



RESPONSIBILITY CODE KNOW THE CODE. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.

Officially endorsed by the National Ski Areas Association. This is a partial list. Be safety conscious.

1. Always stay in control, and be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
2. People ahead of you have the right of way. It is your responsibility to avoid them.
3. You must not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.
4. Whenever starting downhill and merging into a trail, look uphill and yield to others.
5. Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
6. Observe all posted signs and warnings. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
7. Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely.
8. Move out and away from the lift unloading area prior to gathering or strapping into your snowboard binding.
9. All on-mountain ski/snowboard equipment must meet the following standards: metal edge, p-tex base, ski brakes, retention strap or leash.
10. Abusive language, rude or criminal conduct, obscene clothing or appearance and activities that endanger yourself and others will not be tolerated at Mission Ridge.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY CODE MAY RESULT IN THE LOSS OF SKIING/SNOWBOARDING AND SERVICE PRIVILEGES.

MOUNTAIN PRIMER

DESIGNATED TRAILS - These are defined as runs identified on the trail map as being, easiest - green (i.e. Mimi), more difficult - blue (i.e. Bomber Bowl), most difficult - black diamond (i.e. Tyee), or experts only - double black diamond (i.e. Lemolo).

SKI AREA BOUNDARY - The boundary is identified by a yellow area boundary line on the trail map. On the mountain, it is marked with numerous red and white signs identifying the Ski Area Boundary.

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS - These areas are noted on the trail map in large, bold type and are used to identify various sections of the mountain. Some of these areas are within the Ski Area Boundary (i.e. Central Park, Castle Peak), and some are outside the Ski Area Boundary (i.e. Microwave, Bowl Four). Avalanche slopes, unmarked obstacles and other natural hazards exist. Please note daily warnings & cautions.

OUT OF BOUNDS - This area is defined as areas beyond the Ski Area Boundary. The Ski Area Boundary is identified by a yellow area boundary line on the trail map. Areas considered "out of bounds" are not patrolled or maintained. Avalanche slopes, unmarked obstacles, and other natural hazards exist. Rescue in the backcountry, if available, is the responsibility of the Chelan or Kittitas County Sheriff. It may take considerable time and it will be costly.

SKI AREA SPECIAL-USE PERMIT - This area is unmarked and it encompasses an area beyond the designated Ski Area Boundary. Avalanche slopes, unmarked obstacles and other natural hazards exist. Overnight camping and snowmobiling are not permitted within the Special-Use Permit Area.

WASHINGTON STATE LAWS

Washington has laws that apply to skiing & snowboarding. Here are some important excerpts from those laws;

1. "...All skiers/riders shall conduct themselves within the limits of their individual ability, shall ski/ride in control at all times, and shall not act in a manner that may contribute to the injury of themselves or any other person...that any person who boards a lift shall be presumed to have sufficient abilities to do so (and) that each person is the sole judge of his skiing/riding ability...that all skiers/riders shall exercise reasonable care for their own safety...(and) that the skier/ rider above or the person on foot has the duty to avoid collision."
2. "...Any person skiing/riding outside the confines of designated trails or runs open for skiing/riding within the Ski Area Boundary shall be responsible for any injuries or losses resulting from his or her actions. All designated trails and runs are identified on the trail map. All areas bordering and between trails or runs are not designated trails or runs."