

MTTA Ski Patrol Commitment & Contract

The following criteria must be met and validated by the Ski Patrol Director no later than Dec. 1st in order to patrol.*

I am or will:

- ☐ Be at least 18 years old and will sign a DNR Waiver. *
- ☐ Have winter wilderness experience, map & compass, fire-starting, bivouac skills.
- ☐ Be able to ski or snowshoe miles of steep/deep snow in harsh winter weather.
- ☐ Have proper winter clothing and gear (as outlined in Ski Patrol Required Gear Checklist).
- ☐ Have adequate transportation to the MTTA Snoparks. (4 wheel drive, AWD, chains or traction devices).
- ☐ Purchase and properly display valid Snopark permit (winter) and Discover Pass (summer) if driving.
- ☐ Pay annual MTTA membership dues of \$25 (or be part of a \$35 family membership). *
- ☐ Attend Ski Patrol Training (3rd Sat. in July or Sept) for 3 consecutive years. *
- ☐ Participate in at least one official work project annually (2nd Sat. June–Oct) or arrange a project w/WP Coord.*
- ☐ Have a valid 1st Aid/CPR card (limited classes through MTTA). Provide current certification every 2 years. *
- ☐ Complete an Avalanche Awareness class (one time. Online tutorial available).*
- ☐ Accompany a veteran patroller on first mentor patrol to a hut (if a patroller is available).
- ☐ Patrol a minimum of 4 times; once each month Jan – March and once in Dec. or April.
- ☐ Work in the MTTA office at least once, mid-Dec.- mid-April. Will find a trained replacement if unable to.
- ☐ Do chores at huts (clean, shovel stairs, fill snow buckets/water filters, restock TP/towels, etc.)
- ☐ Be responsible for MTTA key at all times (pay \$10 replacement fee if lost and return if no longer patrolling).
- ☐ Always carry a pack with the 10 essentials and an MTTA radio (turned on).
- ☐ Leave children/pets home while on patrol unless another adult is able to supervise them. Pets must stay outside.
- ☐ Reserve and pay for lodging for family and friends. (Only patrollers can sleep in patrol rooms).

*Applicants unable to meet these criteria are encouraged to use the MTTA trail system until they have the necessary skills. (Must reserve and pay for hut reservations). **New candidates will be on probation for 1 year. Misbehavior may result in dismissal.***

MTTA Ski Patrol Code of Conduct

I will:

- ☐ Behave in an ethical, professional manner, so as not to jeopardize MTTA's reputation or create a liability.
- ☐ Treat everyone in a respectful manner, exhibit exemplary behavior, and be a positive role model.
- ☐ Honor MTTA rules and not abuse Ski Patrol privileges (Ski Patrol bunks, keys, access, etc).
- ☐ Work cooperatively and communicate with other patrollers (in person or via radio).
- ☐ Respect other's privacy and not divulge sensitive or confidential information.
- ☐ Seek advice from Leadership and notify them with concerns or problems.
- ☐ Know and carry out Ski Patrol duties and hut chores each time I patrol.
- ☐ Safeguard key, door codes, and always lock padlocks and gates.
- ☐ Not use bad language or negative actions while on patrol or around the public.
- ☐ Not use alcohol while patrolling (may use after-hours, but will remain competent to respond to emergencies).
- ☐ Not use illegal drugs at any time.

I have read, and agree to fulfill the Ski Patrol Commitment & Contract and abide by the Ski Patrol Code of Conduct. I understand that if I fail to comply with any of the above, behave inappropriately, or create a liability for MTTA, it may result in my termination from Ski Patrol.

Name (printed)

Signature

Date