

Yushan National Park Snow Season Park Entry Application Guidelines

Amended on 2019.9.25

1. Snow Season Period: Approximately mid-December to March of the following year (please refer to our website for exact dates).
2. Trails:
 - (1) Standard Snow Season Application: all trails within Yushan National Park Ecological Protected Area
 - (2) Application for Snow Training Program: Yushan Trails
3. Application Window: From 2 months to 5 days before the intended entry date.
4. Application Requirements: The group leader must have undergone training for snow hiking and possess the necessary equipment. All members must have experience and gear suitable for snow hiking.
5. Online Application: <https://hike.taiwan.gov.tw/en/>
 - (1) Standard Snow Season Application:
 - a. The applicant/group leader must evaluate their own qualifications and the members' snow hiking experience.
 - b. Complete and upload the "Snow Season Application Checklist & Declaration."
 - (2) Application for Snow Training Program:
 - a. The applicant/group leader must evaluate their own qualifications and the members' snow hiking experience.
 - b. Complete and upload a snow training plan.
 - c. Complete and upload the "Snow Season Application Checklist & Declaration."
6. Approved groups must follow the following regulations:
 - (1) Groups must consist of 1-6 people; substitutions of group members are not allowed.
 - (2) All members must carry their passports for inspection.
 - (3) Upon entering the park, members must prioritize personal safety and ecological preservation. Hiking insurance is strongly recommended.
 - (4) All members must comply with park regulations. Any violations or false declarations are punishable by law.
 - (5) Only snow training certificates issued by authorized agencies will be accepted. Individuals with experience on world-famous snow hiking routes are considered to possess sufficient competence for snow hiking.
7. Once the Snow Season is declared, all approved applications will revert to their previous stages. Groups wishing to proceed must resubmit required snow season application documents. Entry is permitted only after re-approval.
8. Day hikes to Mt. Jade's Main or West Peak are prohibited during the Snow Season. All permits will be invalidated once the Snow Season begins.

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Equipment, Fitness, and Skills Self-Evaluation Checklist for Snow Season Hiking/Training

	Name (Fill in your name)	Equipment (All members must be proficient in using the equipment)	Fitness and Hiking Experience Evaluation (Answer all questions)	Conclusion (Evaluate by yourselves)
Member 1 (Leader)		Essential Items: Helmet, crampons, and ice ax Other Snow Hiking Gear: Headlamp, beanie, snow goggles, warm and waterproof clothing, hiking boots, warm socks, gaiters, waterproof gloves, thermos, etc. Climbing Gear: <input type="checkbox"/> Safety harness <input type="checkbox"/> Belay device <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing rope <input type="checkbox"/> Accessory cord <input type="checkbox"/> Locking carabiner <input type="checkbox"/> Ascender/descender Others: _____	Physical fitness: <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Snow hiking experience above 3000m: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Snow hiking competence: <input type="checkbox"/> Experience in high altitude snow climbing <input type="checkbox"/> Snow training certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Certified snow hiking guide	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualified <input type="checkbox"/> Unqualified
Member 2			Physical fitness: <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Snow hiking experience above 3000m: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Practiced snow hiking skills: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualified <input type="checkbox"/> Unqualified
Member 3		Essential items: helmet, crampons, and ice ax Other snow hiking gear: headlamp, beanie, snow goggles, warm & waterproof clothing, hiking boots, warm socks, gaiters, waterproof gloves, thermos, etc.	Physical fitness: <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Snow hiking experience above 3000m: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Practice snow hiking skills: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualified <input type="checkbox"/> Unqualified
Member 4		Climbing gear: <input type="checkbox"/> Safety harness <input type="checkbox"/> Belay device <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing rope <input type="checkbox"/> Accessory cord <input type="checkbox"/> Locking carabiner <input type="checkbox"/> Ascender/descender	Physical fitness: <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Snow hiking experience above 3000m: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Practice snow hiking skills: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualified <input type="checkbox"/> Unqualified
Member 5		Others: _____	Physical fitness: <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Snow hiking experience above 3000m: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Practice snow hiking skills: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualified <input type="checkbox"/> Unqualified
Member 6			Physical fitness: <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Snow hiking experience above 3000m: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Practice snow hiking skills: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualified <input type="checkbox"/> Unqualified

Notes:

- The group leader must list the names of all members, verify their essential equipment and experience prior to departure, and **assume full responsibility for their safety throughout the hike.**
- On-site staff will inspect the required equipment before granting entry.

Declaration

The group _____ (group name), comprising _____ people, entering on _____/_____/_____ and departing on _____/_____/_____ to hike _____ (route), hereby declare that we fully understand the difficulties of hiking the route in Yushan National Park during snow season, including risks of slipping or falling on snow, high altitude illness, hypothermia, and getting lost.

We concur with Yushan National Park's efforts to protect the park's ecology and ensure the safety of hikers. We affirm that we are physically fit, properly equipped with the required snow hiking gear, and possess sufficient snow hiking skills to complete the hike. We have secured travel and hiking insurance, will exercise utmost caution regarding personal safety and ecological preservation, and acknowledge that **the group leader will bear full responsibility for the safety of the group.**

We pledge to comply with all National Park rules and regulations and cooperate with any inspections conducted by Yushan National Park staff and Yushan Police Branch, Sixth Division, Seventh Special Police Corps of National Police Agency. For our safety, we agree to voluntarily cancel the hike and depart immediately if any of the above protocols are violated. We also commit to following any departure instructions issued by authorities and accept the legal consequences as prescribed by relevant laws and regulations.

※ In case of cancellation, we will notify Yushan National Park.

This declaration and its contents have been fully communicated to, understood, and agreed upon by all members of the group, each of whom has personally signed below. We declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

To Yushan National Park Headquarters

Signatures of all members:

Date: