

Hood River County Skier Safety Ordinance 140

Section I. Skiing in closed or unsafe area

- It shall be unlawful for any person for the purpose of skiing or other reason to go upon any area designated closed or unsafe upon or adjacent to any ski resort in Hood River County
- The Sheriff, Forest Service, or Ski Patrol for the ski resort upon which the designated area is located shall be authorized to designate closed or unsafe areas through the use of regulatory signs or other devices. When regulatory signs and/or devices are in place, there shall be a presumption that their placement was authorized.

Section II. Destroying or removing a regulatory sign or device

- It shall be unlawful for any person other than FS, Sheriff, or resort personnel to remove, mutilate, deface, damage, or destroy any regulatory sign or device placed according to the terms of this Ordinance.

Section III. Skier duties

- All skiers have a duty to heed all posted information and other warnings and to refrain from acting in a manner which may cause or contribute to the injury of the skier or others
- Every skier involved in a collision with another skier must stop and render any reasonably necessary assistance. Such assistance may include warding off other skiers while waiting for aid or contacting resort personnel or ski patrol members to inform them that aid is necessary. Any skier involved in a collision must upon request present identification or supply his/her name to resort personnel, ski patrol members, or the other injured skier.

Section IV. Exemptions

- Provisions of Section I and II of this Ordinance do not apply to Ski Patrol members, the Sheriff or his deputies or officers of the Forest Service during the course of their duties.

Section V. Penalties

- Any person who intentionally, recklessly, or with criminal negligence violates the provisions of this ordinance may be fined up to \$500.00. The District Court of the State of Oregon for Hood River County shall have jurisdiction over violations.

Section VI. Separability

- If any section or subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance