

## Packing for bus ski trips

When packing for a ski trip by bus, please **never pack your ski clothes with your skis**. Keep them separate. That's because our skis will end up in a huge pile in one of the luggage compartments of the bus. Your skis might be buried under tons of others. We will NOT be unloading the skis at the hotel. Only at the ski areas. So, it's best to have your stuff separated into 3 or 4 separate little pieces of luggage:



1. **Skis and poles**. Preferably in a ski bag to protect them from other skis.
2. **Clothing, toiletries, pajamas, swim suit, and any other regular luggage in a separate bag for the hotel**. Much of this can stay in the hotel when we go skiing, except for the day when we check out of the hotel.
3. **Your ski boots, goggles, hat or helmet, in a separate small bag** to take with you onto the bus and preferably stash it under your seat. That way, you can start getting dressed for skiing and put on your boots in the bus when we get closer to the ski area. We will usually give everyone a 10 – 15 minute notice before we arrive at the ski area. Then, once we arrive at the ski area, you can just step out of the bus, pick up your skis, and you are ready to go.
4. **A small plastic bag with some street clothes** you can change into at the end of the ski day.

In the morning, it is recommended that everybody gets **dressed for skiing** in the hotel before boarding the bus. But in the afternoon, after skiing, your ski clothes might be a little damp, either from the melting snow, or maybe from your own sweat, so it would be nice to be able to change into something more comfortable for the ride back to the hotel.

You can change on the bus itself, especially if you arrive earlier than others. We'll be considerate and not look at you. Or, if you prefer, you can go to the day lodge and change there, perhaps in their locker room or in the restroom.