



**MOUNTAIN REGULATIONS
AND
SAFETY INFORMATION**

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"SPACE NOT SPEED"

Spread Out, Slow Down, and Have Fun

SKI AND RIDE RESPONSIBLY

Bridger Bowl has made a commitment to increase efforts in promoting responsible skiing and snowboarding.

**Slow down when others are around you.
Respect each other's space and speed.**

**Keep the risks of skiing and snowboarding
in perspective.**

Personal responsibility is key.

"OBSERVE THE CODE"

"YOUR RESPONSIBILITY CODE"

- **Always stay in control.** You must be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
- **People ahead of you have the right of way.** It's your responsibility to avoid them.
- **Stop in a safe place for you and others.** You must be visible from above.
- **When starting downhill or merging, look uphill and yield.**
- **Use devices to prevent runaway equipment** even while hiking.
- **Observe all signs and warnings. Keep off closed trails** and out of closed areas.
- **Know how to use the lifts safely.** You must be able to load, ride, unload and be evacuated safely.

BE SAFETY CONSCIOUS

KNOW THE CODE, IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!

Parents !!

Please take an active role in educating your children about ski and snowboard safety.

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BRIDGER BOWL INC.

MOUNTAIN REGULATIONS

Bridger Bowl wants you to have fun while you're skiing and snowboarding. To make your day both enjoyable and as safe as possible, please read the following Mountain Regulations and follow them when you are skiing or snowboarding.

All users of the ski area are expected to abide by "Your Responsibility Code," Bridger Bowl Mountain Regulations and Montana State Law. Bridger Bowl reserves the right to cancel a ticket or pass for failure to comply with regulations and/or disregard for the safe use of lifts, slopes, or other facilities at the ski area.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Excessive Speed
- Skiing in Closed Area
- Skiing Under/Thru Closure Lines
- Reckless Skiing
- Skiing Fast in Slow Area
- Chair Lift Violations
- Failure to Use Retention Devices
- Skiing Ridge Terrain without a transceiver
- Disorderly Conduct
- Abusive Profanity
- Intoxication
- Vandalism
- Failure to present ticket/pass
- Crossing the Area Boundary (except at designated gates, zones)
- Theft of Goods, Services or Equipment
- Parking Violations

OUR RULES HAVE TEETH - DON'T GET BITTEN

SLOW AREAS



Certain areas on the mountain, indicated with **SLOW** signs or a yellow grid on the trail map, are designated Slow Areas. Please ski or snowboard slowly in these areas at all times. **Go Fast - Lose Pass**

RETENTION DEVICES

All skis, snowboards and snow blades shall be equipped with appropriate retention devices to prevent runaway equipment as required by State Law. While hiking, all equipment must be tethered to the user or secured to prevent runaway equipment. For more information contact the Ski Patrol. Retention devices are available in the Bridger Bowl Ski Shop.

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SKI AREA BOUNDARY NOTICE

Ski Area Boundaries are Closed except at Designated Forest Service Backcountry Gates and Access Zones See Trail Map for Gates, Access Zones and Ski Area Boundaries

◆ DANGER ◆

Avalanche Danger and other Life Threatening Hazards exist beyond the Ski Area Boundary.

If you choose to leave the Ski Area you are solely responsible for your safety and welfare.

No Ski Patrol Services or Avalanche Hazard Reduction Rescue by Gallatin County Search and Rescue - Call 911

Rescue may be Prolonged
Be Prepared to Survive the Night

RISK OF AVALANCHE

◆ WARNING ◆

Avalanche hazard reduction measures within the ski area boundaries help reduce the risk of avalanches, but can not eliminate the possibility of an avalanche occurring.

Bridger Bowl may use roped and signed fence lines to indicate and close hazardous areas. Please pay attention to these signs and do not enter closed areas. Enter these areas only through gates when they are open.

RIDGE TERRAIN

RESTRICTED ACCESS

AVALANCHE TRANSCIEVER REQUIRED

Partner and Shovel Strongly Recommended

◆ WARNING ◆

Ridge Terrain is Expert Terrain Containing Numerous Steep Chutes Which May End in Unmarked Cliffs

SKI AND RIDE WITH CAUTION

NO EASY WAY DOWN
NO HAZARD MARKING

NO GROOMING
NO MARKED TRAILS

UPHILL TRAVEL RESTRICTION

Uphill Travel is prohibited 24 hours a day within the Ski Area Boundaries during the Winter Operating Season. Exceptions to this rule are the designated Ridge and Fingers Access Routes.

Please Ski with Caution
Be Aware of Unmarked Obstacles and Hazards
Obey All Signs and Posted Warnings

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Montana State Law

Under Montana Law, a Skier is a person who is using any ski area facility for the purpose of skiing, including but not limited to ski slopes and trails.

