



Fall 2011

Dear Parents and Athletes,

Welcome to the 2011-2012 Season!

We are looking forward to the start of the 2011-2012 competition season and building upon the personal bests and tremendous results from last season.

The KSC/KMS Competition Programs offer a variety of seasonal ski and snowboard programs for athletes over a broad range of ages, abilities and snowsports disciplines.

The KSC/KMS coaching staff supports and sustains each athlete with instruction, information and encouragement while teaching athletes how to safely enjoy on-mountain snow sports. They accomplish this in an atmosphere of fun, safety, self-reliance and good sportsmanship. These programs develop competitive athletes who are shaped by the ideals of athleticism and who are inspired by a lifelong love of their sports.

These programs are the primary development pipelines for the Killington Mountain School. The KMS alpine, freestyle and snowboard program directors offer guidance and provide on-snow curricula to assist the KSC/KMS competition programs. The Killington Ski Club provides a home on the mountain for families, athletes and program staff, as well as support for the programs, adult ski programs and social activities.

For 2011-2012, we have revamped our offerings for athletes 6-10 years of age.

The FutureStars program for athletes 6-9 years of age, formerly known as the Hopefuls program, will focus on developing fundamental skills in a safe, fun and challenging environment on Killington Mountain. FutureStars introduces each athlete to a range of snowsports disciplines offered by KSC/KMS Competitions Programs while building strong fundamental skills. Acquiring a strong fundamental skill base in this program will allow your child to develop skills for reaching his or her personal potential and achieve athletic excellence in his or her sport of choice. In the process, your child will learn about his or her potential, limits, friendships and sportsmanship while developing a love for a lifelong sport. The program is based around on-snow technical training and participation in Killington Cup events throughout the course of the season.

The Alpine Stars, Freestyle Stars and Snowboard Stars programs for athletes 7-10 years of age, formerly known as Devos, is the next step in your child's development. These programs will focus on discipline-specific training and an introduction to competition. Like FutureStars, the programs' focus will remain on training fundamental skills on the diverse terrain at Killington. The Stars will compete in the Killington Cup events as well as two additional competitions—one home and one away. The away competitions will require additional memberships in the organizations listed on the program pages. For those athletes who wish to pursue more competition in VARA events, Eastern Freestyle events, or USASA events, please choose the discipline-specific competitive program (J5 Team, Freestyle B Team, or VT Team).

We are excited to welcome back many of our top-notch coaches to the program this season. This includes:

Chris Clarke, Head Coach—J5 Team	Will Courtney, Head Coach—J3 Team
KC Gandee, Snowboard Program Director	Greg Hadley, Head Coach—J4 Team
Kevin Merchant—Freeskiing A Team	Steve Palmer, Head Coach—Freestyle B Team
Sam Tarrant—Freestyle A Team	Doug Tucker, Head Coach—J1/J2 Team

Please take some time to review the updated [KSC/KMS website](#) for detailed information about each program and team for this season. You will find a great checklist on the [registration page](#) to guide you through the signup process.

**Program prices increase on November 1 and again on November 22, so register today!**

Remember that all programs must be paid in full by the first day of the program; there will be no exceptions. KSC/KMS Competition Programs have a no-refund policy. The Program Insurance Plan (PIP) can be

purchased at \$110 per athlete. If you purchase the PIP you will be considered for partial refunds if the program cannot be completed. For more information, please read the [terms and conditions of the PIP](#) on the KSC/KMS website.

We will run our Work Obligation Program again this season. It was a huge success last year and enabled us to manage the events within our community. The program is mandatory for all families who have athletes participating in the KSC/KMS Competition Programs. Please find more information on the programs' [web site](#). A Worker Program Guide with detailed job descriptions will be published soon. Thank you for continuing to support our events!

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Think Snow,

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## **Program Details:**

### *FutureStars Program (formerly Hopefuls):*

- Ages 6-9 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- FutureStars introduces each athlete to a range of snowsports disciplines offered by KSC/KMS Competitions Programs while building strong fundamental skills. Provides introductory competition experience at home in the Killington Cup Series.

### *Stars Program (formerly Devo's):*

- Alpine Stars: Ages 7-10 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Freestyle Stars: Ages 7-10 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Snowboard Stars: Ages 7-10 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Introduces your child to training and competition in a discipline-specific program
- Provides introductory competition experience at home in the Killington Cup Series
- Provides coaching at two events—one home, one away in organized USSA and USASA competitions

### *Alpine Skiing Program:*

- J1/2 Team: Ages 15 and older (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- J3 Team: Ages 13-14 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- J4 Team: Ages 11-12 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- J5 Team: Ages 9-10 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Provides training and coaching for competitive alpine racing

### *Freestyle Program:*

- Freestyle B Team: Ages 8 and older (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Freestyle A Team: Ages 13 and older (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Provides training and coaching for competitive freestyle skiing—moguls and dual moguls

### *Freeskiing Program:*

- Freeskiing B Team: Ages 8 and older (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Freeskiing A Team: Ages 13 and older (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Provides training and coaching for competitive freeskiing—big air, slopestyle (park), halfpipe

### *Snowboard Program:*

- VT Snowboard Team (Sat and Sun): Ages 10 and older
- Elite Snowboard Team (Fri, Sat and Sun): Ages 10 and older
- Provides training and coaching for competitive snowboarding—freestyle (park and pipe), alpine, boardercross

### *Mountain Division Program:*

- Ages 8-13 (as of Dec. 31, 2011)
- Provides coaching in an all-mountain skiing program where athletes develop their skiing ability throughout the diverse terrain at Killington.

