

MOVEMENT PATTERNS AND CHARACTERISTICS OF SNOWBOARDERS BY LEVEL

First Timers: Never snowboarded at a mountain before

Mountain Magic:

Snowboards Green terrain on Magic Carpet and/or Penny Complex.

- Can put on and take off snowboard binding properly.
- Knows how to tie boots properly.
- Comfortable skating, gliding, navigating, and stopping with one foot strapped in the board at the bottom of the mountain (base area).
- Can load and unload chairlift properly and safely
- Able to turn to a stop on heel and toe side.
- Turns are choppy and riders prefer one turn to the other (heel or toe).
- Can do falling leaf comfortably.
- Willing to learn
- Knows Snowboarder's Responsibility Code

Mountain Adventure:

Rides all Green terrain. Snowboards most Blue terrain depending on snow conditions.

- Demonstrates S-turns on blue and green terrain.
- Able to perform skidded turns in both directions
- Can link turns of varying size at moderate speeds.
- Riders are starting to skid less, with the tail of the board following the tip, for more control of their line.
- Understands direction change will control speed.
- Starting to demonstrate carve turns.
- Motivated to learn more
- Starting to use Snowboarder's Responsibility Code

Mountain Excitement:

Rides all Blue and Green terrain in all snow conditions. Snowboards most black terrain in difficult snow conditions.

- Turns are rhythmic and flow with consistency.
- Can carve all turns and uses a skidded turn as a functional tool only, e.g. unloading from a chairlift, entering a chairlift line.
- Starting to be comfortable in riding moguls, freestyle moves, and various snow conditions.
- Have specific skills they would like to improve.
- Uses Snowboarder's Responsibility Code.