



Woods Valley Daily Conditions Report

Date / Time of report: **Saturday, January 23, 2021 – 6:15am**
 Current Temperature: **12 degrees with cloudy skies**
 Current Wind: **East at 6mph**
 Today's Forecast: **High 16. WNW Winds 10 to 15mph, Chance of Snow 30%**
 Hours of Operation today: **Ski Area – 9am to 9pm. Snow Tubing – 12 to 8pm**

Snow has been falling on and off for the past several days. Another 5 inches fell late yesterday bringing this week's total to 15 inches. The report below is what we expect when we open today at 9:00am. A COVID Waiver and Health Screen Form will be required each time you visit this winter. Fill out these required forms and purchase online from our homepage. Tickets during peak ski and snow tubing periods will sell out. Buy early to ensure you get the days you want. Always check the local forecast before you purchase – online sales are final.

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| Trails Open | 16 trails open through dusk / 11 trails for night skiing. |
| Lifts Open | 6 of 6 lifts. |
| Base Depth | 16 to 32 inches. Thinner cover on side of trail and on Natural Snow trails. |
| New Snow | 5 inches Friday and 15 inches of new snow since Monday. 225 hours of snow making so far this season. |
| Surface Condition | Machine Groomed and Packed Powder. |
| Surface Notes | Snow Making will resume tomorrow. We received 5 inches of snow late yesterday and 15 inches since Monday. |

| Lift (face mask always required in lift line) | Status | Hours of Operation |
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| I – Big Chair – Double Chair | Open | 9:00am to 9:00pm |
| II – Small Chair – Double Chair | Open | 9:00am to 9:00pm |
| III – T-Bar – Surface Lift | Open | 12:00pm to 4:00pm |
| IV – Learning Zone Carpet | Open | 9:00am to 9:00pm |
| V – Learning Carousel | Open | Weekends - As needed with Ski School Lessons |
| VI – Snow Tubing Carpet | Open | 12:00pm to 8:00pm |

What's Happening at Woods Valley – Saturday, January 23rd We have completed over 225 hours of snow making so far this season and have most of our acreage open. We have received 24 inches of snow over the past week and more is expected today.

Please review our COVID policies – posted on our homepage. **DON'T BE THE REASON WE LOSE THE SEASON.** The longer-term forecast remains excellent for continued mid-winter snow conditions. If you are eating near your vehicle, please be respectful of our property – and our liquor license. Do not leave behind any garbage and consumption of alcohol on a licensed property is prohibited. Our cafeteria and bar are open as well. Thank you.

Stay tuned for updates. As always, wear your mask, keep your distance, wash your hands, 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.

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| Difficulty | Trail Name | Status | Snowmaking | Groomed | Night Trail? |
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| Easiest | Easy Acres | Open | No | Yes | Yes |
| Easiest | Learning Zone | Open | No | Yes | Yes |
| Easiest | Broadway | Open | No | Yes | Yes |
| Easiest | Fly Away | Open through dusk | No | Yes | No |
| Easiest | Round About | Open | No | Yes | Yes |
| Easiest | Side Winder | Open through dusk | No | No | 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 | Closed | No | No | No |
| Most Difficult | Timmy's Run | Open | No | Yes | Yes |
| Most Difficult | Snow Park | Open | No | Yes | Yes |
| Most Difficult | Deer Glade (all-natural skiing) | Open through dusk | No | No – Natural Terrain | No |
| Most Difficult | Freya's Woods (all-natural skiing) | Open through dusk | No | No – Natural Terrain | No |
| Most Difficult | Woody's Way (all-natural skiing) | Open through dusk | No | No | No |
| Most Difficult Use extra caution | Rabbit Hole (all-natural skiing) | Closed | No | No – Natural Terrain | No |
| Most Difficult Use extra caution | Valkyries (all-natural skiing) | Closed | No | No – Natural Terrain | No |
| Most Difficult Use extra caution | Valhalla (all-natural skiing) | Closed | No | No – Natural Terrain | No |
| Most Difficult Use extra caution | Hemlocks (all-natural skiing) | 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.

