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## SAFETY ON THE SLOPES: For Students, Parents and Teachers

(Season 2021-2022)

### **SAFETY ON THE SLOPES**

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 surrounding, 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 available for rent 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 [www.myhelmet.ca](http://www.myhelmet.ca) 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:

<b>Keep it under control</b>	Remain in control of your speed and direction. Make sure you can stop and avoid any person or obstacle at all time.
<b>On the trails, yield to those below</b>	Yield the right of way to persons downhill and choose a course that ensures their safety.
<b>Do not block the trail</b>	Stop on a trail only if you are visible from above and if you are not obstructing the trail.
<b>At intersections, yield to those above</b>	Yield the right of way to persons uphill when entering a trail and at intersections.
<b>Give the ski patrol a helping hand</b>	If you are involved in or witness an accident, remain at the scene and identify yourself to a first-aider.
<b>Hold onto your equipment</b>	Use and wear at all times a proper device to prevent runaway equipment.
<b>No alcohol or drugs</b>	Keep off the lifts and trails if your ability is impaired through the use of alcohol or drugs.
<b>Respect signs</b>	Obey all signs and warning and never venture off the trails or onto a closed trail.
<b>Open air chairlifts</b>	Obey all signs posted on the lift towers. Ask the lift attendant for help if you're not familiar with how it operates. Lift attendants <b>will be respecting the social distancing</b> you must be self-sufficient. You must be able to get on and off the lift to ride the chairlifts.



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### **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 open and close the hill, promote safety and responds when accidents happen. Patrol members are extensively trained volunteers, who love to ski and ride as much as you do. The Camp Fortune Ski Patrol clinic is located across the parking lot from the Clifford chairlift and magic carpet.

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

### **PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

In order for Camp Fortune to stay open we must comply with local public health orders. Facemasks and physical distancing (2 meters) will both be enforced indoors and outdoor spaces. These protocols will ensure the viability of a great ski and ride experience, here are the following areas where the protocols will be enforced:

- ❖ Lift queues
- ❖ Ticket queues
- ❖ Ski/Snowboard lessons
- ❖ Employee spaces
- ❖ Food and beverage outlets

### **CLEANING AND DISINFECTION**

Hand sanitizing stations and electrostatic disinfectant sprayers for sanitizing of surface will be in place. The cleaning products used will follow CDC and EPA guidance on agents, which are effective against COVID-19:

- ❖ Lodges
- ❖ Restrooms
- ❖ Restaurants
- ❖ Ticket offices
- ❖ Rental & Ski shops

### **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](http://tssakidszone.ca/topic_skilifts.php)