

## OFFICIAL PARTNERS OF NORTHSTAR CALIFORNIA RESORT



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This map is general and conceptual in nature. Refer to the degree-of-difficulty symbol for each trail's rating (green circle, blue square, black diamond). The orange color used on the mountain signage system signifies items of importance related to terrain (E-Z Way Down, Freestyle Terrain, and Groomed Overnight symbols). The trail and lift designations on this map supersede any previous maps or brochures. This is a rendering only; actual conditions may vary.

**WARNING:** You assume all risk of personal injury, death or property damage related to participation in recreational activities at this ski area.

**CAUTION:** Deep snow or tree wells can expose you to the risk of snow immersion injuries or fatalities. Educate yourself on how to reduce the risks and **ALWAYS SKIR OR RIDE WITH A PARTNER.** 

**WARNING:** Skiing, snowboarding and other winter recreational activities involve inherent risks of injury and death. Trail conditions vary constantly because of weather changes and ski/snowboard use. Bare spots, Stumps, ice, variations in terrain, moguls, forest growth, rocks and debris, lift towers, snowmaking and grooming equipment, and other natural and man-made obstacles and hazards may exist throughout the area. You must assume the risks of personal injury and death related to participation in recreational within this ski area. Violators of hit-and-run skiing may be processed under Sec. 653-i of the California State Penal Code. It is unlawful for persons under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or any drug, or under the combined influence, to ski in a ski area (Sec. 12.134, Placer County ordinance). Do not ski into "CLOSED" areas or beyond ski area boundaries; you may be prosecuted (CC 602.Q) or held liable for the cost of search and rescue.

**WARNING, RISK OF AVALANCHE:** While snow safety and avalanche mitigation efforts help reduce the risk of avalanches, avalanches and snow slides may occur at ski areas, both inside and outside of the posted boundaries. Avalanches are an inherent risk of the sport due to the nature of snow and its application on steep, mountainous terrain. Become educated on how to reduce the risk of injury or death from avalanches through our own actions and awareness. Visit www.avalanche.org or contact Northstar California ski patrol for further information on the risks and prevention of avalanche-related injuries or death.

## HEADS UP - KNOW THE CODE, IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Your Responsibility Code: Northstar California is committed to promoting skier safety. In addition to people using traditional alpine ski equipment, you may be joined on the slopes by snowboarders, telemark skiers or cross-country skiers, skiers with disabilities, skiers with specialized equipment and others. Always show courtesy to others and be aware that there are elements of risk in skiing and snowboarding that common sense and personal awareness can help reduce. Know your ability level and stay within it. Observe "Your Responsibility Code" listed below and share with other skiers the responsibility for a great skiing experience.

- 1. Always stay in control, and be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
- 2. People ahead of you have the right of way. It is your responsibility to avoid them.
- 3. You must not stop where you obstruct a trail, or are not visible from above.
- 4. Whenever starting downhill or merging into a trail, look uphill and yield to others.
- 5. Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
- 6. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
- 7. Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely. **Unmarked Obstacles.** Be advised that all poles and/or flags, fencing, signage and padding on equipment or objects or other forms of marking devices are used by the ski area to inform you of the presence or location of a potential obstacle or hazard. These markers are no guarantee of your safety and will not protect you from injury. It is part of your responsibility under Your Responsibility Code

to avoid all obstacles or hazards, including those that are so marked. **Ski Safety.** Under the law, any individual who engages in the sport of skiing, alpine or Nordic, or any person who is within the boundaries of a ski area for the purpose of observing any skiing activity, accepts and assumes the inherent risk of skiing insofar as they are reasonably obvious, expected, or necessary.

## WARNING

Inherent risks of skiing include, but are not limited to, those dangers or conditions which are an integral part of the sport, and can also include changing weather conditions, variations or steepness of terrain, snow or ice conditions, surface or subsurface conditions, whether man-modified or not, bare spots, creeks, gullies, forest growth or rocks, stumps, lift towers and others structures and their components, collision with other skiers and a skier's failure to ski within the skier's own ability.

