

## VSC ABSENCE AND LATE POLICY



### Background

Vernon Ski Club is a competitive alpine ski racing organization. As such, VSC is committed to providing value in all activities, for all athletes. When an athlete is unexpectedly absent or late to training or events, it negatively impacts the entire team.

As stated in the VSC Athlete Agreement: *I will be on time for training and race events and inform my coach in advance of any absence. If I am late it will be my responsibility to catch up with my team.*

### Policy

1. Teams are not required to wait for late athletes.
2. Coaches will communicate a start time and meeting place for training and other activities.
3. It is the athletes' responsibility to be on time to the meeting place and to be prepared with all required gear.
4. If an athlete is going to be absent, they are to inform the coach using the "availability" function in TeamSnap to advise of their absence.
5. If an athlete is going to be late, they should message the coach. If an athlete is late and wishes to connect with the team, it is the athlete's guardian's responsibility to find the team (message the coach on TeamSnap, ask another coach to radio their coach, or wait at the VSC Cabin for the team to come in for break). Coaches will not always respond on their phone during training or other activities.