

# Woods Valley Daily Conditions Report

Date / Time of report: **Friday, January 19, 2018 – 8:45am**  
 Current Temperature: **13 degrees with overcast skies**  
 Current Wind: **East winds @3mph**  
 Today's Forecast: **High temp of 30 with snow flurries – west winds 5-8mph**  
 Hours of Operation today: **Lifts : 10am to 9pm. Snow Tubing : 6pm to 9pm**

**7+ inches of snow since Tuesday + 11 inches of new snow Saturday. Conditions are going to be amazing today and this evening and right through the weekend. Temps have finally risen into the 20's and 30's and will remain there all weekend.**

**With over 280 hours of snowmaking in the books so far this year we have a deep base of snow and with 18 inches of new natural snow over the past 5 days we are in great shape. We will have great mid-winter conditions for this evening.**

Trails Open	Day: 19 of 21. Night: 11 of 11 – Never ski or ride trails marked as closed.
Lifts Open	4 of 6 lifts.
Base Depth	18 to 42 inches.
New Snow	7 inches since Tuesday. 11 inches Saturday. 91 inches since November + 280 hours of snowmaking.
Surface Condition	Machine Groomed / Packed Powder. There are areas of ungroomed snow and snowmaking piles.
Surface Notes	Large piles of manmade snow on some trails. Some wet areas underneath the new snow. Glades will have thin cover.

Lifts	Status	Hours of Operation
I – Big Chair – Double Chair	Open	10:00am to 9:00pm
II – Small Chair – Double Chair	Open	10:00am to 9:00pm
III – T-Bar – Surface Lift (weekends/holidays)	Closed	Weekends 10am to 4pm
IV – Sun Kid Wonder Carpet	Open	10:00am to 9:00pm
V – Learning Carousel	Closed	Opening this weekend
VI – Snow Tubing Wonder Carpet	Open	6:00pm to 9:00pm

**What's Happening at Woods Valley Friday – January 19<sup>th</sup>** 7 inches of new snow since Tuesday and 11 inches of new snow Saturday. The report below is our projection as of the time of this report. Please be sure to observe all posted signs and warnings. Always ski in control and within your ability.


The weather forecast for today and this weekend is excellent. Temps will remain very comfortable right through the day today and all weekend – which is a welcome change after the long run of cold weather we have had. Snow Conditions are mid-winter packed powder.

**Live Music with Jay & Nick from Floodwood - 7 to 10pm. Don't miss the show! . We have Live Music every day we are open through Mid-March. Please Download our schedule from the event section on our homepage. This calendar is updated weekly. We also post the calendar in the lodge.**

Stay tuned for updates. As always, dress appropriately and enjoy some good clean fun in the great outdoors. ALWAYS Ski and ride in control and with caution. **Know The Code.** Check our Events section on the homepage / or our Facebook site for details.

Please stay up to date by visiting our website [www.woodsvalleyskiarea.com](http://www.woodsvalleyskiarea.com) and Facebook [www.facebook.com/woodsvalley](http://www.facebook.com/woodsvalley)

Difficulty	Trail Name	Status	Snowmaking	Groomed	Night Trail ?
Easiest	Easy Acres	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Learning Zone	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Broadway	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Fly Away	Open	No	Yes	No
Easiest	Round About	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Side Winder	Open	No	Yes	No
More Difficult	Copy Cat/Lower Park	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Bowl	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Upper Timmy's	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Short Cut	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Most Difficult	Peppers Pride	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Most Difficult	Sting	Open	No	No	No
Most Difficult	Timmy's Run	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Most Difficult	Snow Park	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Most Difficult	Deer Glade <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Open	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult	Freya's Woods <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Open	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult	Woody's Way <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Open	No	No	No
Most Difficult <b>Use extra caution</b>	Rabbit Hole <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult <b>Use extra caution</b>	Valkyries <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Open	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult <b>Use extra caution</b>	Valhalla <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Open	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult <b>Use extra caution</b>	Hemlocks <i>(all-natural skiing)</i>	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No

**Note:**  Indicates freestyle terrain.

**Note about *All-Natural Skiing* areas (Gladed Trails):** Please honor all ropes and signs. Use extra caution. Surface is not maintained. Many obstacles exist. Please ski with a friend.

