

Saddleback Uphill Policy & Code of Conduct

Uphill access by means of skinning or snowshoeing is welcomed at Saddleback Mountain. Saddleback supports individuals who choose manpowered fun and winter exploration.

Hours of Permitted Access: Uphill Travel is open to the public from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Downhill traffic is permitted starting at 8:30 a.m. on weekends/holidays and 9 a.m. on weekdays. Please descend on open terrain only. If outside of these hours, Saddleback does not guarantee on-mountain rescue services are available.

You are required to have an uphill access pass and sign our uphill policy waiver. If you have a season pass, be sure to have that on you for your uphill travel. Passes are available online and at the Saddleback Ticket Office during normal operational hours for a nominal fee of \$15.00.

All uphill travel is done at the individual's own risk. Please refer to the uphill travel board at the base of the trail for daily updates pertaining to route changes or closures. Uphill travelers can help preserve uphill access by respecting and following these guidelines:

- 1 Uphill Travel is restricted to the designated uphill track which begins on the right side of the Wheeler Slope. Follow uphill access signs and the heavy blue line on the trail map.
- 2 Entering closed terrain is prohibited and will result in Ski Patrol revoking your ticket/access. Saddleback Ski Patrol reserves the right to limit access to the summit of Saddleback Mountain above the top of the Kennebago Quad.
- 3 You are considered a skier under the Maine Skier Statue, and you must abide by "Your Responsibility Code".
- 4 Ski Patrol reserves the right to close the mountain to these activities at any time due to weather, snow conditions, or other factors.
- 5 Nordic equipment is not permitted on ski trails and uphill routes.

- 6 Snowshoeing is permitted but snowshoers must descend via the uphill trail and are not permitted to descend via any ski trails. Snowshoers agree to move aside if needed as uphill travelers have the right of way.
- 7 Uphill travelers MUST stay clear and yield to all on-mountain operations and ongoing work, including but not limited to grooming machines, snowmaking equipment, and snowmobiles.
- 8 Winch cat operation occurs daily and poses serious threat/injury or death to persons who come in close contact with the winch cable. The cable may be hard to detect as it can oscillate between being buried in the snow and visible as load is applied by the groomer. Please stay clear of all winch cat operations.
- **9** Uphill travel equipment is required to have metal edges, a retaining device or brakes and an industry-approved binding. This includes AT skis, tele skis, split boards, and snowshoes.
 - a. Snow bikes and fat bikes are not allowed on Saddleback trails, except as part of designated resort endorsed bicycle events.
- **10** You must ensure that you are always visible to downhill traffic when on groomed terrain.
 - a. When traveling uphill, please climb in single file.
- 11 Ski Patrol clears the mountain of all guests and employees at the end of operating hours every day. If you are on the mountain at this time, you will be required to return to the base.
- 12 For the safety of pets and guests, dogs are not allowed.
- 13 Sledding is not permitted on the mountain at any time.

Please save the Ski Patrol contact number on your mobile phone: 207-864-5671 Ex. 214. Ski Patrol and emergency services are not available during non-operating hours. Be aware that on-mountain cell phone service is not always reliable.