



# Woods Valley Daily Conditions Report

Date / Time of report: Sunday, March 24, 2024 – REVISED 8:00am  
Current Temperature: 12 degrees  
Current Wind: Light and Variable  
Today’s Forecast: Sunshine, light winds, and temps climbing into the mid 30’s.  
Hours of Operation today: 10:00am to 5:00pm (this could be our final day of the season)

The snow event from Friday/Saturday totaled 9 inches of dense snow – and it has made all the difference. The week’s snow total stands at 16 inches and conditions today will be incredible. Grooming is complete and will be opening additional trails for the day. Please stay on the groomed surface. Expect sunshine, light winds and temps climbing into the mid 30’s. See the details below for info on grooming status by trail. Bare spots and thin areas exist. Exercise caution. Looking ahead to next week’s weather – this could very well be our final day of the season.

Trails Open	14 of 21 trails
Lifts Open	3 of 7
Base Depth	2 to 20 inches. Some bare spots and icy patches exist. Exercise caution.
New Snow	9 inches as of 2pm Saturday – plus 7 inches between Monday and Thursday this week.
Surface Condition	Machine Groomed / Packed Powder. Variable. Thin cover. Some trials have very narrow sections.
Surface Notes	Bare, Icy and wet patches exist. Observe and obey all markings and signs. Never interfere with snowmaking equipment.

Lift	Status	Hours of Operation
I – Big Chair – Double Chair	Open	10am to 5pm
II – Small Chair – Double Chair	Open	10am to 5pm
III – T-Bar – Surface Lift	Closed	Closed
IV – Learning Zone Carpet 1	Open	10am to 5pm
V – Learning Zone Carpet 2	Closed	Closed
VI – Learning Carousel	Closed	Closed
VII – Snow Tubing Carpet	Closed	Closed

**What’s Happening at Woods Valley.** We will have beautiful mid-winter packed-powder conditions for what may be our day of the season. The relentlessly warm weather this season took its toll on the snowpack, but with 16 inches of snow this week, and cold weather we have been able to put the slopes back in excellent shape. Stone’s Park has been dismantled for the season. **STAY ON THE GROOMED SURFACE.** Deer Glade has thin cover. Exercise caution and always ski with a friend when entering gladed areas. **Season Passes on sale now. Prices increase April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Live music Sunday with: PsychoMetrics – 3 to 6pm.** The lodge is always open to the public for food and beverage service, retail shop, ski lesson bookings, equipment rentals, and live music

Gift Cards are available to purchase, and our Retail Shop is well stocked. Check out our Hemlock Room menu.

ALWAYS Ski and ride in control and with caution. **Know the Code.** Stay up to date by visiting our website [www.woodsvalleyskiarea.com](http://www.woodsvalleyskiarea.com)

Difficulty	Trail Name	Projected Status	Snowmaking	Groomed	Night Trail?
Easiest	Easy Acres	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Learning Zone	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Broadway	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Fly Away	Open – thin cover	No	Yes – partial	No
Easiest	Round About	Open – thin cover	No	Yes	Yes
Easiest	Side Winder	Open - ungroomed	No	No	No
More Difficult	Copycat/Lower Park	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Bowl	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Upper Timmy’s	Open	No	Yes	Yes
More Difficult	Short Cut	Open	No	Yes	Yes
Most Difficult	Peppers Pride	Open	No	Yes – partial	Yes
Most Difficult	Sting	Closed	No	No	No
Most Difficult	Timmy’s Run	Open	No	Yes – partial	Yes
Most Difficult	Snow Park	Open	No	Yes – partial	Yes
Most Difficult	Deer Glade (all-natural skiing)	Open – Caution	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult	Freya’s Woods (all-natural skiing)	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult	Woody’s Way (all-natural skiing)	Closed	No	No	No
Most Difficult Use extra caution	Rabbit Hole (all-natural skiing)	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult Use extra caution	Valkyries (all-natural skiing)	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult Use extra caution	Valhalla (all-natural skiing)	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No
Most Difficult Use extra caution	Hemlocks (all-natural skiing)	Closed	No	No – Natural Terrain	No

Note: Indicates freestyle terrain.

