



Policies and Procedures

Title: Schweitzer Adaptive Devices Policy
Responsible Department: Risk & Safety

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POLICY:

Schweitzer allows the use of adaptive devices or other “manually powered mobility aids” designed for use on the ski slopes. Adaptive devices are any specialized equipment that has been designed and manufactured for use by individuals who have disabilities, including ski bikes, mono-skis, bi skis, outriggers, and sit-skis. The use of ski bikes or other adaptive devices by those without adaptive needs is prohibited. For those that have disabilities and wish to use adaptive devices on the slopes, our essential eligibility requirements for various activities are as follows.

Procedures:

1. Adaptive Device Requirements:
 - Equipment used will be designed for and fit for the intended purpose
 - Attachments, pivots, and connections must all be engineered solutions
 - Chairlift restraint bar must be used when transporting adaptive devices
 - Rider must use a safety leash
 - Rider must be able to load and unload the chairlift unassisted
 - If independent of the rider, the adaptive device must be able to securely stay on a chair with no assistance from the rider
 - Rider and adaptive device must be able to go through lift lines without causing interruptions
 - Adaptive devices must not be motorized
 - Rider is required to follow our Skier/Rider Responsibility Code
 - Ski Bikes are not allowed in Terrain Parks
 - Ski Bikes are not allowed on the 'Idyle Our' T-BAR and all fixed grip lifts.
(Sunnyside, Colburn Triple, Lake View Triple)
2. To allow the best opportunity to provide accommodation, our Guests must contact Schweitzer's Ski and Ride Center prior to the first time of use at our resort each season.



- Ski and Ride Center - will contact the manager to inspect equipment for accommodation.
- The manager will inspect equipment per the above list and confirm its adaptive use by asking the guest “Is this device needed for a disability?” Then—if appropriate—issue a Schweitzer Approved Adaptive Equipment tag that attaches to the ski bike like a ski pass with a zip-tie, so the guest is not delayed or denied lift access. The tag provides future access for that specific piece of equipment for that specific guest; neither are independently approved for unrestricted use. (Note: The manager should not make the guest wait longer than 15 minutes for arrival and inspection to avoid an undue burden for the guest.)
- The Ski & Ride Manager will send the following information to the Risk & Safety Manager with the subject: Approved Adaptive Equipment
 - Photo of guest’s pass/ticket
 - Full name of guest
 - Type of adaptive equipment
 - Serial number of the issued Approved Adaptive Equipment tag