



Family Trip Policy

The Miramar Ski Club (the “Club”) welcomes families and their children on Club trips. Some of our most active members first learned to ski as children while staying at our Waitsfield lodge, and we value being an intergenerational community.

To help ensure the safety, comfort, and enjoyment of all participants, this policy clarifies responsibilities and expectations when families with minors (under 18 years of age) participate in Club trips.

Eligibility

- Appropriately supervised and well-behaved minors accompanied by a parent or designated guardian are welcome:
 - On Club bus trips if the minor is **7 years of age or older**
 - On trips involving private vehicle travel if the minor is **over 3 years of age**
 - Parents or designated guardians who are not sponsored by a Club member are encouraged to participate in at least one trip to become familiar with the Club and its practices before bringing minors on a trip.
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Parental Responsibility

- Parents or designated guardians are **solely responsible** for supervision, safety, care, and decision-making for their minor children at all times during Club activities.
- A responsible adult must remain reasonably available to minors and should stay at the ski area or activity location with minors in their care.
- Parents or designated guardians assume all risks associated with their minor’s participation in Club activities.
- The Club does not provide childcare and does not assume ongoing responsibility for minors.
- Parents or designated guardians are responsible for ensuring minors behave in a manner that respects the safety, comfort, and enjoyment of all Club members and comply with Club rules.

Emergency Planning, Medical Care, and Transportation

- Parents or designated guardians must provide emergency contact information for themselves and their minors in advance of the trip and should confirm that the designated contact is prepared to assist if needed.
 - Parents, guardians, and minors should carry accessible emergency documentation, such as insurance cards, medical alert wallet cards, and emergency contact information.
 - When enrolling minors in ski school or similar programs, parents or guardians must designate a responsible adult in the area, with prior consent, who is authorized to pick up the child.
 - For car trips, parents or guardians are encouraged to drive themselves or pre-authorize another trusted adult to transport their child if necessary.
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Emergency Situations Involving a Parent or Guardian

If a parent or designated guardian becomes injured, ill, or otherwise unable to care for their minor child(ren), the Club may take reasonable, good-faith steps to ensure the immediate safety of the minor(s), including:

- Contacting emergency services
- Remaining with the minor(s) in a safe location
- Attempting to contact the other parent, guardian, or designated emergency contact

Any assistance provided by Club leaders or volunteers is **temporary and limited** and does not constitute acceptance of legal guardianship.

Medical Care and Transportation Limits

- Club leaders and volunteers are not authorized to make non-emergency medical decisions for minors.
- In an emergency, the Club may call emergency medical services and provide basic first aid within the scope of the individual's training.

- Minors may not be transported by Club leaders or volunteers except with explicit parental consent or when directed by emergency services.
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Limitations of Club Responsibility

- The Club, its officers, trip leaders, and volunteers act in a voluntary capacity and are not professional caregivers.
 - The Club assumes no responsibility for supervision of minors beyond reasonable, temporary measures taken in emergency situations.
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Parents or designated guardians are encouraged to communicate proactively with trip leaders regarding any questions or safety concerns related to minors.

Acknowledgment

By participating in Club trips with minors, parents and designated guardians acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agree to comply with this Family Trip Policy.

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Miramar Ski Club