

DUTIES OF SKIERS UNDER OREGON LAW

Under the laws of the **State of Oregon, (ORS 30.985)** Skiers (which also includes Snowboarders) shall have duties, which include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Skiers/Snowboarders who ride in any area not designated for skiing and boarding within the permit area assume the inherent risks thereof.
2. Skiers/Snowboarders shall be the sole judge of the limits of their skills and their ability to meet and overcome the inherent risks of snowboarding and shall maintain reasonable control of speed and course.
3. Skiers/Snowboarders shall abide by the directions and instructions of the ski area operator.
4. Skiers/Snowboarders shall familiarize themselves with posted information on location and degree of difficulty of trails and slopes to the extent reasonably possible before snowboarding on any slope or trail.
5. Skiers/Snowboarders shall not cross the uphill track of any surface lift except at points clearly designated by the ski area operator.
6. Skiers/Snowboarders shall not overtake any other person except in such a manner as to avoid contact and shall grant the right of way to the overtaken person.
7. Skiers/Snowboarders shall yield to other skiers and boarders when entering a trail or starting downhill.
8. Skiers/Snowboarders must wear retention straps/leashes or other devices to prevent runaway boards.
9. Skiers/Snowboarders shall not board rope tows, wire rope tows, j-bars, t-bars, ski lifts or other similar devices unless they have sufficient ability to use the devices, and shall follow any written or verbal instructions that are given regarding the devices.
10. Skiers/Snowboarders, when involved in an accident, shall not depart from the ski area without leaving their names and addresses if reasonably possible.
11. A Skier/Snowboarder who is injured should, if reasonably possible, give notice of the injury to the ski area operator before leaving the ski area.
12. Skier/Snowboarders shall not embark or disembark from a ski lift except at designated areas or by the authority of the ski area operator.

By reading & signing this document, I understand the basic risks & duties involved in skiing and snowboarding and I agree to observe and comply with all applicable duties. (also see excerpt of ORS 30.985).

Competitor Name (please print) _____

Competitor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL COMPETITORS EVEN THOSE OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS.

All forms are to be completed in INK and apart from signatures, all information MUST BE PRINTED.

Read carefully – sign in INK – keep a copy for your records – return ORIGINALS to O.I.S.A.

EXCERPT FROM ORS 30.985

SKIING ACTIVITIES (WHICH INCLUDES SNOWBOARDING)

30.970 Definitions for ORS 30.970 to 30.990. As used in ORS 30.970 to 30.990:

(1) "Inherent risks of skiing" includes, but is not limited to, those dangers or conditions which are an integral part of the sport, such as changing weather conditions, variations or steepness in terrain, snow or ice conditions, surface or subsurface conditions, bare spots, creeks and gullies, forest growth, rocks, stumps, lift towers and other structures and their components, collisions with other skiers and a skier's failure to ski within the skier's own ability.

(2) "Injury" means any personal injury or property damage or loss.

(3) "Skier" means any person who is in a ski area for the purpose of engaging in the sport of skiing or who rides as a passenger on any ski lift device.

(4) "Ski area" means any area designated and maintained by a ski area operator for skiing.

(5) "Ski area operator" means those persons, and their agents, officers, employees or representatives, who operate a ski area.

30.975 Skiers assume certain risks. In accordance with ORS 18.470 and notwithstanding ORS 18.475

(2), an individual who engages in the sport of skiing, alpine or nordic, accepts and assumes the inherent risks of skiing insofar as they are reasonably obvious, expected or necessary.

30.985 Duties of skiers; effect of failure to comply.

(1) Skiers shall have duties which include but are not limited to the following:

(a) Skiers who ski in any area not designated for skiing within the permit area assume the inherent risks thereof.

(b) Skiers shall be the sole judges of the limits of their skills and their ability to meet and overcome the inherent risks of skiing and shall maintain reasonable control of speed and course.

(c) Skiers shall abide by the directions and instructions of the ski area operator.

(d) Skiers shall familiarize themselves with posted information on location and degree of difficulty of trails and slopes to the extent reasonably possible before skiing on any slope or trail.

(e) Skiers shall not cross the uphill track of any surface lift except at points clearly designated by the ski area operator.

(f) Skiers shall not overtake any other skier except in such a manner as to avoid contact and shall grant the right of way to the overtaken skier.

(g) Skiers shall yield to other skiers when entering a trail or starting downhill.

(h) Skiers must wear retention straps or other devices to prevent runaway skis.

(i) Skiers shall not board rope tows, wire rope tows, j-bars, t-bars, ski lifts or other similar devices unless they have sufficient ability to use the devices, and skiers shall follow any written or verbal instructions that are given regarding the devices.

(j) Skiers, when involved in a skiing accident, shall not depart from the ski area without leaving their names and addresses if reasonably possible.

(k) A skier who is injured should, if reasonably possible, give notice of the injury to the ski area operator before leaving the ski area.

(l) Skiers shall not embark or disembark from a ski lift except at designated areas or by the authority of the ski area operator.

(2) Violation of any of the duties of skiers set forth in subsection (1) of this section entitles the ski area operator to withdraw the violator's privilege of skiing.

30.990 Operators required to give skiers notice of duties. Ski area operators shall give notice to skiers of their duties under ORS 30.985 in a manner reasonably calculated to inform skiers of those duties.