

Know the Code

“WARNING — DUTIES OF INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN SKIING OR SLEDDING:

Under Wisconsin law, each individual engaged in skiing or sledding has a duty to do all of the following:

1. Obey all posted warnings and signs.
2. Keep off of closed trails and out of closed areas.
3. Know the range of his or her ability and engage in skiing or sledding within that ability.
4. Assess the difficulty of the trails and terrains that are open to skiing or sledding.
5. Maintain control of his or her speed and direction.
6. Be able to stop or avoid other individuals or objects.
7. Yield to other individuals engaged in skiing or sledding who are ahead or who are down the slope.
8. Not stop at a point that will result in the individual obstructing a trail or not being visible from above.
9. Yield to other individuals engaged in skiing or sledding who are uphill when starting downhill or when merging onto a trail.
10. Be able to safely board, ride, and disembark any lift serving an area open to skiing or sledding.
11. Board and disembark a lift only at designated sites.”

Common Sense, it's one of the most important things to keep in mind and practice when on the slopes. The National Ski Areas Association (NSAA) believes education, helmet use, respect and common sense are very important when cruising down the mountain. NSAA developed Your Responsibility Code to help skiers and boarders be aware that there are elements of risk in snowsports that common sense and personal awareness can help reduce.

Seven Points to Your Responsibility Code

- 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 or 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.

KNOW THE CODE: IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.

THIS IS A PARTIAL LIST.
BE SAFETY CONSCIOUS.