

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY CODE

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of Wachusett Mountain

Experts in orthopedic care

- 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 or merging into a trail, look uphill and yield to others.
- 5. Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
- Observe all posted signs and warnings. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
- Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely.

Know the Code. It's Your Responsibility.

TERRAIN PARK SAFETY

Wachusett's Terrain Park Safety Education Program is designed to provide a safer environment for all riders and skiers in the alpine parks. All park riders and skiers are requested to:

- Watch a new "Smart Style Safety Education Video" in the designated area near the base of the mountain.
- Sign a registration form indicating you have seen the new video.
- Receive and show when entering park a "Park Pass" Card indicating they have completed the new safety education program.
- Pay a one-time \$5 Park Pass fee for "Lookout Mom" Park only. Pass must be renewed each season. Fee waived for anyone wearing a helmet.

The park pass was introduced in response to customers' requests. Our goal is to increase safety by limiting access to the terrain park to those skiers and riders who have the skill necessary to safely navigate the parks.

Riding/skiing at your ability means you are able to go off the take-off and land on the landing of an element while remaining in control. If you're not sure about something, please ask a Park Ranger. Please follow these common courtesy guidelines to make the Terrain Park more enjoyable for everyone.

- Don't stop in Park Entryway!
- Know the Park!
- Wait your turn if there is a line.
- Easy style it...don't hit park elements beyond your ability.
- Give plenty of space between you and the rider before you.
- Never stand or sit on or below an element.
- · Look before you leap and use spotters!
- Use an audible "Dropping" or "Dropping Next."
- Don't roll over or jump off the side of any element.
- If watching, stay out of the flow of the Park and clear of all elements.
- Quickly move out of the landing zones unless hurt. If hurt, signal for help.
- Respect Gets Respect. No one likes a punk!
- Be Considerate, Stay Cool, Have Fun



Our Environment

For more than 35 years, Wachusett Mountain Ski Area has made protecting the mountain's natural resources—while providing a valuable recreational opportunity to Massachusetts residents—one of its primary focuses. For details on all Environmental Programs, visit www.wachusett.com.

Partnership with Massachusetts Dept. of Conservation & Recreation

Located within the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation, Wachusett Mountain
operates in cooperation with DCR providing skiing and snowboarding on 120 acres of
terrain within a 450-acre leased area. The State Reservation Visitor's Center, located
approximately 1 mile up Mountain Road, is open year-round from 9 a.m – 4 p.m.
daily. Call 978-464-2987.

Protecting Open Space

Wachusett contributes a percentage of its gross receipts to a State Land Acquisition
Trust Fund to purchase and preserve open space in Central Massachusetts. The trust
provides DCR with funds to acquire land for conservation and recreation purposes.

Old Growth Forest Management

 Wachusett Mountain has the largest known stand of Old Growth Forest in Massachusetts. Please help protect the trees. Anyone found entering the old growth areas will have their lift pass revoked.

Use of Bio-Fuel

 Wachusett converts 100% of its waste cooking oil (approximately 2,500 gallons annually) into environmentally-friendly Biodiesel to fuel its five grooming vehicles, diesel-powered backup lift engines and snow removal vehicles.

Public Transportation

 In partnership with the Ma. Bay Transit Authority and the Ma. Bay Commuter Railroad, Wachusett offers weekend "Ski Train" service from Boston's North Station to the nearby Fitchburg commuter rail station with connecting shuttle to the mountain.

Land Conservation and Protection

 Wachusett placed more than 100 acres of private adjacent forest land owned by the mountain into a forest protection program monitored by DCR plus numerous additional conservation programs.

Energy Conservation

 Installed a state-of-the-art snowmaking compressor system which utilizes re-circulated heat from air compressors to supply the base lodge with 100% of its heat, significantly reducing electrical consumption.

Environmental Education and Events

The Science on the Slopes Program features special education sessions about the
environment and science around the mountain. Also features 12 interpretive kiosks
on the mountain relating to environment and history of the area. Also host Green Day
Celebration on St. Patrick's Day and annual Earth Day clean up.

Water Conservation and Protection

- In 1982 Wachusett installed a 7.2-mile sewer line from the mountain to the Fitchburg
 wastewater treatment plant providing the town of Westminster with its first link to
 public sewer service and in 1983, Wachusett installed a \$750,000 storm water diversion system to protect Wachusett Lake, Fitchburg's primary source of drinking water.
- In 2000, Wachusett installed a 1 mile pipeline to Wachusett Lake to purchase water needed for making snow from the City of Fitchburg eliminating the need for additional snowmaking ponds.

