



SNOWY RIVER SKI CLUB COOPERATIVE LIMITED

BOOKING RULES AND PROCEDURES

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PART 1. DEFINITIONS

- a) **Member** - the person named on the share certificate (in the case of joint shareholders, the first person named on the share certificate is the Member).
 - b) **Associate** - a person nominated as such by a Member, who may or may not be a Family Associate
 - c) **Family Associates** - has the meaning given in Part 2 section 3
 - d) **Guests** - non-Members invited and sponsored by Members.
 - e) **Seasons** - Winter season runs from the Queen's Birthday holiday in June through to the Labour Day holiday in October or until the official end of the extended season or unless determined otherwise by the Board. The remaining time is the Summer season.
 - f) **7 Night Week** on seven nights from noon on a Sunday to noon on the following Sunday.
 - g) **6 Night Week** – six nights from noon on a Sunday to noon on the following Saturday.
 - h) **5 Night Week** - five nights from Sunday noon to the following Friday noon.
 - i) **Accommodation Entitlement** - For both summer and winter, an entitlement of 28 bed nights is available for each Membership of 700 shares.
 - j) **Confirmation of Booking Request** - A written confirmation of a booking (signed by the Booking Officer or his or her nominated representative) which entitles the Members, Associates and/or invited guests to accommodation over the specified period.
 - k) **Lodge Host(s)** - A person or persons nominated by the Booking Officer to act as Manager(s) of the Lodge over a specified period.
 - l) **Booking Officer(s)** - A person or persons nominated by the Board to operate the Club's accommodation system.
 - m) **Lease** – the lease of the Lodge premises granted by the NPWS as amended or renewed from time to time.
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PART 2. BOOKING RULES

1 Objectives of the Booking Rules and Procedures

These booking rules and procedures have been designed to meet the following objectives:

- As a first priority to enable each Member, either personally or with Associates and/or guests, the opportunity to use the Lodge.
- To ensure that the Lodge occupancy is sufficiently high so that accommodation rates can be kept as low as possible.
- To ensure that lodge occupancy complies with the conditions of the Lease.

Changes and variations to these booking rules and procedures may be made by the Board at any time as the need arises.

2 The Role of the Booking Officer

The Booking Officer operates the Club's accommodation booking system in consultation with the Board for the benefit of all Members. In so doing, the Booking Officer follows rules authorised by the Board from time to time. No set of rules will cover every situation and the Booking Officer may be confronted with situations either not covered at all by the rules, or where application of the rules in the normal manner could be seen to be inappropriate. The Booking Officer may use discretion to meet situations not covered by these booking procedures, including where he or she believes it necessary or reasonable to ensure there is no breach of the Lease.

Where possible, the Booking Officer will consult the Chairman or two other Directors in advance and will advise the Board at its next meeting of any discretionary decisions not covered by these procedures.

3 Associates

Each Member may nominate 3 Associates. A Member may only nominate more than 3 Associates if all the Associates are Family Associates.

Each of the following is a Family Associate: the spouse (including a de facto spouse) of the Member; and any child of the Member or the Member's spouse. For this purpose a child must be under 18, or under 21 and largely dependent on the Member for financial support.

For example, a Member may nominate as Associates:

- (a) three friends
- (b) one Family Associate (e.g. a spouse) and two other persons;
- (c) a spouse, 4 of the Member's children under the age of 18;
- (d) a spouse, 3 of the Member's children and one child dependent under 21 who lives with the Member.

To obtain accommodation in any calendar year at the Members' rate for an Associate, whether that person is a Family Associate or not, the Member must nominate that person as an Associate in writing (email acceptable) to the Secretary by 31 December in the preceding year. The nomination takes effect for all that following calendar year, and cannot be changed during that calendar year. All nominations will remain unchanged unless advised in writing (including by email) by the Member.

The date for determining whether a person is too old to be a Family Associate for bookings in any calendar year is 1 January of that year. Each Member must advise the Secretary when a child Family Associate nominated by that Member ceases to qualify as a Family Associate because the child has attained the age of either 18 or 21 years (as applicable).

4 Conduct of Guests

All guests and dependent children (under 18) must be accompanied by the sponsoring Member or an Associate over 18. An exception may be made to this rule when another Member who will be present at the Lodge is prepared to host the sponsoring Member's guests. In this instance, it is the sponsoring Member's responsibility to seek the host Member's agreement and to inform the Booking Officer at least 14 days prior to the first day of the accommodation period or at the time of the booking. No confirmation of a booking request will be issued unless this rule is adhered to. In all cases, the sponsoring Member will be held responsible for the conduct of all guests and dependant children booked in that Member's name.

An Associate over 18 years of age may use the Lodge in the absence of the Member. Associates under 18 must be accompanied by the Member or Associate over 18, or hosted by another Member.

