



UPHILL TRAVEL POLICY 2015-16 Winter Season

All Uphill Travellers at Snow King Mountain Resort are required to display a current Uphill Travel Pass or valid season pass. Uphill passes are available at no charge at Snow King Mountain Sports or the Summit Ticket booth. The pass must be visible to Ski Patrol and displayed in a bright orange pass-carrier anywhere on your person. Pass-carriers are available for purchase for \$8.75 at Snow King Mountain Sports and the Summit Ticket booth and donations are encouraged to support Snow King ski Patrol, mountain grooming & snowmaking.

Please, read the Winter Uphill Travel Policy below and pick-up your Uphill Travel Pass at the Snow King Mountain Sports or the Summit Ticket Booth prior to accessing the mountain.

SKMR OPERATING HOURS

10am-8pm Tuesday – Saturday. 10am-5pm Sunday. Holiday Mondays December 21st, January 18th and February 15th.

Also, whenever the lifts are running for Special Events or Snow Control.

To help facility traffic uphill users are asked to stay on Designated Routes starting at **9am.**

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY

All uphill hikers and skiers are using Snow King Mountain at their own risk.

APPROVED WINTER UPHILL ROUTES

During operating hours (**10am - 8pm, Tues-Sat and 10am-5pm Sun**) Uphill Travellers are required to stay on the approved uphill routes: The Bootpack, The Summer Trail, and The Cat's Tail. Uphill Travelers are prohibited from entering closed terrain at any time. It is the user's responsibility to know what terrain is closed. Please, direct any questions regarding closed trails or terrain to the Snow King Ski Patrol at **307-734-3140** during normal business hours or check "Mountain Conditions" on our website at snowkingmountain.com

AVALANCHE MITIGATION

During avalanche mitigation work, Uphill Travellers are asked to avoid travelling above Slow Trail until work is complete. Avalanche mitigation is likely after a fresh snowfall of 4 inches or more, or during a period of high winds. Signs will be posted at the base area when avalanche mitigation work is in process.

BEING AN AMBASSADOR

As an Uphill Travel Ambassador, please contribute to our community by being helpful and courteous to others on the mountain. Obey all posted signage and the Golden Rule.

DOGS

Absolutely **NO DOGS** are allowed within the ski area boundary during operating hours (**10am-8pm Tues-Sat and 10am-5pm Sun**). Outside of operating hours, dogs are permitted within the ski area boundary. Town of Jackson dog laws are in effect at all times, and dogs **MUST BE ON LEASH OR UNDER VOICE CONTROL**. SKMR has a simple *Zero Dog Waste* policy: **FAILURE TO REMOVE YOUR DOG'S WASTE WILL RESULT IN PASS REVOCATION.**

HAZARDS

STAY OFF OF TRAILS WHERE SNOWMAKING IS IN PROGRESS. These trails will have 480-volt electrical cords and high pressure water hoses, and at times they may be just beneath the surface. They may also have very icy conditions, particularly near the snow guns. Seek an alternate route if you see any indication of snow machines, electrical cords, or hoses.

LEAVE NO TRACE

If you pack it up, please pack it out. Help keep Snow King Mountain clean.

POACHING THE POWDER

Uphill Travellers are requested to limit your impact on fresh powder or any freshly groomed surface, as using it before groomed runs can set may cause damage. Please be sensitive to the fact that free uphill travel is a privilege, and leave the freshies and ripping groomers for the passholders. Thanks.

REFLECTIVE MATERIALS, HEADLAMPS, WHISTLES

It is strongly recommended that all Uphill Travellers utilize reflective materials on ski poles, clothing, and/or packs to heighten visibility. In addition to headlamps, flashing lights such as those commonly used on bicycles make it easier for other users as well as ski area personnel to see you and your party in the dark. Lastly, a whistle can be beneficial if the need arises to send an audible warning or signal.

