



## Process for Elevating Device and Ski Lift Mechanics (under Ontario Regulation 222/01) to apply for the Continuing Education exception due to COVID-19

### **Continuing Education Exception Process:**

In order to apply for the Continuing Education exception, outlined below, Elevating Device Mechanic and Ski Lift Mechanics must:

- 1) Submit payment for their outstanding invoice renewal payment for their certificate that expires on or after March 16, 2020.
- 2) Submit a request in writing to TSSA Certification and Examination Services, via [certandexams@tssa.org](mailto:certandexams@tssa.org), identifying the following information:
  - a. Full name, as written on their TSSA certificate;
  - b. Certificate number, as outlined on their TSSA certificate (i.e. EDC00012345, 000404393);
  - c. Invoice payment date (i.e. March 30, 2020); and,
  - d. The statement that they are seeking an exception to the continuous education training, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and state of emergency in Ontario.

On receipt of the information outlined above, TSSA will process the request for the Elevating Device Mechanic and/or Ski Lift Mechanic and issue the certificate, so long as the invoice remittance has been received and processed.

### **Background:**

As outlined in the March 30, 2020 **Notice to: Accredited Elevating Device Mechanic Continuing Education Providers, Elevating Device and Ski Lift Mechanics (under Ontario Regulation 222/01)**, the Director of Elevating Devices in Ontario will permit Elevating and Ski Lift Mechanics whose certificates expire beginning March 16, 2020 to renew their certificates under Ontario Regulation 222/01 (Certification and Training of Elevating Device Mechanics) without having completed the continuous education requirements mandated by the *Elevating Device Mechanics Policies and Procedures* and *Director's Order ED-272-18*, so long as the certificate holders renew their certificates with TSSA prior to their date of expiry.

In addition, certificate holders who are permitted to renew their certificates under this exception will be required to complete their outstanding continuing education requirements, and submit proof of completion to the Director, within 120 days from the date that social distancing requirements and the State of Emergency is lifted by the Government of Ontario.

### **Elevating Device Mechanics and/or Ski Lift Mechanics who wish to continue to work must still renew their certificates before their date of expiry. This is mandated by Ontario Regulation 222/01:**

Subsection 5(1): An application to renew a certificate shall be made to the director... and be accompanied by the fee set out by the designated administrative authority.

Subsection 5(4): If a mechanic fails to renew his or her certificate before it expires, the mechanics shall not work as a mechanic after the date of expiry of the certificate...