LEAVE NO TRACE ETHICS – BACKCOUNTRY SNOWSPORTS

1. **Plan Ahead and Prepare**
   - Practice Safety First.
   - Know where you are going.
   - Know your own and your group’s limits, and minimize risks.

2. **Travel on Durable Surfaces**
   - Stay on deep snow cover whenever possible.

3. **Dispose of Waste Properly**
   - Pack It In, Pack It Out.

4. **Leave What You Find**
   - Leave only tracks.

5. **Minimize Campfire and Hut Impacts**
   - Use a lightweight stove for cooking and enjoy a lantern or headlamp for light.
   - Leave huts and cabins in better shape than how you found them.

6. **Respect Wildlife**
   - Observe wildlife from a distance.
   - Never feed wildlife or leave food behind to be eaten.
   - If you choose to bring your dog keep it under control and do not let it harass wildlife.

7. **Be Considerate of Others**
   - Respect landowners, both public and private.
   - Respect other skiers/riders and all other users.
   - When ascending trails, keep clear and yield to downhill traffic. When descending always stay in control, go one at a time, and slow down near others.
   - Respect designated areas, signs, and wildlife.

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