CERTIFIED PLAYGROUND SAFETY INSPECTOR: COURSE & EXAM

CONNECTICUT RECREATION & PARKS ASSOCIATION

CPSI Certified Playground Safety Inspector

NRPA National Recreation and Park Association

VIRTUAL COURSE:

March 10, 2027
COURSE: Self-Run Online Prep Course *(12 hrs)*
3/10 Virtual Learning Session
EXAM: Computer Testing Facility

IN-PERSON:

March 23 - 25, 2027
Wethersfield Community Center
30 Greenfield Street, Wethersfield, CT 06109
COURSE: Tuesday & Wednesday
EXAM: Thursday *(if needed)*

DID YOU KNOW?

Every year, emergency departments in the US treat **over 200,000 children** ages 14 and younger for playground related injuries!

The Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) certification program is the **industry-leading certification program** in playground safety. The CPSI certification program provides the **most comprehensive and up-to-date** training on playground safety issues including **hazard identification**, **equipment specifications**, **surfacing requirements**, and **risk-management methods**.

Train and certify you and your staff to recognize these issues! Join the growing number of Park and Recreation professionals who have made a **commitment to ensure safe play spaces for their communities**.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The CPSI course is important for any individual, organization, or company **responsible for playgrounds and playground equipment** including:

- Architects
- Boys & Girls Clubs
- Building & Grounds Staff
- Child Care Facilities
- Day Camps
- Engineers
- Homeowners Associations
- Hotels / Resorts
- Insurance Companies
- Maintenance Staff
- Municipalities
- Parks Staff
- Playground Manufacturers
- Public Works Departments
- Risk Managers
- School Districts
- Summer Camps
- YMCAs / YWCAs

AND MORE!

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2027 CPSI COURSE INFORMATION

BLENDED LEARNING COURSE/EXAM INFORMATION:

CPSI ONLINE PREP COURSE & VIRTUAL LEARNING SESSION:

- Following registration, course participants will receive an email with information on how to access the course.
- The Online Prep Course is an 8-modular course that is self-paced and approximately 12 hours in length. It is HIGHLY ENCOURAGED that you complete the online prep course at least 24 hours prior to the Virtual Learning Session.
- The Virtual Learning Session is a one-day, 4-hour virtual training course done via Zoom and led by a CPSI Instructor.
- This course has been approved for **1.2 CEU** Credits *(CEU fee is included in registration fee)*. Participants must complete **BOTH** the CPSI Online Learning course and the CPSI Virtual Learning Session to receive CEUs.

CPSI EXAM:

- Participants that are registered for the CPSI blended learning exam will be taking the exam at a local computer testing center and MUST register for the exam themselves, CRPA does not register you for the exam. *(instructions provided in exam candidate email).*
- To find testing locations near you, CLICK HERE.
- Participants will receive an email with information on scheduling the exam approximately one week prior to the Live Virtual Course.
- Questions regarding the computer based blended learning exam should be directed to NRPA: certification@nrpa.org

TIMEFRAME:

- Course participants have **180 days** from registration date to access and complete the 12-hour online prep course.
- Course participants must complete the **4-hour Zoom** instructional meeting.
- Course participants will have approximately **83 days** following the Zoom meeting to take the computer-based exam.

IN-PERSON COURSE/EXAM INFORMATION:

SCHEDULE:

- Tuesday: Registration 7:30 - 8:00 am; Class 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.
- Wednesday: Class 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.
- Thursday: **Exam Check in: 8:00 am. Exam begins as soon as everyone is checked in.** Examinees have two hours to take the exam. **Only one (1) form of identification is needed**. *To gain admission to the examination, a candidate needs to present **one form** of identification. ID must be a **valid Government-issued ID with photo and signature**. The information provided on the certification application must match the candidate's name on the identification. The candidate will also be required to sign a roster for verification of identity. Please bring sharpened #2 pencils.)*

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Lunches will be provided Tuesday & Wednesday only. (please contact the CRPA office if dietary restrictions apply)
- Parking: Free parking is available onsite - please carpool if multiple people coming from same department
- No walk-ins will be allowed for the course or the exam.
- This course has been approved for **1.5 CEU** Credits *(CEU fee is included in registration fee)*.
- Participants may register for the in-person course and elect to switch to Computer-Based Testing. To obtain additional information, please visit www.nrpa.org under CERTIFICATIONS: CPSI. If you register to take the in-person exam and decide to switch to Computer-Based Testing, you will not receive a refund if you do not cancel by the date outlined in the cancellation policy. Course participants will have 90 days from the in-person course date to sit for the exam using Computer-Based Testing.