## **Registration Process Check List:**

1. Go to the [online registration link](#) for the programs and follow instructions.
2. Fill out and return the required program forms from the **KSC/KMS Registration packet** and your check for the Work Obligation Program prior to the start of the program either directly to the program office at the Killington Ski Club or via the mail to KSC/KMS Competition Programs, 2708 Killington Rd., Killington, VT 05751. These forms include:
  - The Killington Release
  - The KSC/KMS Athlete Medical Release (one for each athlete)
  - The KSC/KMS Work Obligation Program (check must be included)
3. Receive a confirmation email once your registration process is complete from the KSC/KMS Program Coordinator.
4. Review the Program Requirements, Program Information and Registration Information below.
5. Register for membership in the relevant competition organization for your child's program. (See Program Requirements specific to your child's program on the website to determine which organizations to join. Early registration is recommended to avoid late fees.)

This is a good guide to start from:

1. **USSA** (All competing alpine, freestyle, and freeskiing athletes): The United States Ski and Snowboard Association is the national governing body for alpine, freestyle and snowboarding in the United States. Application can be found online at [www.ussa.org](http://www.ussa.org).
2. **USASA** (All competing snowboard and freeskiing athletes): USASA is the national governing body for snowboarding and grassroots freeskiing in the United States. All athletes competing

in snowboarding and freeskiing must be members of USASA. Applications can be found online at [www.usasa.org](http://www.usasa.org).

3. **VARA** (all competing alpine athletes) Vermont Alpine Racing Association is the governing body for alpine ski racing in Vermont. All alpine athletes (Stars and up) who plan to race must join. Applications for competitor memberships can be found online at [www.vara.org](http://www.vara.org).

### **Registration Information:**

1. All registrations must be processed online.
2. Program prices will increase \$100 on Monday, October 31 and will increase another \$100 on Monday, November 21—register today for the best value!
3. KSC/KMS Competition Programs does not offer refunds. Please purchase the program insurance (PIP) to protect yourself in the event your child cannot complete the program.
4. Please be sure to provide all of the information requested during the registration process. When asked for a phone number, please provide the best number to reach a parent at during training and competition on weekends. Being able to look up all of the parents' correct cell phone numbers at a moment's notice during the program is critical.
5. The KSC/KMS Competition Programs can offer financial assistance to a limited number of athletes. Applications are processed on October 15 and November 1 in order for recipients to register prior to the program price increases. Recipients must sign up by the relevant deadline to receive the early-payment discount; aid will not be adjusted if recipients fail to register by the deadline. To apply, fill out the [application](#) and mail to: KSC/KMS Competition Programs, 2708 Killington Road, Killington, VT 05751.

### **Program Requirements:**

1. All programs must be paid in full by the first day of the program. No exceptions will be made without prior arrangements. Please contact the Program Coordinator with questions.
2. A helmet is mandatory.
3. Membership in the Killington Ski Club is required, sign up at [www.killingtonwintersportsclub.org](http://www.killingtonwintersportsclub.org). This membership entitles you to full use of the club building, including tuning facilities, as well as participation in KSC-sponsored social activities and other offerings.
4. Participation in the KSC/KMS Work Obligation Program
5. Killington Unlimited Season Pass, [Killington Resort website](#)

### **Program Information:**

1. Read your child's specific program/team page on the [program website](#) for important information. This information includes:
  - a. Program Details.
  - b. Program/Team Requirements
  - c. Program/Team Communication and Calendar
  - d. Program Fees and options for two- and three-day options
  - e. Program Dates/Meeting Times/Holiday Period Training/Lunch Times
  - f. Community Event Information
2. Read the following information to learn about our program:
  - a. [Program Philosophy](#)
  - b. [Rules and Policies](#)
  - c. [Parent Information](#)

2011-12 Killington Mountain School Competitions Program at KILLINGTON / PICO SKI RESORT PARTNERS, LLC  
**EXPRESS ACCEPTANCE OF RISKS AND FORUM SELECTION AGREEMENT**

*(Please read carefully!)*

**WARNING: Competitive skiing, snowboarding and other forms of winter mountain sports activities are hazardous with many inherent risks. These activities require the deliberate control and good judgment of the participant. Falls are a common occurrence of all alpine sports activities and can result in injuries and death.**

**I acknowledge that my child's enrollment in Killington Mountain School's Ski & Snowboard Competitions Program (hereinafter "KMS Ski & Snowboard Competitions Program") affords me and my child significant discounted access to winter skiing and snowboarding on the premises of Killington/Pico Ski Resort Partners, LLC (hereinafter "Killington Resort & Pico Mountain"). Further, I and my child acknowledge that the KMS Ski & Snowboard Competitions Program is being organized, run, chaperoned, taught and monitored by Killington Mountain School and not personnel of Killington Resort & Pico Mountain.**

Therefore, in consideration of the **WARNING** information above, my knowledge and understanding of these winter sports activities, that the KMS Ski & Snowboard Competitions Program is run by Killington Mountain School and not Killington Resort & Pico Mountain, and by allowing me and my child to use the premises of Killington Resort & Pico Mountain and participate in this winter sports program, I freely and willingly accept and voluntarily assume all risk of property damage, personal injury, or death to me and my child which occurs at Killington Resort & Pico Mountain and which results from my child's participation in this program and the inherent risks of such activities as they are defined herein, except damages, injury, or death which may occur while being transported on a ski lift at a time when my child is in full compliance with all rules and regulations regarding such transportation.

I further agree that the phrase "inherent risks" means those risks that are listed in this agreement, or those that can reasonably be inferred therefrom. I also agree that these risks are both obvious and necessary to this program. I agree that these inherent risks include, but are not limited to: changing weather, visibility, surface and sub-surface conditions, such as ice, bare spots, and trees; manmade objects such as lift towers, fences, signs, posts, lift mazes, hydrants and pipes, snow grooming equipment and snowmobiles, race course gates, and start and finish line equipment; variations in terrain and slope design; and collisions with or falls resulting from such manmade objects or natural terrain modifications and features, members of the skiing and riding public and other competitors. I understand that my child will be continually challenged in this program, performing difficult maneuvers on formidable terrain.

Therefore, in consideration of all of the above, I agree that I will not make any claim nor bring any suit for any damages, injury or death to me or my child which results from any such inherent risks, as I have agreed they are defined herein. I also agree, that in the event that anyone makes any claim against Killington/Pico Ski Resort Partners, LLC, Powdr Corp., or any of its officers, directors, shareholders, agents, volunteers or employees as a result of any of my activities or my child's activities on their premises or the use of their facilities, and that I will defend, indemnify and hold harmless Killington Resort & Pico Mountain from such claims.

**I further agree that any dispute arising under this contract and/or from any use by me and my child of any of the premises or facilities at Killington Resort & Pico Mountain shall be litigated exclusively in the Superior Court of Rutland County, Vermont, or the U.S. District Court for the District of Vermont.**

This contract may also be plead as an affirmative defense to any claim that I might make as a result of any damage, injury, and/or death which my child or I may sustain as a result of my child's participation in this program and caused by the inherent risks of winter sports. I further agree that this contract is binding upon me, my heirs and assigns.

To the extent that I am signing this document on behalf of any minor, I represent and guarantee that I have full authority to do so, realizing the full binding effect of this contract on them as well as on myself, and I further agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Killington Resort & Pico Mountain for any claims brought on behalf of the minor relating to any damages allegedly sustained by the minor while he/she was participating in this program. I acknowledge that I have read, agree with, and understand the terms of this Express Assumption of Risks and Forum Selection Agreement, that I am signing it freely, and that the terms of this contract state that I expressly assume for my child all risk of damages, injury and/or death resulting in any way from any inherent risks of the program in which my child participates at Killington Resort & Pico Mountain. I also agree that my child will abide by the terms of any rules of conduct of this program and Killington Resort & Pico Mountain.

If any portion of this agreement is deemed unenforceable, the remainder shall be given full force and effect.

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Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature L.S. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please print participant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

**KSC/KMS Athlete Medical Release**

Athlete Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Athlete Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_

*In case of an emergency while programs are in session, please \* the best possible phone number.*

Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E Mail \_\_\_\_\_ E Mail \_\_\_\_\_

If persons named above are not available during the event of an emergency, notify:

Name/Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Insurance Coverage**

Name of insured parent \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance company name \_\_\_\_\_

Group or policy number \_\_\_\_\_

Identification number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical History**

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Medication \_\_\_\_\_

Other Medical Information \_\_\_\_\_

**Athlete Medical Release**

Parent hereby authorizes Killington Ski Club/Killington Mountain School and/or its named coaches, to secure any hospital, medical, dental or surgical care, treatment and/or procedures for the above named athlete. Parent also consents that in the event of injury to the athlete, coaches can sign for competitor to receive care, treatment and/or procedures, under the instructions and directions of the licensed physicians on call at the emergency room of the nearest hospital or emergency facility. The coaches shall notify Parent at the earliest possible time during or after such care, treatment and/or procedures. Parent knowingly and voluntarily consents in advance to such care, treatment and or procedures to encourage the physicians and coaches to exercise their best judgment as to the requirements of such care, treatment and/or procedures. Parent specifically indemnifies and holds harmless Killington Mountain School and its coaches from any and all liability or costs arising out of such care, treatment and/or procedure.

Athlete's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

