

New Zealand Mountain Guides Association Inc

NZMGA Pathway Application Form

Before sending your application form in,
please ensure you have included the following documentation:

ALL Applicants:

Application form

Log Book (or Letter of Recommendation (HIG))

Current PHEC refresher certificate (or equivalent)

Avalanche 1/ARM5 certificate (or equivalent, not required for HIG)

Medical Certificate (required every 2 years)

Passport Copy (including work permit/residency status if necessary)

Photo ID (head and shoulders shot, no sunglasses, unlike a passport photo, you can be smiling!)

Level 2 Ski & Climb Applicants:

Avalanche 2/ARM6 certificate (or equivalent)

2x Letter of Recommendation (see application form for more details on requirements)



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NZMGA PATHWAY & COURSE APPLICATION FORM

DATE OF APPLICATION:

DD/MM/YYYY

Please tick one box below only

Ski Pathway

Climb Pathway

Alpine Trekking Pathway

IFMGA

Ski Lvl 2

Climb Lvl 2

Alpine Trekking Lvl 2

Hard Ice Guide

PERSONAL DETAILS: Please supply your legal names as shown on your Birth Certificate or Passport

Surname:		First Names:		Preferred Name:	
Place of Birth:		Date of Birth:		Gender:	

CITIZENSHIP & RESIDENCY

You need to provide a verified copy of evidence of your full legal name, age, residency status and gender. One of the following documents is required. Birth certificate or passport or Certificate of Citizenship or Overseas Passport (with a valid resident's visa and up-to-date valid returning resident's visa)

Tick which best describes your citizenship or permanent residency status.

New Zealand
Citizen

Australian Citizen

NZ Permanent
Resident

Other

please specify

Current Work
Permit

Expiry Date

PHOTOGRAPH

Passport size photograph must be enclosed. Head and shoulders only, no sunglasses

Photo enclosed

YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

You must supply us with a home address that is not a Post Office (PO) Box number. You have the option of receiving your course material and correspondence at an alternative delivery address, which can be a PO Box Number.

Street:		Home Phone:	
Suburb:		Work Phone:	
Town/City:		Mobile:	
Post Code:		Email:	
Country:			

Alternative postal address, can be a PO Box

Address:	
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EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Please provide the contact details of someone we can contact in case of an emergency.

Name:		Relationship:	
Street:		Home Phone:	
Suburb:		Work Phone:	
Town/City:		Mobile:	
Post Code:		Email:	
Country:			

INSURANCE

NZMGA highly recommends that participants look at the option of taking out insurance to cover against the loss of deposit and course fees.

Please refer to the NZAC website for further details: <https://alpineclub.org.nz/insurance>

Please initial above as read and understood

NZAC MEMBER

If you are an NZAC Member, please enter your membership number here

MARKETING INFORMATION

In order to better market the Association, could you please tell us how you found out about this programme.

Tick as many as apply

Website	Friend
NZMGA Guide	Polytech
NZAC	Magazine
CMC	Other



please give details



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NZMGA PRE-REQUISITES AND DECLARATION

GENERIC PRE-REQUISITES (required for all courses) Please include a copy of any certification if not previously sent in

At least 18 years old

Provide a medical certificate. Medical Certificate template is available here: <https://www.nzmg.org.nz/become-a-guide/how-to-apply/>

Current Pre-Hospital Emergency Care (PHEC) or equivalent. Minimum of a 40 hour course

New Zealand citizen, resident or current work permit

NZMSC Avalanche Certificate 1/ARM Lvl 5 (or overseas equivalent) (Not required for HIG)

Date of Certificate:

Date of Certificate:

Date of Certificate:

PATHWAY SPECIFIC PRE-REQUISITES

Please refer to our website for specific pre-requisites on the Pathway you are applying for. Alternatively, please contact the Administration Officer for details.

PATHWAY TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT COURSES

Please refer to our website for details on what each Training and Assessment Course entail. Alternatively, please contact the Administration Officer for details.