Waste Management

Ski area-wide recycling with a recycling center right on the premises. Plus, waste oil
recycle program in kitchen and vehicle oil recycling program in mountain garage and
phased-plan to reduce the size and pages of numerous resort brochures.

Environmental Awards

Received numerous regional and national awards for Wildlife and Habitat Protection;
 Energy Conservation; environmental education; "Overall Environmental Excellence;"
 and reducing power consumption through efficient snowmaking.





5 STEPS TO MAKING YOUR FIRST WACHUSETT EXPERIENCE EASIER

Welcome to a world of mountain fun! Skiing and snowboarding are lifetime sports which will help you get the most out of winter. If this is your first visit, here are five easy steps to follow to make navigating your way around the base area even easier!



1 COME TO THE TICKET WINDOW

Look for signs to the lift ticket windows or the Customer Service Desk. You can purchase a first-timer package called "Learn to Turn" that includes lift ticket, lesson and rental equipment.



You received a "Rental Contract" at the Ticket Window. Depending on whether you're renting skis or a snowboard, bring this to the **Ski Rental Shop or Snowboard Rental Hut** to pick up your equipment. Complete the information on the form and you will be guided through the process.



SKI & SNOWBOARD SCHOOL SIGN UP

Now you are ready for your lesson. After you've received your equipment, proceed to the Ski & Snowboard School desk to sign up for your lesson time.

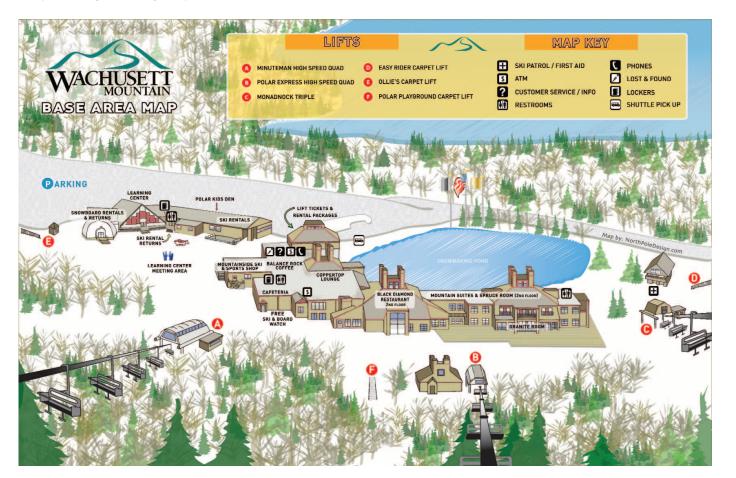
4 MEET YOUR INSTRUCTOR

After you've registered for your lesson, you'll be given a designated time to meet your instructor. Then you will head off to your lesson from there.



5 NEED ANYTHING ELSE?

Need to warm up with a hot chocolate? Did you forget goggles? Want a snack? The Main Base Lodge has all the services you will need during your visit including cafeteria, restaurant, lounge, snack bar, ski shop with a service center and rest rooms.



SKI & SNOWBOARDING TIPS

- Get in shape. You'll enjoy skiing more if you're physically fit.
- Obtain proper equipment. Be sure to have your ski or snowboard bindings adjusted correctly. You can also rent or demo ski or snowboarding equipment here.
- Dress in layers. Layering allows you to accommodate your body's constantly changing temperature. For tips, visit Mountainside Ski & Sports Shop.
- Be prepared. Bring a hat or helmet with you to the slopes. Wear gloves or mittens
- Wear sun protection. The sun reflects off the snow and is stronger than you think, even on cloudy days!
- Have sunglasses and goggles with you. Skiing and snowboarding are a lot more fun when you can see well.
- Take a lesson. The best way to become a good skier or snowboarder is to take a lesson from a qualified instructor.
- Control. Be aware of the snow conditions and how they can change.
 Begin a run slowly.
- Know your limits. Learn to ski and snowboard smoothly and in control. If you
 find yourself on a slope that exceeds your ability level, keep your skis/snowboard
 on and side-slip or step down the slope.
- Drink plenty of water.
- If you're tired, stop skiing. In this day and age of high-speed chairlifts, you can get a lot more time on the slopes. Stop before you become fatigued.
- Courtesy is cool. When overtaking others, call out "On your right" or "On your left."
- Should you wear a helmet? Parents, skiers, and snowboarders should educate themselves about the benefits, limitations, and proper fitting of helmets. The decision of whether to wear one should be a matter of personal choice.



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