



**2018 TRPA/NRPA  
CERTIFIED PLAYGROUND SAFETY INSPECTOR  
COURSE AND EXAM  
February 23-25, 2018  
Shelbyville, Tennessee**

**WHO SHOULD  
ATTEND?**

- ✓ **Administrators, Supervisors, Risk Managers**
- ✓ **Public works departments**
- ✓ **Building and grounds maintenance staff**
- ✓ **Engineers/Architects**
- ✓ **Playground equipment representatives**
- ✓ **Operators & caretakers of Playgrounds in:**
  - Parks**
  - Schools**
  - Summer Camps**
  - Day Camps**
  - Homeowners Assoc.**
  - Hotels/Resorts**
  - Day Care Centers**
- ✓ **Agencies such as:**
  - YMCA's/YWCA's**
  - Boys & Girls Clubs**
  - Police Athletic Clubs**

According to the Consumer Products Safety Commission, 200,000 children are treated annually for playground accidents. Of these, 70% or 140,000 occurred at public parks and schoolyards. How does your equipment measure up? How many preventable injuries occurred in your parks or facilities?

Sponsored by the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association, National Recreation and Park Association, and the Tennessee Municipal League Risk Management Pool, this course is the most comprehensive training program on playground hazard identification and risk management methods offered. *Advanced reading and ten hours of training will prepare you to sit for the Certified Playground Safety Inspector Exam.* scheduled at the culmination of this certification course.

**Program Highlights**

- History of Playground Equipment
- Hazard Identification
- Safety Surfacing Materials
- Playground Equipment Accessibility
- Safety Management
- Audit Objectives & Procedures
- Maintenance Procedures & Standards

**Preparation:** It is *extremely* important that you read the course materials prior to attending the class. Failure to study the materials before the course commonly leads to failure of the exam

**Certification:** Those taking the course are eligible to take the Playground Safety Inspectors Exam given immediately after the course. Upon successfully passing the exam, you will be certified through the National Recreation and Park Association as a Certified Playground Safety inspector (CPSI) for a three year period. Certificates will be awarded and your name will be added to a national roster of CPSI's.

**ADA Accommodations:** A candidate who has a disability may request a special accommodation. In order to properly accommodate all persons with disabilities it is recommended that all requests come in writing no less than 30 days prior to the course and exam. A request form is available online at [www.nrpa.org/CPSI](http://www.nrpa.org/CPSI). The course host will work collaboratively with NRPA to ensure all approved accommodations are met.

**ESL Accommodations:** English as second language (ESL) candidates may request a time extension and/or the use of a strict translation dictionary. Candidates 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](http://www.nrpa.org/CPSI). The course host will work collaboratively with NRPA to ensure all approved reasonable accommodations are met.

**Continuing Education Units:** Earn 1.2 CEUs's while participating in this seminar. Please be sure to sign the attendance roster for NRPA's records at the beginning and end of each day. NRPA will forward you a transcript of your attendance 6 to 8 weeks after the course is finished.

**Each Participant Will Receive** A Course Manual which includes the current ASTM and CPSC standards and a link to download sample forms.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**

**January 23, 2018**

**Course and exam will be held at  
Shelbyville Community Center**

**220 TulipTree Road  
Shelbyville, TN 37160**

**Room Block: Microtel  
1207 North Main Street  
Shelbyville, TN 37160**

### 3-DAY COURSE SCHEDULE

**Time**                      **Wednesday, February 21, 2018**  
 7:30-8am                      Registration  
 8-9:30am                      Course Introduction & Injury Statistics  
 9:30-9:45am                      Break  
 9:45-Noon                      Hazard Identification 1 & 2  
 Noon – 1pm                      Lunch (provided)  
 1-1:45pm                      Applied Exercise 1 – Use of test probes & gauges  
 1:45-2:45pm                      Hazard Identification 3  
 2:45-3pm                      Break  
 3-4pm                      Hazard Identification 4  
 4-4:45pm                      Surfacing Part 1  
 4:45-5pm                      Exam Prep/Q & A/ Homework Assignment

**Time**                      **Thursday, February 22, 2018**  
 8-8:45am                      Surfacing Part 2  
 8:45-9:15am                      Safety Management – Comprehensive Program/Audits  
 9:15-9:30am                      Break  
 9:30-10am                      Safety Management – Inspections & Maintenance  
 10-11:45am                      Applied Exercise 2 – Hazard Identification Prioritization  
 11:45-Noon                      Question & Answer  
 Noon – 1pm                      Lunch (provided)  
 1-3:15pm                      Applied Exercise 3 – Site Investigation  
 3:15-3:30pm                      Break  
 3:30-4:30pm                      Site Investigation Wrap Up/Question & Answer (Class Ends)

**Time**                      **Friday, February 23, 2018**  
 8-9am                      Check In  
 9-9:15am                      Exam Instructions  
 9:15-11:15am                      2-Hour Certification Exam

### General Information

**Class Size:** Registration is on a first come-first served basis and the class and exam limit is 80.

**Cancellation Policy:** The registration fee less a \$300 service charge will be refunded if cancellation is received by mail or fax by 5pm on January 20, 2017. Substitutions for those unable to attend are encouraged.

**CEU Credit:** 1.2 CEU credits are available for participation in the full course.

**Hotel:** A block of rooms (under the name TRPA) is being held for this event at The Microtel Inn & Suites in Shelbyville. Rates are \$69.00 plus tax per night single/double \$79.00 plus tax per night suite if **booked by February 5, 2018**. If paying by government check/credit card, please be sure to bring your tax exempt certificate. To make reservations please call 931-684-8343 and **ask for the TRPA room block**.

**About Microtel Inn & Suites Shelbyville** Minutes From Shelbyville Recreation Center Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham Shelbyville hotel welcomes you. Amenities include: pillow top bedding, free continental breakfast, free Wi-Fi Internet access, 24-hour fitness center, ample free parking, Rooms include 32-inch flat screen TV, or upgrade to a suite, complete with microwave and refrigerator.

**Registration:** Please go to [www.trpa.net](http://www.trpa.net) and click on the education button or use the form below. Credit card payments must be made on-line.

### 2018 NPSI Playground Safety Inspector Certification Course & Exam – Shelbyville, TN

By registering I acknowledge I have read and understand the refund policy. Including that if I chose to take the Computer based exam, I will not be refunded any of this registration fee. In addition, I agree to hold TRPA, its agents, volunteers, Board and employees, harmless for any and all incidents associated with this event. I also grant TRPA the right to use my likeness for publication purposes in any photos or video taken.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

AGENCY: \_\_\_\_\_

SHIPPING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (            ) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (            ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Certification # (if previously certified): \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed form with payment to: Tennessee Recreation & Parks Association  
 P O Box 1326, Franklin, TN 37065                      Phone: 615-790-0041

Registrations paying with VISA or MasterCard may be made at [www.trpa.net](http://www.trpa.net)

	<u>Paid By Jan 19, 2018</u>	<u>Paid After Jan 19, 2018 (if space is available)</u>
National Playground Safety Institute Registration	\$465	\$540

*(Class only, does not include the exam No on-site registration will be accepted).*

Certification Exam (Photo ID required for exam admission)                      \$115                      \$150

*(It is not recommended that you take the exam if you have not had the materials at least 3 weeks prior to the course.) No cell phones, pdas, or other electronic equipment, hats or books will be permitted in the exam room. Please make provisions in advance.*

**Please note: Books will not be sent to anyone until the minimum of 25 registrants is reached!**