IFMGA PATHWAY

SKI PATHWAY

* SIG Snow and Ice Guides Training

^ TSE Technical Ski Exam

~ SGT Ski Guides Training

SKI1 Ski Assessment Level 1

Assistant Ski Guide Status

SKI2 Ski Assessment Level 2

SKI GUIDE STATUS

CLIMB PATHWAY

* SIG Snow and Ice Guides Training

^ RE Rock Exam

~ RGT Rock Guides Training

CLI1 Climb Assessment Level 1

Assistant Climb Guide Status

CLI2 Climb Assessment Level 2

CLIMB GUIDE STATUS

ATG PATHWAY

* SIG Snow and Ice Guides Training

ATG1 Alpine Trekking Guide Assessment Level 1

Assistant Alpine Trekking Guide

ATG2 Alpine Trekking Guide Assessment Level 2

ALPINE TREKKING GUIDE STATUS

HIG PATHWAY

Internal company assessment and recommendation prior to HIG - Hard Ice Guide Assessment Level 2

On successful completion of both the Ski and Climb Level 2 Assessment Courses, IFMGA Status is achieved

* SIG Candidates will receive either an "At Standard" or "Below Standard" result. If a candidate receives a "Below Standard" result they will have to re-sit the course before being able to continue on the chosen Pathway

^ TSE/RE This is a Pass or Fail exam. If you fail the Exam you CANNOT attend the Guides Training Course and the fee for the Training Course will NOT be refunded, but will be "rolled over" to the next year's course

~ SGT/RGT Candidates must receive a Positive Recommendation from the Guides Training Course to be able to attend their first Assessment Course.

Please initial here as having read and understood the Pathway requirements

LEVEL 2 | SKI & CLIMB APPLICANTS | LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please provide 2x Letter of Recommendations; letters must be from two NZMGA Current Guides who have supervised the Applicant in the previous 12 months, one of which must be an IFMGA Guide. The letter of recommendation should include validation of: The candidates' high level of personal skills in the discipline applied for, the quality of their self-reflection and error correction, that their decision making and application of guiding technique is appropriate, and that they will act as an ambassador of the NZMGA in their dealings with guests, guides, and with others who share the mountains. This includes adherence to the NZMGA Code of Conduct. Comment on the candidate's embodiment of the values and ethics incorporated with the code.

LOG BOOK SUMMARY - Please use the Log Exemplar file to summarise your log

Please include your individual log book pages along with a log summary using the Log Exemplar file available on our website.

All log books must show who you climbed with (contact addresses may be required for verification), the year and month. Log entries should also record weather and route conditions at the time.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Applications:

Your place on an NZMGA course is only valid when:

1. All course pre-requisites are received and ratified by our Training Officer (TO)
2. We receive full payment of your course fee at least 8 weeks prior to the course starting. An invoice will be sent to you

Application Closing Date:

Applications for courses close 3 months before the course date. Late applications (if space is available) accepted only when FULL payment is received upon Application

Fees:

Course fees are set (and reviewed annually) to ensure course costs are covered, they are payable on invoice and at least 8 weeks prior to the course starting.

Course fees are non-refundable. Should a candidate withdraw outside 8 weeks before the course start the deposit may be held over, but for the next available course only.

Payment:

Full payment is due 8 weeks before the course date. On this date the decision to run the course is made. In the unlikely event a course is cancelled, a full refund will be made. Any applicant who had not paid, or withdraws from the course after this date acknowledges that they MUST pay the course fees in full.

Insurance Cover:

To protect yourself against unexpected events where you may be forced to withdraw from the course, we strongly recommend loss of deposits insurance cover.

The NZAC offers a recommended policy which covers the course fee paid up to a maximum of \$6,000 exclusive of GST for any unforeseen circumstance (as defined in the policy) that prevents you attending the course.

Declaration:

I hereby apply to be enrolled in the courses on this form and confirm that I have read the Terms and Conditions of Enrolment and the waiver form accompanying this Enrolment Form. I understand and accept them. I also confirm that the details I have supplied, particularly my name, date of birth, and citizenship/residency status, are true and correct. I understand that if this information is subsequently found to be false, my enrolment may be cancelled and I will be liable for any costs incurred by the NZMGA in cancelling my enrolment. I understand my enrolment will not be actioned if I choose not to sign this Declaration.

I confirm that I wish to apply for membership of the NZMGA upon successful completion of my first qualification Assessment Course. If my application is accepted, I will comply with the Constitution, Policies, Procedures and Guidelines of the NZMGA.