NEW IN-PERSON COURSE & BLENDED LEARNING COURSE CEU INFORMATION:

CPSI Certifications can now be renewed through CEU's! Certified professionals need to take 20 hours of professional development which is equivalent to 2 full CEU's (0.1 CEUs =1 hour) over a 3 year renewal cycle. The 20 hours must include 10 hours (1 full CEU) from Group A and 10 hours (1 full CEU) from Group B content. Group A = Hazard ID, Risk Management & Group B = Surfacing, Playground Environment, Audit, Inspection & Maintenance. The **IN-PERSON CPSI Course** (no exam needed) is worth **1.5 CEU's** in total: **.8 CEUs in Group A & .7 CEUs for Group B.** The **Virtual CPSI** (no exam needed) (12-hour course) = **1.2 CEUs** in total: **.6 CEU's in Group A & .6 CEUs for Group B**. Recertification via CEUs includes an application directly through NRPA with a fee of $95 per member & $125 for non-members *(prices subject to change)*. **Participants are required to maintain and track their own CEU's and are subject to audit by NRPA.**

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- **COURSE-ONLY REGISTRANTS** will only participate in the course. You will not sign up or sit for the exam.
- **EXAM-ONLY REGISTRANTS** will only take the exam. You will not receive course materials or course information.
- You will receive the course study materials approximately three weeks before the course.
- NRPA does not recommend that you take the exam unless you have access to the materials three weeks prior to the course.
- If you register less than three weeks before the course date, you will need to pick up your study materials at the CRPA office or make other arrangements.
- **Please access the CPSI Candidate Handbook (Paper & Pencil Testing) to review critical information regarding completing the course/examination. The handbook contains detailed information on requesting Special Accommodations, English as a Second Language accommodations, how to access Latin-American Spanish materials and day-of examination policies (wearable technology policy, ID policy, etc.)**
- Once a participant has started the online learning course and/or opened the wrapping on their books, no refunds will be issued for course.
- Registration is on a first-paid, first-served basis.
- A minimum of 20 participants is required to run the blended learning class. A minimum of 25 participants is required to run the in-person course. Notification of class cancellation, if needed, will be two weeks prior to the start of the course.

LIABILITY, POLICIES, & TERMS OF REGISTRATION:

LIABILITY: CRPA, Inc. and the Town of Wethersfield and their employees and volunteers will not be responsible for any injury, illness, exposure to illness, loss, or damage that may occur to the attendee, nor to the attendee's employees from any cause whatsoever, prior, during, or subsequent to the period outlined on this registration. The attendee(s), on submitting this registration to CRPA, expressly releases and agrees to hold harmless the above-mentioned CRPA, Inc. and the Town of Wethersfield and their employees and volunteers from any and all claims for such loss, damage, injury, illness, or exposure to illness. Attendee(s) are personally responsible for observing health and safety guidelines and/or laws outlined by the federal, state, and local authorities including but not limited to: wearing face coverings, maintaining social distance, and/or sanitization standards.

SMOKING: For the comfort and health of all attendees, smoking is not permitted at any CRPA-sponsored functions. Attendees should adhere to any signage preventing or authorizing smoking in certain locations.

ACCESSIBILITY: CRPA is dedicated to providing access and reasonable accommodations to people of all abilities that meet ADA guidelines.

AGE REQUIREMENT: Candidates sitting for the CPSI Certification examination **must be 18 or older**. Your legal identification will be verified upon entry into the examination site.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:
A candidate who has a disability may request a special accommodation; the request must be submitted in writing at the time of course or exam registration. The request form is available online at www.nrpa.org/cpsi In order to properly accommodate all persons with disabilities, it is recommended that all requests be made 45 days prior to the scheduled date for the course and exam.

English as second language (ESL) candidates may request a time extension and/or the use of a strict translation dictionary. Request forms/fees must be submitted to NRPA no less than 30 days prior to the exam. The request form is available online at www.nrpa.org/cpsi.

2027 CPSI COURSE REGISTRATION

By submitting this registration form, you agree to adhere to all CPSI course policies listed on the previous pages and/or below.

