Agreement and Consent Form for Tree Riding Zone (TRZ) HAKUBA 47

This agreement and consent form is to ensure that the following conditions are adhered to when skiing in Hakuba 47 Tree Riding Zone. The ski resort does not guarantee the safety of its users in connection with this program. Though we want our guests to enjoy this terrain, please understand that it does come with increased risks of potentially serious injury including the possibility of an avalanche and snow burial.

1. Gates will be opened and closed by patrol depending on daily conditions.

Please do not enter the area when it is closed including after hours as this may endanger your safety as well as the safety of others who may already be on the course carrying out avalanche control or other course maintenance work. On some occasions the gates may be closed all day depending on the situation.

- 2. All of the Tree Riding areas are entirely natural and are therefore not maintained.
- 3. Compared to normal course skiing, in the event of a fall, the deep snow can make it difficult to get up, difficult to move, and sometimes even dangerous such as become buried and undetected, or even worse suffocate.
- 4. Tree Riding involves anticipated as well as unanticipated risks, such as; changes in snow quality and consistency, hidden tree stumps or branches, tree-wells, creeks, crevasse and hollows under the snow are all a part of skiing and riding in off-piste terrain.
- 5. At Hakuba 47, patrol crew sometimes artificially create avalanches and sometimes use explosives to prevent avalanches, but it is not possible to completely prevent them.
- 6. There is a possibility to crash into another skier, a tree or even a wild animal and potentially collisions with wild animals. When skiing and riding please ensure you can control your speed and be aware you may need to slow down or stop suddenly on the above occasions.
- 7. In the event that a rescue from ski patrol is required, it may be difficult to immediately ski to the location where the injured guest is waiting for assistance. It could also take patrol some time to respond, if access to the area by snowmobile is hazardous.
- 8. In the case that an aerial search and rescue is requested, it will be in the hands of the Hakuba 47 search and rescue team. You will be liable for all related search and rescue costs. All expenses for the search and rescue team will be charged to you as follows;

Patrol Staff (per person)	20,000 yen per hour
Snowmobile (per snowmobile)	5,000 yen for transfer and transport of patrol staff
Snow groomer (per groomer)	50,000 yen per hour for transfer and transport of patrol staff, equipment and meals
Miscellaneous	Standby duty personnel, meals, request for helicopter at self-expense

- 9. Those between the ages of 12 and 18 must have parental consent, be a minimum of 150cms tall and be with a parent or guardian at all times whilst in the Tree Riding Zone. Furthermore, their parent or guardian must accompany them to the safety briefing in order to provide the necessary consent.
- 10. We recommend that you ski with more than one person.
- 11. Hakuba 47 has no reciprocal relationship with tree run programs held at other ski resorts. Guests interested in skiing & riding in the TRZ area must attend the briefing, acknowledge and sign the form and purchase an armband to wear on their outer jacket.