NOTICE: The lift operating schedule, status of open/close trails, and snow conditions are subject to change throughout the day as a result of weather, skier/snowboarder traffic, and other influences beyond our control. Be aware of changing weather conditions. Natural and manmade obstacles exist. Snowmaking and Grooming activities are routinely in progress on trails designated as open. SKI AND RIDE WITH CARE. This report reflects the daily operational plan. Changes to this plan may occur from weather, snow conditions or other factors during the day or night.

**Snow Conditions Codes and Definitions:** The following surface condition codes and definitions explain the type of snow surface reported at Woods Valley. Woods Valley endeavors to inspect trails and report conditions consistent with terminology descriptive of surface condition(s) developed by the New York Ski Industry Association, Ski Areas of New York, Inc. These are approved by Article 18, the New York Safety In Skiing law.

**MG = MACHINE GROOMED.**

**BS = BARE SPOTS** - Areas of exposed underlying trail surface NOT covered with sufficient amounts of any form of snow, ice or other skiable material. No skier should attempt to ski over or through any Bare Spot or Spots.

**CO = CORN SNOW** - Large ice-like granules, which are loose during above-freezing temperatures and which freeze together during below-freezing temperatures. Corn snow is usually a product of the above/below freezing cycle of temperatures typical of spring days. Large ice-like granules which remain frozen together in extended cold periods, or chunks of ice created by incomplete grooming or icy surfaces are not characteristic of corn snow.

**FG = FROZEN GRANULAR** - Granular snow which was once wet and which has frozen together forming a rather solid or crusty-textured surface. It can return to loose granular after thawing or being worked by a grooming machine or from the effects of skier traffic breaking up the crust. Frozen granular snow will support a ski pole stuck into it. However, if the pole makes ice chips and the surface will not support the pole, the surface is ICY. **HP = HARD PACK** - Hard pack snow is a dense, compressed snow condition harder than packed powder and softer than ice.

**IP, IS = ICE PATCHES, ICY SURFACE** - Ice represents a hard, glazed surface usually created by freezing rain, or old surface snow melting and quickly refreezing again, or by ground water seeping up into the snow and freezing. Also may describe a very wet surface that has been skied into a smooth surface while above-freezing temperatures are existent and then rapidly dropping temperatures occur. When broken, ice breaks into chunks rather than granules. Patches describe localized occurrences of ice; surface describes a more prevailing icy condition on the slope.

**LG = LOOSE GRANULAR** - Loose granules similar to rock salt, usually formed after powder snow thaws, refreezes and crystallizes or an accumulation of sleet. Loose granular may also characterize surface conditions produced by machine conditioning of frozen granular or icy surfaces.

**P = POWDER** - New snow generally of dry and fluffy consistency. Will not make a snowball easily.

**PP = PACKED POWDER** - Loose powder snow compacted by rollers, drags or other mechanical apparatus or by skier traffic to a state which leaves little air space between particles. It is no longer fluffy, but it is not so extremely compacted that it is hard and icy.

**SC = SPRING CONDITIONS** - This term is used to characterize the wide variety of surface conditions which results from the alternate freezing and thawing of snow cover in spring weather. This term is used in place of other terms when the usual surface descriptions cannot accurately or completely describe the situation, that is, when no single surface type covers at least 50% of the skiable surface of a trail.

**TC = THIN COVER** - Indicates that the cover that currently exists will decline in quality due to skier traffic and may break through to the underlying trail surface. Thin Cover indicates that Bare Spots are anticipated to develop in the area during the day.

**V = VARIABLE** - A wide variety of conditions which cannot accurately or completely be described using usual terminology, such as when no single surface type predominates.

**WG = WET GRANULAR** - loose or frozen granular snow which has become wet and soft after a thaw or from a rainfall.

**WP = WET POWDER** - Powder snow that is wet when it falls (you can easily make a snowball) or dry powder that becomes wet as the temperature rises above freezing or is dampened by rain.

