

Revelstoke Mountain Resort Paragliding Program

Information, Rules & Regulations

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Mt Mackenzie is a world class flying site. Paragliding at RMR and using the resorts infrastructure to access launch is a privilege. The following is a mandatory structure for the paragliding program at Revelstoke Mountain Resort. This applies for both winter and summer operations. All pilots will adhere to directions and notices issued by RMR and or Revelstoke Paragliding. All pilots will be respectful of other resort visitors. All pilots will fly safely, will obey airspace regulations, will not obstruct helicopter operations on or near the mountain, and will not interfere with Revelstoke Mountain Resort activities, events and equipment. All pilots will be required to check in with RMR Guest Services to show proof of meeting the below requirements; RMR will make a copy of their HPAC insurance and all pilots are to sign a RMR release of liability prior to travelling up the mountain. Upon verification and signing the release the pilot will be issued a special holographic sticker on their lift pass that must be presented to the ticket checkers at the gondola stations in order to board the gondola.

Revelstoke Paragliding is responsible for:

Liaising with Revelstoke Mountain Resort on all matters related to paragliding.

Liaising with all private landowners on all matters related to the landing fields.

Ensuring that all pilots meet and maintain the requirements to fly the site.

Ensuring that all pilots are aware of and comply with all rules and procedures outlined in this document.

Requirements for pilots:

HPAC Intermediate Rating (P3) or Foreign Equivalent.

HPAC Novice Rating (P2) or Foreign Equivalent ***MUST be under supervision of a qualified instructor.***

Valid HPAC insurance.

Logged a minimum of 90 flights and 60 hours thermic airtime.

A paraglider with an EN rating and appropriate for the pilot's skill level.

Airspace

The area around the resort has a Transport Canada "G" classification; therefore, it is designated as "uncontrolled" or "open" air space. All VFR Navigation charts (VNC) have a CYA designation for Hang Gliding (Paragliding) above Mt. Mackenzie. Ceiling is 12500ft. Class B Low Level Airway.

Communications

Anyone using the resort as a launch site will:

Have a vhf radio with common paragliding channel RX 146.415 / TX 146.415 (Direct)

Strongly recommended to have a gps tracking device ie: InReach or Spot

It is recommended to have RMR's designated channel RX 164.520 / TX 168.180 (Repeater, RX/TX Tone: 110.9, Band: Wide) to reach dispatch and patrol in the event of an emergency.

It is recommended to have uhf Airband radio with local channel 122.800. Notify local air traffic that you are flying in the area. Monitor Airband while in flight.

Local Search and Rescue can be reached at 250-837-4187 or by calling 911.

Launch and Landing sites and No Fly Zones.

Designated sites are established and must be adhered to unless in the case of an emergency. See attached map showing launches, LZ's and hiking access routes.

No fly Zones:

DO NOT fly over the airport.

DO NOT fly below tree top elevation over runs.

Set distances / clearances from lifts and buildings are as follows:

Vertical separation is 100m minimum (328ft)

Horizontal separation is 50m minimum (164ft)

Top of Stoke Chair launch is P3+ ONLY. Not to be used if the lift is operational for maintenance or any other reason.

The Catherwood Rd LZ is private land. We are very lucky to have it as an option. If at any time a horse and rider, or several horses, are seen in the field please choose an alternate LZ or land as far away from the animal as possible. Never fly over at lower level as this could spook the animal and ultimately injure both horse and rider.

Winter Flying

No foot launching during the ski season.

All flights are to be done as ski launches.

No landing on any ski runs during the ski season unless in the event of an absolute emergency.

Sunshine Launch, 3km Launch, 6km Launch and 9km Launch MAY NOT be used during the ski season.

Emergency Rescue Plan

All pilots will have a self-rescue kit and plan for self-rescue prior to launch.

A WCB Level 3 Trauma pack and oxygen kit are in the back of the shuttle van.

A Rescue cache with stretchers, back board, splints and blankets is in the patrol shack at the top of the Stoke Chair.

In the event of an incident / accident / emergency communicate with: Revelstoke Paragliding, RMR Dispatch/Patrol, Search and Rescue.

You are using the facilities at your own risk. Revelstoke Mountain Resort assumes no responsibility!

Pilots

All pilots must have proof of HPAC insurance. All pilots must meet the following criteria prior to being authorized to use the resort to access launch:

Pilots must have signed the waiver specific to paragliding at Revelstoke Mountain Resort.

Pilots must have reviewed and signed the Paragliding Program document, highlighting the specific site rules and regulations.

Pilots must have a self-rescue plan and equipment.

Hours of Operation and Access

Paragliding will operate within the resort's hours of operation and primarily off the lift infrastructure. Late afternoon / early evening flights as well as early season and late season vehicle access and Hang Glider access will be permitted on a case-by-case basis to be determined by Revelstoke Paragliding and RMR Operations.

Flying from RMR is a privilege. Please follow the rules as we hope to fly here in perpetuity. It is a high mountain site that demands respect and care. Please come prepared with a solid understanding of weather forecasting.

Anyone found accessing the site without registration and waiver documentation completed; or not complying with the above rules will have their access revoked and be required to leave the site.

The Paragliding Program Policy is to be reviewed and signed annually in addition to the Release of Liability Waiver.

I _____ have read and understand the above information regarding the Revelstoke Mountain Resort Paragliding program. I agree to follow and abide by these rules and regulations when flying at RMR from Mt. Mackenzie.

Signed, _____ Date: _____

Witness, _____ Date: _____

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Waiver signed.

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Paragliding Program Policy signed.

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Copy of current valid HPAC license including general liability insurance coverage.

RMR Designated Launch Sites, LZ's and Hiking Access Routes

