

SAFETY ON THE SLOPES

For Students, Parents and Teachers

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You are coming to Camp Fortune to have fun, to be active outdoors and to learn a new skill. We provide a safe environment for you to enjoy, but like any activity, there are inherent risks. Having an awareness of your surroundings, including hill conditions, is important – weather, snow and surface conditions are all variable. Steer clear of structures used in the operation of the ski area such as chairlift poles, snowmaking lines or pylons and be aware that natural obstacles like trees, rocks, bare earth and brooks may be present. Also, please remember that from time to time grooming equipment and emergency vehicles may be on the slopes.

Understanding your limitations and abilities with respect to these factors ultimately affect your personal safety. Your behavior on the slopes has a huge role in ensuring a safe experience. Observe the *Mountain Code of Conduct* listed on page-2 and share with others the responsibility for a great outdoor experience.

HELMETS AND SKI SAFETY

Camp Fortune strongly recommends that all skiers and snowboarders, regardless of age, wear a helmet. Helmets are mandatory in our Terrain Park. Skiers and snowboarders are encouraged to educate themselves on the benefits and limitations of helmet usage. Helmets are included in the rental package in our Rental Shop or for purchase in our Ski Shop. The size of a child's head changes very little as they grow. When buying a helmet, be sure to choose a model that fits properly. Also, helmets last for 5 years. Please visit <u>www.myhelmet.ca</u> for detailed information regarding helmet use and proper fit.

Look sharp. Be smart. Always wear a helmet. Use your head. Protect your most valuable asset. Be aware, ski with care, wear a helmet and know the *Mountain Code of Conduct* – it is your responsibility.



THE MOUNTAIN CODE

There are elements of risk that are common sense and personal awareness that can help reduce the risk of injury. Regardless of how you decide to use the slopes, always show courtesy to others. Please adhere to the safety code listed below and share with others the responsibility for a great outdoor experience.

The Golden Rule: Control!	Remain in control of your speed and direction. Make sure you can stop and avoid any person or obstacle at all times.
Yield to Those Downhill!	Yield the right of way to persons downhill and choose a course that ensures their safety.
Keep the Trail Clear!	Only stop if you can be seen from above, and never obstruct the trail.
At Intersections, Yield to Those Uphill!	Yield the right of way to persons uphill when entering a trail and at intersections.
Help the ski patrol!	If you are involved in or witness an accident, remain at the scene and identify yourself to a first-aider.
Hold onto your Equipment!	Always use and wear appropriate devices to prevent runaway equipment.
No alcohol, No drugs!	Do not use the lifts or trails when under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
Respect Signs	Obey all signs and warnings and never venture off the trails or onto a closed trail.
Respect Chairlift Signs	Obey all signs posted on the lift towers. Ask the lift attendant for help if you are not familiar with how it operates.



SKI PATROL

The Camp Fortune Ski Patrol is a close-knit team of 80 members, recognizable by their jackets bearing the distinctive maple leaf and first aid cross insignia. The Patrol opens and closes the hill, promotes safety and responds when accidents happen. Patrol members are extensively trained volunteers, who love to ski and ride as much as you do. The main hill Camp Fortune Ski Patrol clinic is located in the basement of the new addition to the main lodge.

To find out more, visit the national Canadian Ski Patrol (CSP) site <u>www.skipatrol.ca</u>, talk to us on the hill, contact us at <u>patrol@campfortune.com</u> or arrange to spend the day with us to learn about what we do.

OTHER GREAT SAFETY RELATED RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

https://maneige.ski/en/mountain-code-conduct/ http://www.pacepenguin.com/Kids.html http://tssakidszone.ca/topic_skilifts.php