I have read and understood the New Zealand Mountain Guides Association (NZMGA) Vision and Mission Statement, which includes the Code of Ethics and confirm that I will adhere to these for the duration of my membership with the Association.

By ticking this box, I acknowledge that my typed Signature below is in lieu of an image upload of my handwritten Signature

Name:

Signature:

Date:





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NZMGA RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of my being permitted to go on the New Zealand Mountain Guides Association (NZMGA) course or exam named in the enrolment, I agree to the terms and conditions of this agreement.

I ACCEPT AND CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE INHERENT DANGERS AND OTHER RISKS INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF CLIMBING AND MOUNTAIN SKIING, INCLUDING THE RISK OF PERSONAL INJURIES, INCLUDING PARALYSIS OR DEATH.

please initial as having read and understood the above

I understand the hazards of climbing and mountain skiing, including abseiling off routes, include, by way of example and not limitation, the following: falling because of improperly placed gear, loose or crumbling rock, or climbs that are not properly protectable; falling because of improperly tied knots or rope technique, or improperly buckled harnesses; icefall, rockfall or other falling debris; falling onto a ledge or other protrusion. I understand that rescue may not be available if I hurt myself, and that even if available, rescue attempts may fail or be slow. I understand that there are more hazards than are enumerated here, and that there are unknown and unforeseeable hazards.

please initial as having read and understood the above

I understand that climbing and mountain skiing gear wears out and that it could be damaged so badly during the course or exam that it is unsafe to use. I certify that I am capable of examining and assessing any of my own equipment that I use during this course or exam, and that if any trauma occurs to equipment belonging to the instructors and examiners of the course or exam while I am using it, I will bring it to the attention of the guide in charge so that he or she has a chance to check the equipment.

please initial as having read and understood the above

I ENGAGE IN THE ACTIVITY OF CLIMBING AND MOUNTAIN SKIING WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE INHERENT RISKS OF INJURY, PARALYSIS OR DEATH THAT MAY RESULT. I AGREE TO CLIMB AND SKI AT MY OWN RISK.

please initial as having read and understood the above

I declare that I am currently fit, well and able to attend my chosen Pathway courses, exams and assessments. If I become injured in such a way that may impact my participation on any part of the Pathway requirements, prior to and within 6 weeks of the course cut-off, I will contact the NZMGA immediately. I confirm that the NZMGA highly recommends that participants on all NZMGA provided training and assessments consider taking out insurance cover to cover loss of desposits and course fees. I also understand that if I withdraw from any course or assessment within 6 weeks of it starting, the course fee is non-refundable.

please initial as having read and understood the above

I therefore, for myself, my heirs, successors and representatives hereby KNOWINGLY AND INTENTIONALLY WAIVE AND RELEASE, AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND DEFEND the New Zealand Mountain Guides Association, its instructors, examiners, employees, officers, directors, agents, assignees, or their estates from any and all liability for any and all such damage, injury, paralysis, or death to myself or any other person or property. I am accepting for myself the full responsibility for any and all such damage, injury, paralysis, or death of any kind which may result, whether such damage, injury, paralysis or death results from the NEGLIGENCE of the New Zealand Mountain Guides Association, its instructors, examiners, employees, officers, directors, agents, assignees, or their estates from some other cause. I further agree, for myself, my successors, heirs, and family not to sue the New Zealand Mountain Guides Association, its instructors, examiners, employees, officers, directors, agents, assignees, or their estates on account of any injuries I incur in connection with going on this NZMGA program, or in connection with any activities occurring during the course of this NZMGA program, including travel to and from the area where this course or exam takes place.

please initial as having read and understood the above

I UNDERSTAND THE RISKS OF CLIMBING, ABSEILING AND MOUNTAIN SKIING AND I HAVE CAREFULLY READ, UNDERSTAND AND VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT.

This release applies to each and every New Zealand Mountain Guides Association program I participate in now and in the future.

This contract is severable: that is, if any part of it is held by a court of law to be unenforceable, the rest of it shall nevertheless be effective.

By ticking this box, I acknowledge that my typed Signature below is in lieu of an image upload of my handwritten Signature

Applicant's Name:

Signature:

Date:

