

Snowsports Trainers Workshop Guide: Snowboard

The Instructor Candidate is evaluated in each portion for:

- * Technical Knowledge for the Skill
- * Teaching/Coaching of the Skill
- * Toboggan Skills
- * Safety

- * Demo of Skill at or above Alpine Patroller Level.
- * MA/Evaluation of the Performance
- * People Skills & Communication
- * How all Fundamentals Relate

Review of Safety when Teaching.

Warm Up - Appropriate terrain. Informal assessment of the group's skill and ability.

1. Fundamentals & Application -

- * **Review Fundamentals:** Focusing on Pressure, Edging & Rotary and how they are applied throughout the tasks and maneuvers.
- * **Movement Analysis**, how to Observe, Evaluate, and Prescribe & utilize fundamentals to discover real vs ideal movements & discover cause and effect relationships. *Remember: DIRT: Duration, Intensity, Rate and Timing)*
- * <u>Create a focus for the day</u> that helps instructors understand & evaluate a candidate so they can & build progressions, referencing fundamentals, to create successful results.

2. Skill Teaching & Demonstrations - Allow maneuvers & varied terrain to help guide discussions. (refer back to fundamentals, MA, and Tactics & Progressions).

- * **Aligned Athletic Stance** (Purpose, Drills, Challenges)
- * **Traverse** Toe & Heel sides. (*cue: cue: Board tracks in snow, body position, COM*)
- * **Sideslip** Toe and heel side in the fall line (cue: fall line descent, speed controlled by tilt)
- * **Falling leaf** both sides (cue: controls fore and aft movement with pressure &/or twist)
- * **Quick Stops** both sides stopping in a flexed position (cue: fall line descent, pivoting board perpendicular to fall line under a stable upper body with a controlled stop in the fall line.)
- * **Pivot Slips:** keep the COM moving straight down the fall line, twisting/pivoting the board under a stable upper body.
- * One Footed Uphill Step, Uphill Traverse: Explain skill, usage, & Mechanics
- * Instructor/Group: develop individual lesson plans for each participant

3. Short Radius Turns on Moderate to Steep Groomed Terrain

- * Objectives for various levels & uses.
- * Demo and Individual Feedback & Discussion & by lead instructors
- * Potential Practice Drills related to one or more of the fundamentals.
 - * Upper & Lower body aligned with the board and/or with Up/Lower body Sep.
 - * Flashlight turns to work on Leg Steering
 - * Torsional Twist and Active Steering
 - * Synchronized Riding
 - * Figure 8 Riding
- * Instructor/Group: develop individual lesson plans for each participant

4. Medium Radius Turns on Moderate to Steep Groomed Terrain

- * Objectives for various levels & uses.
- * Demo and Individual Feedback & Discussion
- * Practice Drills related to one or more of the fundamentals.
 - * Garlands across the fall line in both directions to show twist & Pivot
 - * Upper & Lower Body Aligned with the Board.

4. Medium Radius Turns on Moderate to Steep Groomed Terrain (continued)

- * Garlands (continued)
 - * Pull down on the bottom of the jacket with both hands on side for upper body alignment.
- * Cadence Turns: by counts to maintain a consistent speed throughout the turn 1-2-3 Turn, 1-2-3-4 Turn
- * Early turn initiation with weight transfer to the new edge at the top of the turn.
- * Leapers for weight transfer and develop pressure management.
- * Half Carved/Half Skidden Turns: Carve on heel side and skid on toe side, then try to carve on toe side and skid on heal side, developing tilt and rotary awareness.
- * Pencil and Eraser Turns: First rider carves and the second rider erases carves with skidded turns.
- * Synchronized Skiing/Riding & Follow the Leader
- * Instructor/Group: develop individual lesson plans for each participant

5. Long Radius Turns on Moderate Groomed Terrain

- Objectives for various levels & uses.
- * Demo and Individual Feedback & Discussion & by lead instructors
- * Practice Drills related to one or more of the fundamentals.
 - Upper & Lower Body Aligned with the board.
 - * Carved Garlands with edge release then returning to edge. 2-1-2
 - * Patience Turns
 - * J Turns.
 - * Leapers and Dolphin Turns
 - * Flexing at edge change to encourage early edge engagement
 - * Synchronized Skiing/Riding & Follow the Leader
- * Instructor/Group: develop individual lesson plans for each participant

6. Mogul Skiing on Steep or Ungroomed Terrain

- Assessment & Understanding of fundamentals through a progression.
 - Participants introduce a tactic/progression to teach the bumps.
- * Practice Drills related to one or more of the fundamentals.
 - * Sideslip: Toe and Heel side
 - * Falling Leaf: Toe and Heel side
 - * Independent Leg Movement (Ollies)
 - * Traverse with Absorption of terrain using independent Flexion/ Extension
 - * Medium Radius Turns with Absorption
 - * Short Radius Turns with consistent speed
 - * Traverse bumps with snowballs in hand to practice absorption
- * Instructor/Group: develop individual lesson plans for each participant

7. <u>Basic Medium/Large Switch Turns</u>

- * Objectives for various levels & uses.
- * Demo and Individual Feedback & Discussion & by lead instructors
- * Practice Drills related to one or more of the fundamentals.
 - * Switch Traverses on both heel & toe sides
 - * Switch Hopping Traverses on both heel & toe sides
 - * Switch Garlands on both heel & toe sides
 - * Switch J and C turns on both heel & toe sides: