

SKI SAFETY/ETIQUETTE

PARKING LOT TO SLOPE:

Tread carefully, parking lots can be slippery. Put your boots on in the lodge or use cat tracks from the car.

When carrying skis, especially on your shoulder, be aware of those around you e.g. do not make sudden turns and hit someone with your skis.

IN THE LIFT LINE

Keep your skis parallel to avoid stepping on other skis.
Keep skis parallel when loading. Turn only your head to look back to catch the chair.
After you alert your seat mates in a loud voice, put the chair's safety bar down.

UNLOADING:

Alert your seatmates before raising the safety bar.
Keep your skis parallel; do not step on your seatmate's skis.
Ski straight ahead from the unloading area to not block others behind you or interfere with your seatmates. It is helpful to call out your direction for unloading.
Regroup with your buddies off to the side.

SKIING:

Give others on the hill a wide berth - recommended 30-40 feet -15 feet is minimum.
When overtaking a skier or boarder, give enough room in case he/she should turn suddenly.
Slow down at trail merges/crossings.
When stopping for a breather, stop at the side of the hill where you can be seen (not in shadows or behind a bump/berm).
When stopping while skiing with a group, stop below the first skier in the group.
When starting up again, allow the previous skier three to four turns before you start.
When resuming from a stopped position, always look uphill before starting.

SAFETY:

Whenever possible, DO NOT ski alone. especially on a powder day.
NEVER ski alone in the trees.
Wear a whistle around your neck so it can be reached easily in an emergency.
When with a group, arrange a meet-up time at the end of the day. Be on time.
If skiing alone for the day, tell a family or friend a time that you will check in with them when you finish skiing. You might include a home arrival time.

INJURED SKIER:

If you come upon a downed skier. Stop alongside or below to ask if help is needed. If it appears that help is needed, cross skies above the downed skier.

Stay with the downed skier and send someone for the Ski Patrol. Once patrol has arrived, If you witnessed what happened, let them know but stay out of the way to let them do their job.

RADIOS:

With radios, you can communicate with all members of your group at once. Cell phones, only one at a time.