RIGHT OF WAY

All uphill traffic must yield to downhill traffic and all machinery. Skiers traveling at high speeds over blind rollovers present a danger to uphill travellers, so Uphill Travellers should take special care at junctions. It is prohibited for any skier, hiker, or person otherwise, to approach within 100 feet of grooming machines, whether stationary or moving; or snowmaking equipment, to include but not limited to fan guns, high-pressure water lines, and high-voltage electrical cables

SKI PATROL

No ski patrol services are available outside of normal operating hours. During normal operating hours, ski patrol response may be unavailable for unpatrolled terrain, such as the upper mountain during night skiing. Uphill users are prohibited from entering closed terrain at any time. It is the user's responsibility to know what terrain is closed.

SLEDDING

Sledding is prohibited on Snow King Mountain at all times due to safety and liability concerns.

WINCH CAT: FLASHING YELLOW / FLASHING RED LIGHTS:

Some trails are groomed with a winch cat, which uses cables under extremely high tension. **STAY OFF THESE TRAILS!** These cables can move suddenly and change height. **THEY CAN CAUSE DISMEMBERMENT OR DEATH.** If you see flashing yellow or red lights, winch cat operation is in progress and uphill travel is prohibited on the entire run. The high-tension cable used by the cat is extremely dangerous, and Uphill Travellers should stay well away from the anchor. Flashing yellow lights signify the cat and flashing red lights signify the winch anchor.

Winter Uphill Travel Routes

There are **three** authorized routes for uphill travel. They are:

THE BOOTPACK

Hikers right side of Exhibition, west of the Tubing Park, hugging the trees all of the way to the Panorama House. **Hiking only** - no skinning.

THE SUMMER TRAIL

The Summer Trail commencing left of the Summit Lift base area and continuing up the right-hand side of Turnpike, then following Slow Trail around the top of the Rafferty Lift, continuing to the summit via Elkhorn Trail. Skinning or hiking allowed.

ICE PARK ROAD (IPR)

Ice Park Road (IPR) above the Exum Ice Park to Cats run. Following along the eastern boundary to the Adventure Park Ropes Course connecting to Slow Trail. Skinning or hiking allowed.

Winter Uphill Travel Responsibility Code

Skiing (a term which includes snowboarding, sledding and all other forms of sliding on snow), whether uphill or downhill, involves inherent risks that cannot be eliminated. However, there are a few rules of conduct that can decrease the risk involved. When traveling within ski resort boundaries, follow the Skier's Responsibility Code (printed on the back of all lift tickets and season passes, as well as on trail maps), and follow these additional guidelines for uphill travel:

ALWAYS

- Travel uphill only on the designated route during operating hours
- Stay to the edge of ski trails; do not hike or stand in the middle of a trail
- Observe posted signs, warnings, and trail closures
- Be alert for downhill skiers
- Yield to and/or avoid all ski area machinery

NEVER

- Stop in high-traffic zones, where you are likely to obstruct a trail, or where you are not visible to downhill traffic
- Hike, stand, or otherwise position more than two people side-by-side across the fall line
- Bring your dog in the ski area during operating hours (9am-8pm, Tues-Sat, 9am-5pm Sun)

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING TWO-PAGE AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I CONSENT TO THE USE BY SKMR OF ANY PICTURES FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES, OR OTHERWISE, OF ME IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF SKMR.

Date: _____

Print Name of Participant: _____

Signature of Participant: _____

Print Name of Parent/Guardian (If Under 18 Years Old):

Signature of Parent/Guardian (If Under 18 Years Old): _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

PLEASE NOTE: Snow King Mountain Resort is located on a combination of private property owned by Snow King Mountain Recreation, LLC and land leased from the US Forest Service. SKMR reserves the right to allow uphill traffic only in a manner that conforms to the guidelines outlined above. SKMR also reserves the right to restrict access for willful failure to comply with these guidelines.

Cat's Tail is no longer a designated uphill route.