-free at 1-877-536-2338 with Credit Card Information. Please do not leave Credit Card information on our voice mail system.
- Cheque:** Made payable to: Canadian Playground Safety Institute  
 Mail Registration form and payment to: Canadian Playground Safety Institute,  
 8440 45 Street NW, Edmonton, AB T6B 2N6

## CPSI Cancellation Policy

**IF YOU CANCEL:** All cancellation notices must be in writing. If CPSI receives a cancellation notice from the participant, five (5) business days or more prior to the start of a course, a \$150 cancellation fee will be retained for each of the Theory and Practical Courses. **If a cancellation notice is received four (4) business days or less prior to the start of the course, there will be no refund. There will also be no refund for 'no-show' registrants.**

**SHOULD CPSI CANCEL:** Should CPSI be required to cancel a course, participants will be notified as soon as possible. CPSI is not responsible for costs already incurred by the participants at the time of cancellation.

If you have additional questions regarding CPSI's cancellation policy, please contact the CPSI office at 1-877-536-2338 or by email [cpsl@cpsionline.ca](mailto:cpsl@cpsionline.ca).