

AIARE LEVEL I

DECISION MAKING IN AVALANCHE TERRAIN

Acadia Mountain Guides Climbing School
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ABOUT

The AIARE 1 is a three-day / 24-hour introduction to avalanche hazard management. Students can expect to develop a solid understanding of how to prepare for and carry out a trip in the backcountry, understand basic decision making while in the field, and to learn rescue techniques required to find and rescue a buried person.

Avalanche safety gear is provided at our AIARE courses / train on your gear if you have it.

AMGCS CLIENTS RECEIVE A **LIFETIME 15% OFF GEAR** DISCOUNT AT OUR 2 STORES & ALPENGLOWGEAR.COM

Develop a plan for travel in avalanche terrain

Demonstrate the ability to identify avalanche terrain

Use the AIARE Decision Making Framework to make terrain choices in a group setting

Demonstrate effective companion rescue

Develop a plan for continued practice

DATES

GORHAM, NH

Dec. 13-15 | 20-22 | 28-30

Jan. 3-5 | 10-12 | 18-20 | 31-2

Feb. 7-9

SUGARLOAF, ME

Feb. 28-1

Mar. 6-8

CHIC CHOCS, QC

Feb. 15-19 (\$1200)

RATES

\$395/person

\$495/person @Sugarloaf

\$1200/person @ chic chocs

includes beacon / shovel / probe

inquire for 4+ group discount

COURSE SCHEDULE

Day 1 Classroom session 6:00pm-9:00pm

Day 2 Field & Classroom 8:00am-7:00pm

Day 3 Field & Classroom 8:00am-6:00pm

LOCATIONS & LODGING

Field sessions on Mt. Washington (not Loaf / Chocs courses)

Other classroom sessions @ Royalty Inn Gorham, NH

2 queens @ Royalty Inn \$99/night (addl. people/room +\$5/ea)

Jon Tierney

IFMGA Internationally Certified Guide
AIARE Level I & II Course Leader
Level III Professional Course Graduate

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AVALANCHE RESCUE COURSE

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ABOUT

AIARE Avalanche Rescue is a one-day stand alone course intended to be retaken on a regular basis in order to keep abreast of best practices in rescue techniques and gear. New participants will learn the basics of companion rescue, while return participants will expand their skill set with advanced topics and realistic scenario practice to help improve their skills after the course. This course has no prerequisites! **There are no rental fees and avalanche safety gear is provided (shovel, probe, and transceiver).** We encourage you to train on your own equipment if you have it. If not, we stock the best assortment of transceivers shovels and probes New England and offer.

Students receive a **LIFETIME 15% OFF GEAR** at our 2 stores and online at AlpenglowGear.com using promo-code.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Describe what to do if they or a member of their party is caught in an avalanche
- Identify and be able to use gear necessary for avalanche rescue
- Set up a realistic scenario in order to practice an avalanche rescue response
- Improve response skills & times with feedback from instructors and peers
- Develop a plan for continued practice

2020 DATES
January: 10, 31
March: 6 (Sugarloaf)

RATES
\$140/person

COURSE SCHEDULE

8:00am - 6:00pm

LOCATIONS & LODGING

LOCATION : Royalty Inn, Gorham, NH

LOCATION : Sugarloaf, Maine



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Dick Chasse

AIARE Level I Course Leader
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Dick Chasse began working at Acadia Mountain Guides in 1998. Dick has guided and climbed or skied throughout the US, AK, as well as in Canada & South America. Favorite routes include Barren's Direct on Katahdin, North Ridge Mt. Baker in Washington, Vulcan Cayambe in Ecuador, and Damnation Gulley on Mt Washington, NH, and Dark Shadows in Red Rocks Nevada. Dick's goals for the coming year include expanding our offerings in Quebec, especially in the Parc de la Gaspesie and surrounding area.

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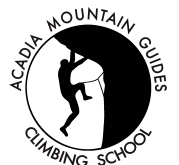
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AIARE LEVEL 2

ANALYZING SNOW STABILITY & AVALANCHE HAZARD

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The AIARE 2 is a three-day/24-hour course that provides backcountry travelers an opportunity to advance their decision making skills in more complicated situations such as leading a small travel group, traveling in more complicated terrain, and/or developing a travel plan where online resources are scarce. The course builds on the introductory avalanche hazard management model introduced in the AIARE 1 and adds to it the evaluation of critical hazard assessment factors. Students will describe and discuss weather, snowpack and avalanche processes, and identify how these processes relate to observations and travel within avalanche terrain.

Students receive a **LIFETIME 15% OFF GEAR** at our 2 stores and online at AlpenglowGear.com using promo-code.

PREREQUISITES

AIARE 1 Course or equivalent training, a winter of practical experience after the Level 1 course, AIARE Avalanche Rescue Course, and the ability to travel in avalanche terrain.

Differentiate where specific avalanche hazards exist within the landscape

Use observations to locate appropriate terrain prior to entering and while in the field.

Facilitate small group discussion, promote appropriate terrain selection, and utilize simple risk management strategies.

Implement a basic forecasting framework that can be used in conjunction with & in the absences of local supporting avalanche information.

Develop a plan for continued practice

GORHAM, NH \$395

Feb. 1-3

CHIC CHOCS, QC \$1300

Feb. 28 - Mar. 5

INSTRUCTORS

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