



## Freestyle Travel Policy 2015/2016 SEASON

The Competition Center arranges for team travel and lodging for many training and competition projects. The goals of the Competition Center travel program are to provide economical and beneficial team transportation and lodging for our competitors. We believe there is great value in traveling as a team, not just for the ease on families, but for the extra time for coach-athlete interaction, competition planning, and social aspects of traveling as a group. The Winter Park Ski Education Foundation donated two vans to our travel fleet in the summer of 2008 to support the Competition Center's travel needs and the Competition Center has purchased a new 15 passenger last fall. The purpose of this document is to help families and athletes understand how we conduct team travel and our expectations of those traveling with the team.

### SIGNING UP FOR TEAM TRAVEL

Athletes must e-mail [imooney@winterparkresort.com](mailto:imooney@winterparkresort.com) or call 970-726-1586 to sign up for lodging. Verbal communication with the coach is not sufficient! Lodging information and deadlines will be communicated via constant contact newsletters and/or email blasts. Deadlines are typically two weeks in advance of the competition or 30 days in advance for out of state or international travel.

**Rocky Mountain Freestyle Competitive and Qualifier Series** – all athletes are expected to arrange their own lodging arrangements for travel to Rocky Mountain Competitive and Qualifier Series. Networking with other families and teammates is strongly recommended. There will be no lodging fees assessed for coaches' lodging to this level of competition. We will post a list of where coaches will be staying so you can book the same property if you choose. **Once the fact sheets are posted on the [www.rockymountainfreestyle.com](http://www.rockymountainfreestyle.com), the host site usually lists discounted properties for lodging**

**FIS and National Competitions** – at this level the athletes must be qualified to compete and are expected to lodge as a team for many reasons. If you accept your start and compete in any national or FIS level competitions, we will divide the coaches' lodging by athletes attending the competition. This will minimize cost to the individual by sharing the expense by all attending athletes. We will coordinate all travel to and from and share the additional transportation costs by athletes attending.

Payment of a lodging deposit of or providing a credit card will be required prior to the first event travel if your program provides lodging with the team. Van fees will also need to be paid prior to travel (see van fees below). Payment can be made by credit card, check or cash. Once an athlete travels the lodging cost and van fees will be charged or deducted from your deposit.

**Cancellation policy – after the lodging registration deadline, no refunds on lodging payments will be made except in the following cases:**

- Athlete injury or illness or family emergency
- Athlete qualifies for another higher level event in conflict with the original event
- Another athlete signs up late and fills the bed left vacant by the cancellation

No refunds made in the case of an athlete becoming academically ineligible unless someone takes their place on the trip and fills their bed. This cancellation policy is designed to protect the pricing for all who are properly registered since the lodging cost is shared equally by those on the trip.

**Late lodging sign-ups** will only be permitted if space is available. Athletes signing up late may need to sleep on the floor (if approved by the trip leader) but will pay the same price as those athletes sleeping in beds.

Lodging statements are always available at the main desk in the Balcony House.

## TEAM VAN POLICIES

Team van transportation will be available to Rocky Mountain Freestyle competitions, FIS competitions, USASA Freeski events, IFSA North American Junior events and various training projects. To keep up with team travel demands, the WPSEF donated two vans to the Competition Center, the Competition Center purchased a new van in the fall 2010 in 2013 and again in 2015. To maintain our fleet and be able to continue to meet athlete travel needs into the future, we charge van fees to any athlete riding in a team van. The van fees are listed below.

Location	Round trip cost
Aspen/Snowmass	\$ 20.00
Utah	\$ 40.00

Van fees are payable before the trip by credit card, check or cash.

There is limited seating on some trips, so please sign up early. Sign up by e-mailing [ccenter@winterparkresort.com](mailto:ccenter@winterparkresort.com), calling the comp center 970-726-1590 or stopping by the main desk. Van departure times will be listed at [wpcompcenter.com](http://wpcompcenter.com) or in some cases will be emailed to those who are signed up. Because the coaches generally need to arrive to the event site in time for a coach meeting, we will not wait for late arrivals, plan ahead!

- Athletes are responsible to keep all team vehicles clean. Team vehicles will be cleaned at the conclusion of each trip.
- All athletes must wear seatbelts and remain seated at all times while riding in team vehicles.

- Rude, disruptive, or dangerous behavior while traveling in team vehicles will not be tolerated.
- Special drop-offs and pick-ups other than at the Winter Park base and sometimes in Empire are generally not permitted, check with the lead coach for the trip if special arrangements have been made.

## COMPETITION TRIP EXPECTATIONS

We expect a high level of personal responsibility and excellent behavior of athletes who travel with the team to competitions and training projects. The Competition Center does not provide on-site supervision for every minute of team trips. There are instances where the coaching staff will need to attend event meetings or other activities and the athletes will be on their own in the team accommodations. The coaches will communicate responsibilities and meeting times to the athletes that they will be accountable for during these times.

Athletes lodging with the team are expected to adhere to the athlete code of conduct they have signed and the staff will enforce these standards. Families not comfortable with this will need to make their own arrangements for competition lodging.

Curfews will be assigned each night at the team meeting and are monitored by the coaches. Athletes in violation of the set curfew time may be pulled from the next day's event or sent home depending on the severity.

Study halls will be held on trips that require missed school. Bring homework assignments or a book. All athletes on the trip will take part in these study halls.

Meals are the responsibility of the athlete during the team trip. We generally try to find condo units with kitchens for trips longer than two days. Sometimes we will shop together and do a team dinner at the condo. Athletes are generally permitted to go out to a restaurant on their own provided they let the coaching staff know where they are going and when they will be back.

It is our policy to leave properties where we stay in a clean condition with no damage. If we are assessed any additional charges for cleaning or damage, these costs will be passed along to all of the athletes on the trip or in the room where the damage or mess occurred. The athletes are responsible to make sure their roommates pitch in to help us return units in excellent shape. Any breakage must be reported to the coach immediately.

Whether staying in a hotel room or in condo units, no boys will be allowed in girls' bedrooms/bathrooms and no girls will be allowed in boys' bedrooms/bathrooms except in the case of team meetings or video sessions where the room setup is such that it takes place in a bedroom. Violations of this policy may result in the athlete being pulled from the next day's event or sent home depending on the severity.

While traveling with the team, athletes may not ride in any vehicle other than the team vehicles or public transportation without the expressed permission of a parent. This includes riding in the car of another athlete on the team who may be at the event.

## PAYMENT FOR LODGING

Once you have signed up for lodging for a trip charges will be made to your credit card and or deducted from your deposit. If payment is not made you will not be traveling with the team.

## TRAVEL CONTACTS

### Lodging balances & payments:

Competition Center office: 970.726.1590 | 303.316.1590 [ccenter@winterparkresort.com](mailto:ccenter@winterparkresort.com)

### Freestyle coaching contacts for team travel:

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## Travel Policy Signature Page

All families taking part in team travel must sign and return this page to the Competition Center Office as part of your program registration package.

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Parent Signature

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Date

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Parent Name

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Athlete Signature

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