5 Room Characteristics and Bed Entitlement under the Lease

Room 1	3 beds plus one divan
Room 2	2 beds plus one divan
Room 3	3 beds plus one divan
Room 4	4 beds plus one divan, ensuite
Room 5	2 beds only
Room 6	2 beds only
Room 7	2 beds only
Room 8	2 beds only
Room 9	4 beds plus one divan, ensuite

The total number of beds is 24, which is the bed entitlement specified in the Lease and must not be exceeded. That figure does not include children less than 5 years of age. The divans are not normally intended for overnight sleeping and are not counted in the bed entitlement. They can be used by children under 18 years of age to provide some flexibility in accommodating families, provided that the total number of lodge occupants aged five or more does not exceed the maximum allowed under the Lease.

Members must bring their booking and payment confirmations with them whenever staying in the Lodge.

6 Basis for Bookings (Beds)

All bookings are made on the basis of one person per bed. Booking shall preferably be made for whole rooms rather than beds.

Where a Member specifically requests sole occupancy of a particular room for their party, all beds in that room must be paid for and will count against the Member's accommodation entitlement. Room allocation or reallocation is ultimately at the discretion of the Booking Officer in the 'wider' interests of all Members. Refunds will be provided where appropriate. Members may find that they are allocated rooms larger than requested. Extra charges are not levied in these circumstances.

7 28 Day Accommodation Entitlement

A Member's 28 night accommodation entitlement may be booked in any one or more of the following configurations:

- a. a 7 Night Week;
- b. a 6 Night Weeks;
- c. a 5 Night Week;
- d. 2 nights Friday and Saturday (with a maximum of 4 such entitlement bookings per year); and
- e. 1 night Friday or Saturday only (with a maximum of 4 such entitlement bookings per year).

By way of example, the following bookings could be made utilising a member's full entitlement::

- 1 x 7 night week for two persons – 14 entitlement nights
- 1 x 5 night week for two persons – 10 entitlement nights
- 2 x Friday and Saturday weekend booking for two persons - 4 entitlement nights

Any unused portion of a Member's accommodation entitlement cannot be carried forward from one season to another. The accommodation entitlement time may be used by Members, Associates and invited guests at the prescribed rates. The dates from which booking requests can be made are set out in section 8 below, and the priority for bookings is set out in the table in Part 3 below.

As stipulated in the Lease, no person other than a bona fide manager of the premises may stay in the Lodge for more than 6 weeks in any Winter season.

8 Advance Bookings

Bookings for 5, 6 or 7 Night Weeks for the Winter season can only be made from 1 January and any booking requests received before that date will be read as at 1 January.

Bookings for 2 night (Friday and Saturday) weekends for the Winter season can be made from 1 March and any booking requests received before that date will be read as at 1 March.

Bookings for a Friday or a Saturday night for the Winter season can be made from 1 April and any booking requests received before that date will be read as at 1 April.

Bookings for the Summer season can only be made as from 1 July and any booking requests received before that date will be read as at 1 July.

9 Vacated Rooms and Cancellations

The Booking Officer reserves the right to re-let all rooms vacated by the occupants prior to the end of their accommodation period.

Occupants who vacate their rooms early may not re-allocate or re-sell their accommodation even if the booking was made against their accommodation entitlement. The Booking Officer or his/her nominated representative is the only person authorised by the Board to allocate and/or sell accommodation in the Lodge. The Lodge Host is not authorised to make bookings.

Fees for confirmed bookings will only be refunded, upon application, if the number of vacant beds on the booked night is less than the number of beds which were booked but not used by the Member, and only to that extent. For example if there are two vacant beds and the relevant booking was for three beds, one bed-night would be refunded. Any application for a refund must be made in the same calendar year as the booked date (or dates), or otherwise within 2 months of the booked date (or dates).

Members are encouraged to let the Booking Officer know of their proposed early departure or cancellation as soon as possible in order to allow other Members to use the Lodge.

10 Whole Lodge Bookings

Whole Lodge Bookings are available only during the summer season at the scheduled rates. Normal bedroom capacity rules apply and only children less than 18 years of age are permitted to use the divans for overnight sleeping.

11 Transfer of Entitlement

A Member may, upon written application to the Board, split the accommodation entitlement of 28 bed nights proportionately between the first and second named persons on the share certificate, to allow the second named person to book accommodation against the allocated portion, independent of the first named person.

Once the written application has been approved, it will remain in force until advice from the Member in writing to the contrary is received by the Board.

12 Access to the Lodge

It is the responsibility of each person booked into the Lodge to ensure that they can gain access.

13 Responsibility for Keys

A key to the lodge front door is permanently located in a key safe, immediately to the right of the door. Visitors to the lodge will be able to use this key, rather than having to pick up a key from the summer or winter booking officer.

