

Sharks Ski Club **Supervision of Children Policy**



Sharks Ski Club will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that there are sufficient adults present to adequately supervise all participants 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 ratio's 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

- Parents or carers may count towards the supervision ratio if they have:
 - Formally volunteered for the role of supervisor
 - The appropriate checks have been carried out
 - Their role has been explained to them
 - They 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.