

# FIPS Ski Patroller Injury Form



FIPS is completing a study into injuries to ski patrollers. The study aims to identify the nature and extent of injuries to patrollers together with details of any short, long-term or permanent consequences. Some injuries to patrollers result from a specific incident while others result from repetitive activities. Unfortunately, there is virtually no documented information on patroller injuries or their impact.

The results of this ski patroller injury study should help identify the extent of the problem and could assist in the design of training programs and/or changes in the work place to avoid potential injury situations. The study may also assist with claims by patrollers by providing information on what has occurred in other areas. It is anticipated that there will be a Study Report at the FIPS Congress in Åre, Sweden in 2009. **Please complete the form and return it to Richard Boyer at richardboyer@bellsouth.net.**

This form can be distributed to any patroller who has been injured as part of their patrolling duties. Thank you in anticipation of your participation in this study.

Rik Head, FIPS VP Special Projects, September 2007

## Location

Country	State/Province	Resort Area	Specific Location
			If appropriate

## Patroller Identifier

Identifier	
<input type="text"/>	Form <input type="text"/> of <input type="text"/>
<small>Your name or pseudonym</small>	<small>For reporting multiple incidents</small>

Your privacy in completing this form will be protected

## Patroller Profile at the time of the Injury

Patroller Type	Experience	Age	Sex
Full/Part Time, Paid/ Volunteer	Type, Years		M/F

## The Incident Situation (if appropriate)

Date Time	Weather Conditions		
<small>dd mon yyyy hh:mm</small>	<small>visibility, precipitation, wind, temperature</small>		
Terrain		Snow Conditions	Slope Difficulty
			<small>Double black, Blue, Green, N/A</small>
Activity when injured			
<small>Eg skiing, XC skiing, snowboarding, treating patient, riding snowmobile, avalanche control, etc</small>			

## The Injury (if appropriate)

Nature of the Injuries
<small>Area of body, type of injury, etc</small>
Cause of Injury
<small>Fell, collision, etc</small>
Treatment – Initial
Treatment - Long Term
Any predisposing causes

Eg previous injury, unsafe location, etc

### The Injury Consequences

Duration out of action	Time off Work
hours, days, weeks, months, years	
<b>Resultant Problems – Short Term</b>	
<b>Resultant Problems – Longer Term</b>	
<b>Eventual Recovery</b>	

Fully recovered, chronic issues, permanent incapacity

### Repetitive Use or Extended Period Injuries

Repetitive Use/Extended Period

Eg pulling/lifting, arms/elbows from ski poles, back/knees from skiing, cold accumulation in extremities

### Workplace Accident Claims

Was a Claim Made	Cost to Patroller	Cost to Resort Area
What Insurance was in place	Any Legal Issues	

### Any Occupational Health and Safety Issues

Any Issues

If applicable, additional information can be attached to this form

I agree to allow the information I have provided to be used by FIPS in the compilation of statistics for the purpose of identifying the nature and extent of patroller injuries together with any resulting short and long term consequences.

**Signed**

**Date**

**Email**

**Contact Details**

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