



# Mono/Duel Ski Equipment loan Policy

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## 1. General

Snow Buddies UK has a Duty of Care towards everyone who uses their equipment and is committed to promoting a safe skiing environment without compromising the enjoyment of disabled skiing.

Snow Buddies UK aims to work in a professional manner in order to ensure that people with disability are not excluded from the joys of skiing because they cannot afford the specialist equipment required for their sport.

Snow Buddies UK loans out equipment for the private use of competent independent skiers and under special arrangements to other Charities and ski organisations.

Snow Buddies UK does not loan out equipment to be used by beginners and inexperienced skiers who cannot ski to the appropriate standard (see para 7).

Equipment types and availability can be found on our web site:-

[www.snowbuddiesuk.com/equipment](http://www.snowbuddiesuk.com/equipment)

## 2. Loan and Charges.

The equipment owned by Snow Buddies UK, is available to make social skiing possible for those who cannot afford to buy their own adaptive equipment. All equipment is loaned with the agreement of a fixed donation to Snow Buddies UK.

- a. Daily Loan.  
Daily loan is sometimes possible for use in the UK. There is no charge for this service.
- b. Weekly Loan.  
There is no hire charge but there is a maintenance fee of £200 per week per Mono/Duel Ski owned by Snow Buddies UK.
- c. Payments.

### For BACs payments

Account Name:- Snow Buddies UK  
Account No:- 54225160  
Sort Code:- 30-84-79

### For Cheque

Make payable to:- Snow Buddies UK  
And Post to:- Snow Buddies UK  
30 Prescelly Close  
Nuneaton, CV10 8QA

If you would like to make an extra donation that will help provide a greater variety of equipment in the future you can do so via our website:- [www.snowbuddiesuk.com/](http://www.snowbuddiesuk.com/)

## 3. Transference

The use of the loaned equipment is not transferable. The loaned equipment is the property of Snow Buddies UK and is loaned for the sole use of the person named on the loan application form.

#### 4. Equipment Management.

All Snow Buddies equipment is managed by the equipment manager whose decision on all equipment related matters is final. The equipment manager can be contacted by emailing. [snowbuddiesuk@gmail.com](mailto:snowbuddiesuk@gmail.com)

#### 5. Responsibility

- a. The equipment is loaned uninsured. Equipment insurance and third party liability insurance is the responsibility of the signatory at annex "A" to this policy.
- b. The use of the loaned equipment takes place at the users own risk.
- c. Snow Buddies UK are not financially liable for loss of, or damage to the equipment.
- d. Any damage to or loss of the equipment is the responsibility of the signatory on the loan application form, to make good or replace.

#### 6. Safety

- a. All safety measures must be observed when using Snow Buddies Equipment including but not exclusively wearing a ski helmet.
- b. Equipment must only be used as intended by the manufacturer.

#### 7. Ski standard

- a. This includes;
  - i. Trips with Snow Buddies UK.
  - ii. Trips with other Charities or Trusts.
  - iii. Private trips with family or friends.
- b. For Mono skis.

Snow Buddies have adopted the recreational ski standard as the minimum ski ability required to use a Snow Buddies Mono Ski. With the exception that it is excepted that on the first trip abroad chair lifts will be unfamiliar to the skier.
- c. Recreational Standard.

By definition is: - **The ability to use all lifts, perform controlled linked turns, control speed and direction and stop confidently.**
- d. For piloted dual ski  
To pilot a Tessier dual ski owned by Snow Buddies UK the pilot must have passed the Tessier pilot training course and be able to produce their pass certificate as evidence.

#### 8. Helpers

- a. Snow Buddy ski trips  
Snow Buddies have a list of helpers who are all experienced skiers and volunteer their time to help and participate on Snow Buddy ski trips.

Skiers may arrange their own helper as long as their ski knowledge and experience is acceptable to Snow Buddies.

b. All other ski trips.

Helpers of an appropriate ski standard and knowledge are the sole responsibility of the signatory on the loan application form.

## 9. Equipment care

Day to day maintenance.

It is the responsibility of the user to ensure the equipment is maintained to the same standard that it was received in. Equipment must be returned in the condition it was received otherwise further appropriate maintenance bills may be raised.

Equipment must be checked each time it is used.

b. Alterations and modifications.

No alterations or modifications are to be made to Snow Buddies equipment without the prior agreement of the equipment manager.

c. Equipment damage.

Any equipment damage is to be reported as soon as it occurs to the equipment manager by emailing [snowbuddiesuk@gmail.com](mailto:snowbuddiesuk@gmail.com).

The equipment is not to be used until a repair decision has been made by Snow Buddies UK.

## 10. Equipment Collection for Trips and Holidays

Equipment collection will be agreed with the equipment manager at the time of booking. It can be collected from and returned to our storage unit at CV10 0RY normally any day between 09.00 and 18.00.

Equipment will be made available with enough time to allow familiarisation prior to departure.