

BRISTOL MOUNTAIN

SKILLS WORKSHOP TRAINING MANUAL

2020-21 WINTER SEASON

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Skills Workshop

On Snow sessions

December 12th and 13th, 2020

8:30am - 4pm

Special Note: If we are not open on the December 12th and 13th, we will move the seminar back one week.

After course completion, if you are applying for a position on the Bristol Mountain Snowsports School you will need to bring the following documents with you on December 13th, 2020:

If you have an unexpired U. S. Passport, this is the only identification you need to bring. If not, you must bring one document listed in paragraph A and one document listed in paragraph B:

Driver's license, school identification card, voter's registration card, or photo identification issued by either the federal, state, or local government. The document must have your name and address printed on it.

Social security card or birth certificate.

Note: All employees under the age 18 must also provide working papers

A change in schedule may occur due to weather. Check the Bristol Mountain Facebook Page for Updates.

Please come prepared! Bring your snowsports equipment and proper clothing for the weather.



November, 2020

Dear Instructor Candidates,

Contemporary skiers/riders are diverse in their desired outcomes. The direction that an experienced instructor would take with their students depends on each student's needs, wants, goals, abilities, equipment, terrain availability and length of lesson. Today's instructors must understand contemporary skiing movements, the skiing fundamentals/skills concept, biomechanics, the laws of physics, ski/board design, learning styles and teaching styles. Equipped with this knowledge and the ability to analyze movements, an instructor should be able to create a stepping stone lesson plan customized to each student. Although much of the knowledge can be gained from manuals and clinics, what it takes to make it all come together is experience. Experience is gained when we see the results of our work. Without experience the end results are an unknown.

Given the fact that a new instructor has no snowsports teaching experience, how do we prepare them to teach? The following outline has basic information and a linear progression or script to use as a starting reference point. As you gain experience from teaching and coaching feedback, you will start to move away from the linear progression and start to use an individualize stepping stone lesson plans. The more you teach the more you start to recognize, if I take this path this is what will happen.

The important thing to remember is, it takes time and commitment to become an experienced instructor. It is my hope that we can provide you with the knowledge and guidance needed to gain that experience.

Sincerely,

Steve Howie
Snowsports School Director

BECAUSE the CUSTOMER

Because the customer
has a *need*,
we have a job to do.

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Because the customer
has a choice,
we must be the *better choice*.

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Because the customer
has sensibilities,
we must be *considerate*.

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Because the customer
has an urgency,
we must be *quick*.

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Because the customer
is unique,
we must be *flexible*.

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Because the customer
has high expectations,
we must *excel*.

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Because the customer
has *influence*,
we have the hope of
more customers

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Because of the customer,
we exist!