

**COLORADO SKI SAFETY ACT** It is your duty to obey the law. Colorado law recognizes that dangers are inherent in the sport of skiing, regardless of any and all reasonable safety measures that can be employed. Therefore, the Colorado Ski Safety Act of 1979, as amended, contains provisions that are important to all members of the skiing public and outlines the responsibilities of all skiers. Copies of the Act are available at any ticket office or Ski Patrol facility. **WARNING** Under Colorado law, a skier assumes the risk of any injury to person or property resulting from any of the inherent dangers and risks of skiing and may not recover damages from any ski area operator for any injury resulting from any of the inherent dangers, stumps, trees, collision with natural objects, man-made objects or other skiers, variations in terrain, and the failure of skiers to ski within their own abilities. Colorado Law includes cliffs, jumps, extreme, and freestyle terrain in the inherent dangers and risks of skiing.

**YOUR RESPONSIBILITY CODE** Eldora can be enjoyed in many ways. You may see people using alpine, snowboard, telemark, cross-country, or other specialized ski equipment, such as that used by disabled skiers. Regardless of how you decide to enjoy the slopes, always show courtesy to others and be aware that there are elements of risk in skiing and snowboarding, which common sense and personal awareness can help reduce. Observe the code listed below and share with others the responsibility for a great skiing or snowboarding experience.

- Always remain in control and be able to stop or avoid other people and objects.

People ahead of you have the right of way. It is your responsibility to avoid them.
Do not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.

- Whenever starting downhill or merging onto 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 the ability to load, ride, and unload safely.

## **PLEASE BE AWARE** that Snowmobiles, Snowcats and Snowmaking equipment may be encountered at anytime.

Skiers and riders should be advised that a green circle, blue square or black diamond trail at Eldora is not necessarily the same as a similarly rated trail at another area. The system is a relative system that is valid only at this area. Skiers and riders should work their way up, beginning with the easiest trails no matter what their ability level may be, until they are familiar with the trails at Eldora.

**FREESTYLE TERRAIN** Designated with orange shading, freestyle terrain may contain jumps, hits, ramps, banks, fun boxes, jibs, rails, half pipes, quarter pipes, snowcross, bump terrain and other constructed or natural terrain features. Prior to use, you are responsible for familiarizing yourself with freestyle terrain and obeying all instructions, warnings, and signs. Freestyle skills require maintaining control on the ground and in the air. Use of Freestyle Terrain exposes you to the risk of serious injury or death. Inverted aerials are not recommended. You assume the risk.

**RESPECT GETS RESPECT** Respect Freestyle Terrain and others. Only one person on a feature at a time. Wait your turn and call your start. Always clear the landing area quickly. Respect all signs and do not enter Freestyle Terrain or use features when closed.

**LIFT SAFETY** Be advised that you cannot board a lift unless you have sufficient physical dexterity, ability, and knowledge to negotiate or to use such lift safely, or until you have asked for and received information sufficient to enable you to load, ride, and unload the lift safely. You may not use a lift or any ski trail when under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

**SLOW ZONES** Certain areas (highlighted on the map) are designated as SLOW ZONES. Please observe the posted slow zone areas by maintaining a speed no faster than the general flow of traffic. Fast and aggressive skiing and riding will not be tolerated.

**SNOW IMMERSION & TREE WELL SAFETY** If you leave the groomed trails at Eldora, you are voluntarily accepting the risk of a deep snow immersion accident. A deep-snow or tree-well immersion accident occurs when a skier or rider falls into an area of deep, unconsolidated snow and becomes immobilized and can suffocate.

**WARNING: RISK OF AVALANCHE** While snow safety and avalanche mitigation efforts help reduce the risk of avalanches, avalanches and snow slides may occur at ski areas, both inside and outside of the posted boundaries. Avalanches are an inherent risk of the sport due to the nature of snow and its application on steep, mountainous terrain. Become educated on how to reduce the risk of injury or death from avalanches through your own actions and awareness. Visit www.avalanche.org or contact Eldora Ski Patrol for further information on the risks and prevention of avalanche-related injuries or death.