

Mt. Hakkoda Local Rules

【Hakkoda Rules】

<The Mt. Hakkoda Local Rules are designed to allow all visitors to enjoy Mt. Hakkoda safely.>

The **Hakkoda Rules** are a combination of *rules to obey, established procedures, and precautions* for all visitors entering the mountain, including skiers, snowboarders, and snowshoe trekkers. They are put in place to prevent accidents or incidents within or outside of the Hakkoda ski area.

1. Controlled Areas

Direct Course & Forest Course

These courses are managed by Hakkoda Ski Resort, and are patrolled by ski patrol to ensure safety. There are guide poles and numbered signs posted for guidance, and no-entry signs with netting set up to prevent access into dangerous or forbidden areas.

2. Non-Controlled Areas

Backcountry areas, including tour routes such as Miyasama, Chuo, Kanjo, Io, Dozo, and Hakkoda Onsen, are not managed by Hakkoda Ski Resort.

Please understand that skiing and snowboarding are sports which carry inherent dangers and risks, especially in the natural environment of the backcountry. Please make careful preparations and exercise extreme caution when entering the mountain. You may freely enjoy the mountain, but understand that it is *at your own risk*.

3. Submission of Mountain Entrance Notification Form

You are required to submit a Mountain Entrance Notification Form before entering non-controlled areas including the backcountry. Information including method of contact, planned route, range of activities, and number of party members is critical to provide a rapid rescue response in case of incidents such as unexpected natural

disasters, unpredictable accidents, or injuries. The notification form is your lifeline in case of an unexpected incident.

4. Search & Rescue Activities and Fees

Search & Rescue activities requested in non-controlled areas (entire mountain except for controlled courses), controlled areas under closure, or anywhere outside of normal operating hours will incur a rescue fee. A consent agreement for billing will be made the moment rescue is requested, regardless if made by the person in need of rescue, friend, acquaintance, family member, accompanying party member, etc. Based upon the judgement of the rescue team, search and rescue activities may be cancelled due to safety concerns during inclement weather, disaster re-occurrence, or other factors.

Regarding Search & Rescue Fees

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Personnel Fee

Emergency Ropeway Operation

CAT Operation

@¥30,000 (Daily / person)

@¥50,000 (per loop)

@¥10,000(per hour/vehicle)

Emergency Lift Operation

@¥10,000 (per loop)

Other expenses (vehicles and personnel for logistics, communication, meal expenses etc.)

■ These Hakkoda Rules are provided by the [Hakkoda Mountains Snow Safety Convention](#). In the case of Search & Rescue activities, the amounts written above will be charged by the Hakkoda Mountains Ski Safety Convention.

Contact Hakkoda Mountains Ski Safety Convention (within Hakkoda Ropeway building)

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