

Sugar Bowl Resort Uphill Use Policy – Before and After Operating Hours

Uphill use of the resort and its surrounding areas by means of skinning, snowshoeing, hiking, and running have gained popularity at Sugar Bowl. Sugar Bowl is located on both public and private land. Public land is governed by a Special Use Permit issued to Sugar Bowl by the United States Forest Service (“USFS”).

Users must abide by the rules and regulations established by Sugar Bowl and USFS when accessing Sugar Bowl Resort both during and after operating hours. It is prohibited for any person to approach within 100 yards of grooming machines, winch cats, winch cables (whether stationary or moving) or snowmaking equipment (to include but not limited to fan guns, high-pressure water lines, and high voltage electrical cables). Access to the resort trails or property at any time, with or without a ticket/pass, is at your own risk and you assume **ALL RISKS OF INJURY OR DEATH** associated with your use of resort property for any reason.

Respect all closure, warning signs and ropes no matter the time of day or season. If you decide to leave the ski area boundary, you are responsible for understanding and accepting the risks of your choice. You may not enter, leave, or re-enter Sugar Bowl Resort through a closed area.

The following are the policies you must follow for uphill travel at Sugar Bowl Resort. Please use common sense and good judgment at all times.

Uphill Use Policy During Operating Hours:

1. You must abide by the Placer County Skier’s Responsibility Code. If you don’t know it, ask us.
2. Be especially aware of other skiers and riders approaching from above and below when on the mountain.
3. Snowmobiles, snow cats, winch cables, snowmaking hoses, snowmaking electrical cables and other equipment may be encountered at any time. You assume all risks of encounters with this machinery and equipment.
4. Stay to the side of the groomed runs.
5. Dogs must be on a leash and owners must clean up after their dogs.
 - a) Dogs that chase machinery can be severely injured or killed, and can endanger you, employees, or others.
 - b) Sugar Bowl Resort is not responsible for injury to dogs or other pets.
 - c) Owners will be held responsible for any resulting damages or injuries to persons or property due to their animal.
6. Anyone accessing chairlift(s) must have a valid lift ticket or season pass.
7. Uphill access is allowed only on the following trails:

Mt. JUDAH

- Tunnel 41
- Buena Vista

Mt. LINCOLN

- Union Street
- Silver Belt Runout
- Henderson’s Bowl
- Station B
- Crowley’s
- Lake View

Mt. DISNEY

- Disney Return
- Disney Traverse
- Overland

Uphill Use Policy After Operating Hours

1. You must abide by the Placer County Skier’s Responsibility Code. If you don’t know it, ask us.
2. Constantly be on the lookout for snowmobiles, snowmaking equipment, groomers, winch cats and winch cables.
 - a) DO NOT enter areas where machinery is in use
 - b) The majority of machinery operations occur after hours. Pay close attention at all times.
3. Wear reflective and visible clothing or otherwise make yourself visible.
4. Headlamps are required to be turned on while on the mountain before 9:00 a.m. and after 4:30 p.m.
5. Dogs must be on a leash and owners must clean up after their dogs.
 - a) Dogs that chase machinery can be severely injured or killed, and can endanger you, employees, and others.
 - b) Sugar Bowl Resort is not responsible for injury to dogs or other pets.
 - c) Owners will be held responsible for any resulting damages or injuries to persons or property due to their animal.
6. If your presence on resort property presents a hazard or the resort staff feels that you are impeding the operations of the resort, you may be directed to utilize a different location. You must follow such direction, or you will be asked to leave the resort.
7. All trails other than those specified for Use During Operating Hours are closed to uphill or downhill use.
8. Stay to the center of the trail for best visibility.
9. Use of the terrain parks and terrain park features is prohibited after operating hours.

Hazards

Participants must be aware of and alert to mountain hazards. These include but are not limited to:

1. **Avalanche Danger and Explosives**

- a) Avalanche danger may exist at any time along many uphill routes. Following any amount of new snow or wind, Ski Patrol may conduct avalanche work, including the use of explosives. The hazard of avalanches, no matter how much effort by ski patrol, cannot be eliminated.
- b) Travel with all appropriate avalanche gear – shovel, probe, and beacon.
- c) Uphill access is prohibited when avalanche work is being conducted. Call 530-426-9000 for more information. Visit www.sierraavalanchecenter.org for backcountry avalanche information.

2. **Snowmaking Hoses** – Danger, high pressure! Don't walk or ski over hoses!

3. **Snowmaking Hydrants** – Don't fall in open sites or stay away from hydrants!

4. **Electrical Cords** – Danger, do not walk or ski over electrical cords!

5. **Snowmobiles** – Stay to the side of trails during operating hours, and in the middle of trails before or after operating hours. Stay away from snowmobiles and if you see one make yourself visible.

6. **Snow Cat Grooming Machines** – Give snow cats a wide berth and make yourself visible to operators. Don't assume they can see you!

7. **Winch Cat Operations** – Dangerous Cable! Snow cats attach to cables to complete grooming on steep slopes. Such work will involve cables stretched tightly across the terrain and is very dangerous. Under no circumstances may anyone access any area within the resort where winch cat operations are taking place. Skiing into them could result in serious injury or death. Winch cables have the tendency to move in any direction during operation.

8. **Other hazard areas, operations or conditions** may exist on-mountain including but not limited to the following risks: collisions with other skiers or snowboarders, natural and man-made objects, trees, rocks, fences, lift towers, snow making equipment, and over-snow vehicles, such as snowmobiles or grooming equipment; loss of control; variations in terrain and snow conditions; surface and subsurface snow conditions; bare spots; bumps; moguls; ice; stumps; forest growth and debris; erosion control devices; rocks; cliffs; steep terrain; avalanches; and traveling beyond the ski area boundary and in the backcountry, which poses additional hazards because such areas are not patrolled and are without avalanche control. Other risks include those associated with the use of the facilities, including mountain transportation, lifts, terrain parks, half pipes, and other park features, walking in lodges and parking lots.

9. **Sugar Bowl Resort is in a mountain environment** that requires your alertness, common sense, and caution. Read and obey all signs. Be sure your physical condition permits you to hike, ski, snowboard, skin, or otherwise use resort facilities; be aware that high elevation can accentuate existing health problems or concerns.

10. **There is no on-site medical/rescue response after hours** and assistance may take a long time to arrive. In case of an emergency call 911.

REQUIRED PASS AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY SIGNATURE

All persons are required to have an uphill travel pass, issued free of charge by Special Tickets at Judah Lodge or Village Tickets in the Lodge at Sugar Bowl, in order to travel uphill on Resort grounds. In addition, all persons are required to sign the Uphill Travel Policy Release of Liability, at the time of pass issuance. Persons traveling uphill without proper, required documents will be asked to leave the resort and obtain proper pass credentials before returning.

This policy is subject to change at any time. Please visit www.sugarbowl.com for current policies.