**CERTIFIED MODULE**

**Rope Rescue: Low Angle Rescue & Lift Evacuation**

**Suggested resources (use latest publication editions)**

* *The Lift Evacuation Manual*, National Ski Areas Association (NSAA)
* *ANSI B77.1* and *ANSI B77.1a*
* State and Local Tramway Boards (if applicable)
* *Mountain Travel & Rescue,* National Ski Patrol (NSP)
* *Outdoor Emergency Transportation,* National Ski Patrol
* *Local Search and rescue teams*

**Concluding objective:**

**Upon successful completion of this module the candidate will demonstrate an extensive working knowledge of and skill in both off-trail and aerial rescue techniques**

**Essential knowledge**

* Demonstrate a knowledge of lift design, safety and codes
* Demonstrate a knowledge of Evacuation planning as it relates to their home areas LEP (Lift Evacuation Plan)
* Demonstrate knowledge of Post Evacuation procedures as it relates to their home areas LEP

Essential skills

* Demonstrate the ability to properly tie essential rescue knots
* Demonstrate the ability to construct a variety of anchors and anchoring systems
* Demonstrate proper belay techniques
* Demonstrate how to construct an off-trail rescue system with a 3:1 mechanical advantage
* Demonstrate ability to implement their home areas LEP

**Evaluation Process**

Candidates will be evaluated orally for the knowledge based objectives, using the Certified Lift Evacuation Checklist. A rescue scenario will be set up where the candidate must properly construct an off-trail rescue system with a 3:1 mechanical advantage, demonstrating each of the essential skills.

Candidates will be brought to an aerial lift and will be asked about the safety features and signage as they relate to the lifts at their home area. The candidate will demonstrate ability to implement home areas LEP.

Oral discussion score of 80% or better on the checklist and the Rescue Rigging Skills scoresheet.

*(NOTE: In accordance with NSP in the interest of risk management, the NSP lift evacuation component will not include the actual lowering of people.)*

**Examiners for this module will be certified members who hold the following:**

Mountaineering Instructors whom are certified members

Toboggan Instructors whom are certified members

Certified members as approve by the Division Certified Rope Rescue chairperson

Mountaineering or Toboggan Instructors that have previously passed this module

Local Search and Rescue team members as approved by the Certified Rope Rescue chairperson

All examiners to attend a calibration clinic once every three years

New evaluators will serve in a Provisional status until successfully completing an evaluation and receiving feedback as to the accuracy of their assessment.