The code for the key safe will be changed regularly and the current code will be provided to members when bookings are confirmed.

All sets of keys remain the property of the Club and are to be held by the Booking Officer for distribution to the Members who have made bookings.

No Member is to obtain or hold a personal set of keys.

All sets of keys are identified by different coloured tags. The Member who takes the keys is responsible for their return within 48 hours after closing down the Lodge.

A fine of \$50 may be imposed upon the Member who takes the keys and does not ensure that they are returned within 48 hours of closing down the Lodge.

Once a fine is imposed, no further bookings will be made for the offending Member until the fine is fully paid. If the fine is not paid within a timeframe specified by the Board the Rule 20 (Expulsion) and/or Rule 20A (Suspension) will be exercised.

Objections to the fine may be lodged in writing to the Board for consideration.

14 Emergency Access

Emergency access to the Lodge is via a combination lock on the storeroom door. However, there is no access to the main set of keys. The combination will be regularly changed. To obtain the combination it will be necessary to phone one of the Booking Officers.

PART 3. BOOKING PROCEDURES

1. Accommodation booking can be made by phone, or by email with follow-up by phone. In the first instance, refer to SRSC website for availability for winter bookings - <http://www.snowyiverskiclub.com.au>.

(a) Booking by phone

- Member phones the Booking Officer.
- Accommodation availability to checked and determined.
- Payment amount is determined and agreed.
- Any other outstanding payments are identified and agreed (subscription, locker, phone/ shop, levy), if applicable.
(Note: Bookings will not be accepted from members who have outstanding debts to the Club).
- EFT bank transfer is made.
- Booking Officer confirms the booking by email and sends to Member – a booking and payment confirmation form
- Accommodation is booked and confirmed.

(b) Booking by email

- Member sends an email to the Booking Officer.
- Accommodation availability is checked and determined.
- Booking Officer advises Member of payment amount by return email, together with any other outstanding payments.
- Member to arrange payment by bank transfer as for phone bookings (see above).
- Booking Officer confirms the booking by email and sends to Member – a booking and payment confirmation form
- Accommodation is booked and confirmed.

It is not possible to make tentative bookings. Booking Officers may confirm bookings at any time prior to the first date required. Members must bring their booking and payment confirmations with them whenever staying in the Lodge.

A payment method other than using bank transfer should be discussed with the Booking Officer and will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Payment by bank transfer is strongly encouraged.

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2. Priority Order – Subject to the availability of space, booking for both Members and Guests will be confirmed according to the following priority order:

	Winter season accommodation	Earliest date on which booking request can be made
Against Member's entitlement	5, 6 or 7 Night Weeks only	1 January
As above	2 night (Friday and Saturday) weekend only	1 March
As above	Friday or Saturday night only	1 April
Not against Member's entitlement	5, 6 or 7 Night Weeks only	1 May
As above	2 night (Friday and Saturday) weekend only	From beginning of Winter season (June long weekend)
As above	All other bookings of at least 2 nights (but not including a Friday or Saturday night)	From beginning of Winter season (June long weekend) but no more than 14 days in advance
As above	Any single night	From beginning of Winter season (June long weekend) but no more than 7 days in advance

Summer season accommodation	Earliest date on which booking request can be made
5, 6 or 7 Night Weeks only	1 July
2 night (Friday and Saturday) weekend only	As above
Friday or Saturday night only	As above
All other bookings of at least 2 nights	As above
Any single night	As above

Within the priority order above, bookings will be made on a 'first in, first served' basis.

3. Rates - All rates are set by the Board prior to the beginning of each season.

All persons occupying a bed must pay the full rate.

Children under 18 years of age may use a divan in the same room as their host provided that all beds in that room are paid for and the total bed entitlement of the lodge is not exceeded. The accommodation rate is the same as for a bed.

Subject to their nomination in accordance with the booking rules, Associates are entitled to accommodation at the Members' rates.

4. Bookings Officer contact details

Winter bookings

Iris Bramley
5 Mt Colah Road
MOUNT COLAH N.S.W. 2079
Phone: 0402 202 563
Email: Srsc.winter@gmail.com
Booking hours: From Monday to Thursday strictly
between 8.00 pm and 9.00 pm

Summer bookings

Polly Adams
4 Beeby Place
AINSLIE ACT 2602
Phone: 02-6247 4643
Email: Srsc.summer@gmail.com
Bookings hours: At any reasonable time before 8.30 pm

Each Booking Officer will act as first reserve when the other is not available. In exceptional circumstances when neither Booking Officer is available for an extended period, the Chairman of the Board will act as second reserve.

Rooms frequently become available at weekends in winter when occupants vacate their rooms early. These rooms are available for re-letting at short notice. Members may find out whether any beds are available by contacting the Booking Officer by telephone on Thursday evening between 8.00 and 9.00pm, or by email on Friday or Saturday.