

ACMG Mountain Guide Overview

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Alpine Climbing

From climbs in the high mountain ranges to mixed climb test pieces, guides can help you achieve your goals. Whether it be an instructional course in crevasse rescue, a long sought-after summit or a technical alpine climb in the Bugaboos; guides can manage the adventure safely and capably.

- Mountain Guides
- Alpine Guides

Rock Climbing

A guide's risk management training, skill set and knowledge of local conditions will maximise your chances of success in the vertical world—from an introduction to rock climbing to sport climbs, multi-pitch gear climbs or rock rescue instruction.

- Mountain Guides
- Alpine Guides
- Rock Guides

Backcountry Skiing

Earn your turns alpine touring, enjoy multiple laps with the assistance of a helicopter or snow cat, or spend your nights in a remote hut and days skiing powder snow. Western Canada is known world-wide for having the best possible conditions and terrain for wilderness ski adventures.

- Mountain Guides
- Ski Guides

Certification Overview

<https://www.acmg.ca/03public/courses/overview.aspx>

Mountain Guide

Completion of both the *Alpine Guide* and *Ski Guide* certificates automatically awards you the Mountain Guide certificate.

Specialty Guides

The completion of the *Rock Guide*, *Ski Guide*, or *Alpine Guide* certificates qualifies you as a Specialty Guide with specific terrain limitations:

Rock Guide

specialize in climbing instruction and guiding on technical rock

Overview of the Certificate Program

The Rock Guide certificate program is designed to develop the guiding and instructional skills needed to work in technical rock terrain. This includes long, multi-pitch routes; sport-climbs; and top-rope climbs on terrain where no glaciation and no permanent or seasonal snow or ice exists.

This program requires a strong technical rock climbing background in a variety of rock types and climbing disciplines.

Alpine Guide

specialize in alpine, rock, and waterfall ice climbing terrain

Overview of the Certificate Program

This program is designed to develop the guiding and instructional skills needed to work in alpine rock, snow, and ice terrain, in both summer and winter.

Alpine Guides can be seen guiding frozen waterfalls, climbing alpine ice faces, and leading expeditionary trips throughout the great mountain ranges of Canada and the world.

Ski Guide

specialize in ski touring, ski mountaineering, and helicopter/snowcat ski guiding

Overview of the Certificate Program

This program is designed to develop the guiding and instructional skills needed to work in a backcountry ski and snowboard environment. On the courses, you must be capable of guiding clients on skis showing efficient and confident movement while linking appropriate turns in variable backcountry snow. You must show that you are capable of guiding clients in alpine ski mountaineering terrain including glaciers, snow and ice, and simple short-roping terrain.

Apprentice Goals

Apprentice Ski Guides complete a supervised apprenticeship before attending the ski guide certificate exam. During this period candidates, are encouraged to obtain exposure to a variety of guiding operations and snowpack environments and to continue their mentorship and training for the Ski Guide exam.