Name:_____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip:_____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
(Each participant needs a unique email address)

Age Requirement: I am 18 years of age or older : ☐ Yes ☐ No

Candidates sitting for the CPSI Certification examination must be 18 years of age or older. *(A high school diploma or GED is no longer needed)*

FORMAT: ☐ Virtual (3/10/27) ☐ In-Person (3/23/27 - 3/25/27)

*payment for the early rate must be received by 2/17/27

	Member	Non Member	After 2/18/26
Course	☐ $495	☐ $565	☐ $615
Exam *in addition to course fee*	☐ $170	☐ $180	☐ $200
Total	$_____	$_____	$_____

Lunch Day 1 Sponsored by:

US Playground Surfacing
Michael McGuffie 860-309-9901
mmcguffie@usplaygroundsurfacing.com
www.usplaygroundsurfacing.com
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Lunch Day 2 Sponsored by:

KOMPAN® Playgrounds

Course materials will be mailed to the address above *(unless registering for exam-only)*

Submission of this registration form is seen as signing a contract, agreeing that payment is due in full, & adhering to the following terms & conditions:

MAIL POLICY: Books requested to be mailed will be sent to the address provided on the top of this registration form within three weeks of the course start date. Books will not be mailed to participants until full payment has been received. Per NRPA guidelines, any book needing to be replaced, regardless of the reason, will be assessed a $100 replacement fee plus shipping & handling if applicable. If mailing course material internationally, additional fees will apply.

CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS: Cancellations for the **virtual course made prior to 1/25/27** & the **in-person course made before 2/09/27** will be eligible for a refund less a $75 CRPA service charge and $125 NRPA material charge per registration if course materials are returned to CRPA. **No refunds will be issued, if payment has not been made, no invoices will be voided and payment will be due in full, for cancellations made on or after 1/25/27 & 2/09/27** respectively. Beginning on **1/26/27 & 2/10/27 respectively**, **only name substitutions** will be permitted and the original registrant is responsible for delivering the course materials to their replacement. Cancellations and name substitutions must be received in writing via email to info@crpa.com or val@crpa.com. Once a participant has opened the wrapping on their books, no refunds will be issued. If you do not cancel or do not attend, you are responsible for FULL payment. A $25 per month service charge will apply to any accounts with a balance due after the test date.

VIRTUAL COURSE REGISTRANTS: Once a participant has started the online prep course, no refunds will be issued for the course and no name changes can be made. Course and zoom log in information will not be sent to participants until full payment has been received.

Due to events outside the control of CRPA, it may become necessary to transition the in-person course to a virtual format with limited notice. Should that happen, the registrant above agrees to participate in this course in a virtual format and understands that a refund will not be offered. Should CRPA cancel the event or the event be cancelled due to a government shutdown (force majeure) your choice of either a refund or a credit will be issued. Please note, all refunds will be issued via check, regardless of initial method of payment.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

☐ Invoice Me ☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Credit Card *(CRPA will email you an invoice which is payable online)*

2027 CPSI SPONSOR INFORMATION

☐ Lunch Sponsor: $980 2 Available!

Sponsorship of CPSI lunch on either 3/23 or 3/24.
Benefits include:

- Signage at lunch
- Logo on event flyer/registration form
- Recognition on pre-event emails
- Recognition on CRPA website
- Opportunity to address the crowd at lunch
- Opportunity to distribute marketing materials at event
- Exhibit table at event on day of lunch sponsorship

☐ Dessert Sponsor: $600

Sponsorship of dessert on 3/23 & 3/24
Benefits include:

- Signage at dessert table
- Complete listing of CPSI course registrants
- Recognition on pre-event emails
- Recognition on CRPA website
- Opportunity to display marketing materials at dessert - mailed to CRPA, sales representatives cannot be in attendance

☐ Name Badge Sponsor: $550

Sponsorship of CPSI Trainee Name Badges 3/23 - 3/25.
Benefits include:

- Logo printed in grayscale on our attendee name badges.
- Recognition on pre-event emails
- Recognition on CRPA website during month of event.

☐ Virtual Sponsor: $500

Sponsorship of Virtual Learning Session on 3/10.
Benefits include:

- Complete listing of CPSI course registrants
- Recognition on pre-event emails
- Recognition on CRPA website
- Opportunity to address participants during the Virtual Learning Session

☐ Coffee Break Sponsor: $400

Sponsorship of coffee on 3/23 **AND** 3/24
Benefits include:

- Signage at break
- Complete listing of CPSI course registrants
- Recognition on pre-event emails
- Recognition on CRPA website
- Opportunity to display marketing materials at coffee break - mailed to CRPA, Sales Representatives cannot be in attendance

Name:_____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip:_____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

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