

# Ski Spectacular presented by The Hartford Code of Conduct



Disabled Sports USA (DSUSA) requires that participants conduct themselves in a safe and respectful manner to help maintain a fun and comfortable environment throughout the event.

The Code of Conduct is intended to help provide a positive experience for all and applies to the duration of Ski Spectacular, presented by The Hartford. All event participants including athletes, staff, clinicians, instructors, coaches and volunteers must read and adhere to the Code of Conduct.

## General:

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All participants must:

- Treat each other with respect and consideration.  
Harassment is prohibited. Harassment is any conduct and behavior that interferes with work and learning, *or* creates an offensive environment. This includes but is not limited to: obscene gestures, physical contact, use of profanity, language and display or circulation of written materials or pictures derogatory to gender, race, color, religion, creed, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, political beliefs, appearance or ethnicity.
- Avoid abusive and neglectful behavior.  
Abuse and neglect may include actions that manifest physically, verbally, sexually, or mentally. Abuse or neglect of any type is not tolerated and is cause for immediate dismissal.
- Report any practice or situation that endangers the health, safety, or well-being of yourself, employees, contractors, volunteers, sponsors and program participants. You have an ethical responsibility to inform one of the following people: Huayra Gomez-Garcia, Event Director, (703) 673-8820 or Bill Snyder, Chief Financial & Operating Officer, (301) 807-9180.
- Not be under the influence of any substance that impairs their ability to participate in on-hill and off-hill event activities, including but not limited to lessons, clinics, and race camp.
- Not smoke or use tobacco products of any type, including e-cigarettes at event activities, including but not limited to lessons, clinics, and race camp.
- Not use or possess alcohol if under the age of 21.
- Keep personal effects including valuables and medications secured. DSUSA is not responsible for any personal effects.
- Keep all event areas neat and clean and be respectful of other people's property.

## On-Hill:

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All participants must:

- Wear helmets when participating in downhill skiing, snowboarding or other downhill sliding activities. This includes instructors, coaches and volunteers.
- Wear an event bib when engaging in activities on the snow.
- Not use ear pieces (such as those connected to iPods and cell phones) while participating in snow sports or ice sport activities (with the exception of blind guide ear pieces and event radios).
- Ski, ride and perform any other downhill snow sports within the resort area boundary.
- Follow all snow sports resort area rules and procedures. These can be found at <https://www.breckenridge.com/the-mountain/about-the-mountain/mountain-info.aspx>.
- Not use the terrain park with equipment borrowed or rented from event suppliers or shops.

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## RESPONSIBILITY CODE

All will know, understand, and follow the [National Ski Areas Association Responsibility](#) Code, as follows:

- Always stay in control, and be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
- People ahead of you have the right of way. It is your responsibility to avoid them.
- You must not stop where you obstruct a trail, or are not visible from above.
- Whenever starting downhill or merging into a trail, look uphill and yield to others.
- Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
- Observe all posted signs and warnings. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
- Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely.

If you observe anyone not following the Code of Conduct, please let DSUSA staff or event staff know.

Failure to comply with the expectations and requirements established in this document may result in participant being sent home from Ski Spectacular. All travel costs associated with being sent home will be the participant's responsibility (i.e. airfare, airport transfers, etc.)