

The difference between off-limits areas and uncontrolled areas (backcountry)

Do you know the difference?

The off-limits area (red area):

Off-limit areas are zones inside the resort where entry is prohibited because of potential dangers.

These include-

1. under lifts-lines, gondolas, etc.
2. dangerous areas near rivers, cliffs and other obstacles
3. places where it is possible to trigger avalanches that may impact skiers below your position.

Please follow all directions and signs. If you do not follow the rules, your lift ticket may be confiscated, you may be removed from the resort, or you may be denied entry.

Backcountry (blue area):

Backcountry refers to the zones near the resort but outside of the ski resort management area. These areas are treated as entirely separate to the ski resort. If you enter these areas, you will be considered to be undertaking independent mountaineering and should prepare as such.

In order to go outside the controlled area, you can only use the two access points located at the top of Mt. Kenashi.

1. There is no safety control or regulation outside the ski resort management area.

In the event of an avalanche or other accident, our ski patrol will not be able to rescue you.

2. Our ski resort will not be held responsible for any accidents or mishaps that occur.

For the safety management of the ski resort, it is prohibited to return to the controlled area after business hours.

Rescue requests will be handled by the Nozawa Onsen Village Disaster Prevention Council through the police, and rescue costs will be incurred.