Note about **All-Natural Skiing** areas (Gladed Trails): Please honor all ropes and signs. Use extra caution. Surface is not maintained. Many obstacles exist. Please ski with a friend.

NOTICE: The lift operating schedule, status of open/close trails, and snow conditions are subject to change throughout the day as a result of weather, skier/snowboarder traffic, and other influences beyond our control. Be aware of changing weather conditions. Natural and manmade obstacles exist. Snowmaking and Grooming activities are routinely in progress on trails designated as open. **SKI AND RIDE WITH CARE.** This report reflects the daily operational plan. Changes to this plan may occur from weather, snow conditions or other factors during the day or night.

**Snow Conditions Codes and Definitions:** The following surface condition codes and definitions explain the type of snow surface reported at Woods Valley. Woods Valley endeavors to inspect trails and report conditions consistent with terminology descriptive of surface condition(s) developed by the New York Ski Industry Association, Ski Areas of New York, Inc. These are approved by Article 18, the New York Safety In Skiing law.

- MG = MACHINE GROOMED.**
- BS = BARE SPOTS** - Areas of exposed underlying trail surface NOT covered with sufficient amounts of any form of snow, ice or other skiable material. No skier should attempt to ski over or through any Bare Spot or Spots.
- CO = CORN SNOW** - Large ice-like granules, which are loose during above-freezing temperatures and which freeze together during below-freezing temperatures. Corn snow is usually a product of the above/below freezing cycle of temperatures typical of spring days. Large ice-like granules which remain frozen together in extended cold periods, or chunks of ice created by incomplete grooming or icy surfaces are not characteristic of corn snow.
- FG = FROZEN GRANULAR** - Granular snow which was once wet and which has frozen together forming a rather solid or crusty-textured surface. It can return to loose granular after thawing or being worked by a grooming machine or from the effects of skier traffic breaking up the crust. Frozen granular snow will support a ski pole stuck into it. However, if the pole makes ice chips and the surface will not support the pole, the surface is ICY. **HP = HARD PACK** - Hard pack snow is a dense, compressed snow condition harder than packed powder and softer than ice.
- IP, IS = ICE PATCHES, ICY SURFACE** - Ice represents a hard, glazed surface usually created by freezing rain, or old surface snow melting and quickly refreezing again, or by ground water seeping up into the snow and freezing. Also may describe a very wet surface that has been skied into a smooth surface while above-freezing temperatures are existent and then rapidly dropping temperatures occur. When broken, ice breaks into chunks rather than granules. Patches describe localized occurrences of ice; surface describes a more prevailing icy condition on the slope.
- LG = LOOSE GRANULAR** - Loose granules similar to rock salt, usually formed after powder snow thaws, refreezes and crystallizes or an accumulation of sleet. Loose granular may also characterize surface conditions produced by machine conditioning of frozen granular or icy surfaces.
- P = POWDER** - New snow generally of dry and fluffy consistency. Will not make a snowball easily.
- PP = PACKED POWDER** - Loose powder snow compacted by rollers, drags or other mechanical apparatus or by skier traffic to a state which leaves little air space between particles. It is no longer fluffy, but it is not so extremely compacted that it is hard and icy.
- SC = SPRING CONDITIONS** - This term is used to characterize the wide variety of surface conditions which results from the alternate freezing and thawing of snow cover in spring weather. This term is used in place of other terms when the usual surface descriptions cannot accurately or completely describe the situation, that is, when no single surface type covers at least 50% of the skiable surface of a trail.
- TC = THIN COVER** - Indicates that the cover that currently exists will decline in quality due to skier traffic and may break through to the underlying trail surface. Thin Cover indicates that Bare Spots are anticipated to develop in the area during the day.
- V = VARIABLE** - A wide variety of conditions which cannot accurately or completely be described using usual terminology, such as when no single surface type predominates.
- WG = WET GRANULAR** - loose or frozen granular snow which has become wet and soft after a thaw or from a rainfall.
- WP = WET POWDER** - Powder snow that is wet when it falls (you can easily make a snowball) or dry powder that becomes wet as the temperature rises above freezing or is dampened by rain.

