

Winter Park Resort Open/Closed Policy 2009-2010

Policy

If the trail is **open** to the public, you can go uphill or downhill. If the trail **has not been opened yet or is currently closed** for any reason you are not allowed on the trail. Access at any time, with or without a ticket/pass, is at your own risk. Non-resort snowmobiles are never allowed on the Resort without prior approval by Senior Management.

Full explanation

- **When the Resort is not open** to the public for skiing (approximately before mid November and after mid April) the mountain is closed to all unauthorized users including, but not limited to, skiers/riders, sledding and vehicles or snowmobiles. **Hiking and snowshoeing is permitted** however logging operation and vehicles are to be expected and avoided. Rescue services are not provided when the resort is closed.
- **When the Resort is open** for the winter, you may skin up/down any open trail during, before or after operating hours but you may encounter vehicles, other skiers, terrain variations and unmarked obstacles as well as winch cat operations after hours all of which you must avoid. Winter Park asks uphill users to stay on the side of the trails to not impede downhill traffic but if you present a hazard you may be directed to a different location. You may skin uphill, however, you may be asked to exit the mountain with Ski Patrol's evening sweep at closing time. You may then go back up the mountain after the mountain is cleared.
- You may not enter any **closed terrain or terrain that has not been opened for the season** as safety markings and pads are not in place, there may not have been avalanche assessment and snowmaking or other trail work may be ongoing.
- Closed trails, or trails not yet open, are not marked or signed from the bottom but information as to what is open may be accessed on the Resort website or by checking with Guest Services or Ski Patrol. **It is up to you to be sure you are using only open trails.** It is unlawful to access closed trails by cutting through the trees from open trails.
- Unauthorized snowmobiles are **not** allowed on the Resort at any time of the year.
- Dogs are discouraged as much for the dog's safety as the safety of the other guests. Dogs must be on a leash and the owner should remove any waste.
- A person skinning must still abide by Resort policies, follow employee directions and state laws even though they may not have a lift ticket. You may not board a chairlift without a valid lift ticket as that is theft of services and you will be prosecuted.
- Showshoers or walkers must follow all the same rules and be aware of the same hazards.
- Anyone accessing the Resort before or after operating hours does so at their own risk. If medical care or other assistance is required, the response time, if available, will be lengthy and costs may be charged to the individual. If traveling on the mountain in the dark, fluorescent clothing material is suggested to be more visible with vehicle lights however it is the responsibility of the individual to stay away from vehicles and equipment.

This policy is subject to change at any time. If planning to access the Winter Park Resort Mountain other than during operating hours by chairlift, check for current policies.