

Sawtooth Mountain Guides
Williams Peak Hut Use Guidelines and Reservation Policy

The minimum hut rental fee is \$280.00 per night. This hut rental fee is based on a minimum reservation of eight people at \$35.00 per person per night. If your group number exceeds eight people, each additional person pays \$35.00 per night. A 6% Idaho Sales Tax is charged based on all fees collected and is included in the final balance.

A 50% nonrefundable deposit is required to reserve the hut. This deposit is based on the minimum hut rental fee of \$280.00 per night. Your reservation with our office is an agreement we give to your party for exclusive use of the hut for those dates. Once we have received your deposit it is your responsibility to fulfill the use and payment of your hut reservation.

Reservation dates may not be transferred to other dates without loss of deposit and responsibility of full payment unless we are able to rebook the date of the confirmed reservation.

Your party is accountable for full payment of the minimum hut rental fee for the dates you have reserved. Payment of final balance is due on the first day of the reservation. Parties of fewer than eight are responsible for full payment of the minimum hut rental fee. Parties that cancel are responsible for full payment of the minimum hut rental fee. unless we are able to rebook the date of the confirmed reservation.

Deposits are not transferable from ski season to ski season. Hut reservations are an obligation for that season only.

For unguided parties, your group must elect a “Designated Tour Leader” as named on the Hut Rental Agreement. This person is recognized as the responsible party should you have any mishaps during the tour. If the person booking the hut is not the designated tour leader it is the responsibility of the person making the reservation to jointly review the Hut Use Guidelines and Reservation Policy as here presented.

Your designated tour leader must have been to the hut location prior to the trip and be familiar with Williams Peak Hut operations. Unguided parties without prior experience at this hut location are required to hire a guide for the first phase of the trip.

The designated tour leader must have successfully attended a field-based avalanche course recognized by our office (Level I, minimum 24 hours training/3 day course). Your group will need to contact our office for approval of this requirement. Examples of satisfactory training include Level I field courses conducted by Sawtooth Mountain Guides, American Avalanche Institute, Canadian Avalanche Association or similar multi-day programs. A schedule of avalanche programs offered by our guide service for the 2008 season is included in the enclosed information.

A copy of the Hut Use Information is included for preview by the booking individual and designated tour leader. Please familiarize yourselves with this information. There is a copy of the Hut Use Information sheet at the hut for all party members to review upon arrival.

All party members must review and sign all releases prior to hut use. Payments are to be received in full prior to hut use. A Sawtooth Mountain Guides staff person will meet your party at the trailhead to settle payments and paperwork. Contact the SMG office (208.774.3324) to arrange a meeting time for the day of your arrival.

Dogs are not allowed at the hut. We have a general policy of not allowing dogs at the hut because we rely on snowmelt for drinking water and are at risk of sanitation problems when dogs disturb the snowmelt area. If there is evidence that your dog has special avalanche training we may consider that a single dog be allowed on the trip. In this case the owner of the dog pays a fee and dog deposit and cleans up after the dog.