**Trail Designations.** Skiers should be advised that a green circle, blue square, black diamond, or orange oval at Northstar California is not necessarily the same as a similar designation at other resorts. The oval at Northstar California is not necessarily the same as a similar designation at other resorts. The system is a relative system, valid only at this area, and skiers should work their way up, beginning with the easiest trails no matter what their ability level may be,, until they are familiar with the trails at the area.

California State Penal Code. The following misdemeanors are punishable by a fine of up to \$1000:

- 1. Skiing within or entering a closed area (PC 602r; and
- 2. Leaving an accident scene if involved in a collision, except to notify authorities or obtain assistance (PC 653i).

**Electronic Devices.** Northstar California discourages the use of electronic devices - Cell phones, music players, or earphones - while skiing and snowboarding, or loading and unloading lifts.

**Lift Safety.** Under the law, you cannot board a lift unless you have sufficient physical dexterity, ability and knowledge to safely negotiate and/or safely use such lift, or until you have asked for and received information sufficient to enable you to safely use the lift. You many not use a lift or any ski trail when under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

**Snowcats and Snowmobiles.** CAUTION- snowcats, snowmobiles and snowmaking activities and equipment may be encountered at any time.

**Slow Zones.** Certain areas (indicated on the map in yellow) are designated as SLOW ZONES. Please observe the posted slow areas by maintaining a speed no faster than the general flow of traffic. Space and speed are especially important in these areas. Fast and aggressive skiing will not be tolerated and may result in termination of skiing/riding privileges.

**Helmet Use.** Northstar California encourages our guests to wear a helmet. While helmets may mitigate or reduce the severity of some head injuries, their use does not guarantee safety and will not prevent all injuries. Northstar California reminds you that every winter sport participant shares responsibility for his or her own safety and for the safety of others using the ski area facilities.

**Avalanche and Snow Safety.** Avalanches may occur both inside and outside of the developed ski area at any time. Avalanches are an inherent risk of the sport due to the nature of snow and its accumulation on steep, mountainous terrain. When skiing in deep, unconsolidated snow, beware of the risk of deep snow immersion accidents and/or suffocation, particularly around the base of trees. Always ski with a partner, stay ware and observe all posted signs and warnings.

**Backcountry Warning.** The ski area abuts US Forest Service land that may be beyond the ski area boundary typically known as backcountry. The ski area assumes no responsibility for individuals who elect to go into the backcountry terrain beyond the ski area boundary. To access the backcountry, use designated gates only. Areas beyond the ski area boundary are not patrolled or maintained. Avalanches, unmarked obstacles and other natural hazards exist.

**BEWARE**: the backcountry avalanche hazard may be extreme. Rescue in the backcountry, if available, is the responsibility of the County Sheriff. It will be costly and may take time.

Closed Terrain. If a sign indicates that certain terrain is closed, do not ski in the closed terrain. Skiing in closed areas is against the law and may result in loss of resort privileges and/or criminal prosecution.

High-Altitude Environment. Some visitors may experience symptoms associated with Northstar California's high altitude. Symptoms may include headaches, nausea, loss of appetite, restless sleep, coughing and difficulty breathing. If symptoms persist or if you have a concern about your health, you should seek medical attention.

Sun Protection. With every 3,000' increase in altitude, UV levels rise by 10%-12%. We recommend using eye protection and sunscreen to ensure protection from UV rays.

Protect your Skiing and Riding. Your ticket or pass is non-transferable and may not be resold or used by anyone other than the person to whom it was issued. Report lost or stolen passes to resort staff or law enforcement immediately. Resort staff may ask you to show your pass or ticket at any time. Failure to show a valid pass or ticket or engaging in fraudulent behavior of any kind may result in loss of resort privileges and/or criminal prosecution.

Aerial Drones. Recreational drone use by any guest or member of the public, for any reason. Is not permitted on or over and Vail Resorts property.

Terrain Parks. Prior us using Freestyle Terrain, you are responsible for familiarizing yourself with Freestyle Terrain and obeying all instructions, warnings and signs. Freestyle skills require maintaining control on the ground and in the air. For more information, please visit www.terrainparksafety.org.