(includes skis, snowboard or any other sliding device)

Section 23-2-736 MCA - Duties of a Skier

(1) A skier has the duty to ski at all times in a manner that avoids injury to the skier and others and to be aware of the inherent dangers and risks of skiing.

(2) A skier:

(a) shall know the range of the skier's ability and safely ski within the limits of that ability and the skier's equipment so as to negotiate any section of terrain or ski slope and trail safely and without injury or damage. A skier shall know that the skier's ability may vary because of ski slope and trail changes caused by weather, grooming changes, or skier use.

(b) shall maintain control of speed and course so as to prevent injury to the skier or others;

(c) shall abide by the requirements of the skier responsibility code that is published by the national ski areas association and that is posted as provided in 23-2-733;

(d) shall obey all posted or other warnings and instructions of the ski area operator; and

(e) shall read the ski area trail map and must be aware of its contents.

(3) A person may not:

(a) place an object in the ski area or on the uphill track of a passenger ropeway that may cause a passenger or skier to fall;

(b) cross the track of a passenger ropeway except at a designated and approved point; or

(c) if involved in a skiing accident, depart from the scene of the accident without:

(i) leaving personal identification; or

(ii) notifying the proper authorities and obtaining assistance when the person knows that a person involved in the accident is in need of medical or other assistance.

(4) A skier shall accept all legal responsibility for injury or damage of any kind to the extent that the injury or damage results from inherent dangers and risks of skiing. Nothing in this part may be construed to limit a skier's right to hold another skier legally accountable for damages caused by the other skier.

Section 23-2-704 MCA

Unlawful to endanger life or cause damage.

(1) It is unlawful for a passenger riding or using a passenger ropeway to endanger the life and safety of other persons or cause damage to passenger ropeway equipment.

(2) A person who purposely or knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Aerial Lifts and Surface Tows General Requirements / Passenger Conduct ANSI B-77 Code

Certain dangers and risks are inherent in machines of this type and their operation. It is recognized that inherent and other risks or dangers exist for those who are in the process of approaching, loading, unloading, and departing from aerial lifts.

All passengers who use an aerial lift shall be presumed to have sufficient skiing ability, physical dexterity or personal assistance to negotiate and be evacuated from the aerial lift safely. Each passenger shall maintain control of his/her speed and course while loading and unloading the aerial lift.

Montana State Law

Section 23-2-735 MCA - Duties of chairlift passenger.

A passenger may not:

- (1) board or disembark from a passenger ropeway except at an area designated for those purposes;
- (2) throw or expel any object from a passenger ropeway;
- (3) interfere with the running or operation of a passenger ropeway;
- (4) use a passenger ropeway unless the passenger has the ability to use it safely without any instruction on its use by the operator or requests and receives instruction before boarding;
- (5) embark on a passenger ropeway without the authority of the operator.

Child Carriers and Lap Riders

Using Aerial Chair Lifts with a child in a child carrier or holding a child in your lap is dangerous and is not recommended.

This practice includes risk of serious injury from, but not limited to:

Loading and Unloading Incidents.

Your child may be struck by the chair, impact the ground and or other components of the chairlift. Falls do occur; you may land on your child or another person may fall causing you to fall with your child. Loose straps from the child carrier may become caught on the chair causing a fall or the child carrier to stay attached to the chair, possibly upside down.

Tower Machinery:

Your child's head may contact tower machinery while riding in a child carrier. The probability may be increased with chair swing caused during loading or by wind.

Frostbite:

Lift rides could be extended due to environmental, mechanical or other factors. It is difficult for you to check for exposed skin such as a pushed up pant leg or sleeve which may result in frostbite. Watery eyes or runny nose may freeze.

Lift Evacuation:

Evacuation of chair lifts may take an hour or longer which could result in hypothermia or severe frostbite. Additionally, there are increased risks of you or your child falling during the evacuation process.

You are responsible for your child's safety while using Bridger Bowl's chair lifts, slopes and trails.

CHECK OUT THESE WEB-SITES FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Sidecountry Skiing

Sidecountry is defined as out-of-bounds, backcountry terrain that is accessed from a ski area. The close proximity to a ski area makes accessing these areas easier, but does not provide any safety as there is no avalanche hazard reduction or ski patrol services. Sidecountry Skiing = Backcountry Skiing.

Terrain Park Safety

Play it safe when you use the park. Smart Style is a terrain park safety initiative, which you need to understand in order to use terrain parks safely. Know it, Respect it, Use it!

Lids on Kids

A site dedicated to providing information on helmet safety and answers to questions about helmet use.

Tree Well and Deep Snow Safety

Safety information to assist all skiers and riders in learning about Snow Immersion Suffocation Hazards from tree wells and the potential danger of becoming inverted and trapped in deep snow.

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