

## **Telford Ski Club**

## **Supervision of Children Policy**

Coaches, instructors and Committee Members (also referred to as volunteers) are responsible for the supervision of children whilst they are on the ski slope. When children are off the slope then parents are responsible for the supervision of their children.

Telford Ski Club will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that there are sufficient adults present to adequately supervise all participants on the slope and manage any incident that may arise by ensuring that the following guidelines are met:

There must be a minimum of two responsible adults present for each session. This ensures basic cover in the event of something impacting on the availability of one of the adults during the activity. A session can be supervised by people other than coaches, although coaches can count towards the number of responsible adults.

For mixed gender groups of children there should be at least one male and one female responsible adult present. This can be someone other than the coach, and may include Ski slope staff.

The following minimum guidelines for supervision of staff to children ratios are met:

- 4-8 years 1:6
- 9-12 years 1:8
- 13-18 years 1:10

Supervision ratios are not the same as coaching ratios

Coaches, instructors and Committee Members (also referred to as volunteers):

- Have had appropriate checks carried out
- Have had their role explained to them
- Understand what is acceptable practice and know who has overall responsibility for the group.

Any responsible adult must be a minimum of 18 years old. Whilst it is accepted that 16 year olds can do their Level 1 qualification, they are not 'adults' in child safeguarding terms and therefore must not count in the supervision ratios.