

## **Airport Security:** **Get Familiar With 3-1-1**

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Amid all the excitement and anticipation of going on that great ski trip this season, one thing you have to gear up for is the airport security line. This year, we have a new wrinkle - carry-on liquids. Because of a foiled terrorist plot involving liquid explosives on commercial airliners, we have to limit the quantity of liquids, gels and aerosols in our carry-on luggage and display them properly for the Transportation Safety Administration (TSA) inspectors.

**Think 3-1-1: 3 ounces, 1 quart bag, 1 bag per passenger**



What constitutes a liquid or gel can be a bit confusing. It's not just your bottled water and your shampoo. Toothpaste, face cream, hand lotion, spray deodorant and a host of other things that may not technically "pour" fall under the TSA definition. You're limited to three ounces of any given liquid/gel, and that means three-ounce containers. If you have a 10-ounce container with only one ounce left in it, kiss it good-bye. It goes in the TSA goodie box.

On top of the limit in container size, you can only bring a certain quantity of containers with you in your carry-on bag. They all have to fit inside a quart-sized zip-top plastic bag. (Yes, it has to be a zip-top bag.) Place your plastic bag of liquids and gels in the tray on the security conveyor belt - separately from the carry-on bag. If you don't have a plastic bag, no one at the airport is obligated to provide you with one, which means all of your liquids could go into the TSA goodie box.

## **Glenwood Springs, Colorado** **NSCF Moves Forward for Organized Skiing**

Sunlight Mountain and several of its Glenwood Springs, Colorado lodging and dining partners hosted the National Ski Council Federation's annual three day business meeting and industry breakout sessions this past August 2007. Eighty delegates, board & committee members and guests were in attendance; 23 of the Federation's member councils were represented out of a membership of 24. Three additional council's petitions for membership were approved boosting the total membership in the Federation to 27.

Tony Hawks, Editor, NSAA (National Ski Areas Association) Journal was the guest speaker on Friday giving those assembled a brief look at the role NSAA plays in keeping the industry and skiers apprised of what is happening on the slopes and in Washington. Associate memberships in NSAA are available to all councils and ski clubs across the country. Visit their web site for the latest news and membership information: [www.nsaa.org](http://www.nsaa.org).

Colorado's second Congressional District Congressman, Mark Udall was the

Keynote Speaker for the group on Saturday. Congressman Udall, a member of the ski & snowboard caucus in Washington spoke on environmental issues facing all of us, on and off the slopes

As the Federation comes of age its intent to be an educational vehicle in which the councils can share information for the betterment of their member clubs, form an on going working relationship with the ski industry to the benefit of all skiers, and be a voice for the U.S skier is moving forward to accomplish these goals. The breakout sessions started three years ago have proven to be very successful in pinpointing 'hot topics' that are of concern to both the councils and the industry: A standardized bid form for trips and FAM (familiarization trips) guide lines should be finalized this year. Declining club membership and ways to get your club's name in the public view are a few of the other areas of focus by breakout teams. As the various teams finish up their reports off line, they will be forwarded to the membership.

### **Exceptions**

Prescription and over-the-counter medications and other essential items are allowed in greater quantities and do not have to be in a plastic zip-top bag; however, you must declare these items for inspection when you go through security. They should not be in the plastic bag, and it's entirely likely that they will undergo secondary inspection.

Bear in mind that you can still pack all of your usual liquids, gels and aerosols in your checked baggage. These rules only apply to carry-on bags. This new policy is one more thing that can and does slow up the security lines, making it one more reason to get to the airport early.

Details about the 3-1-1 policies are available at the TSA Web site: <http://www.tsa.gov/311/index.shtm>

Membership benefits had a few new additions so be sure to check the Federation web site for an updated listing. **Make sure your club membership card has the EPSC/NSCF sticker on the back.** Contact your club rep if yours is missing.

This was an election year for Federation officers, the new officers for the next two years are: Mike Sanford, President (San Diego SC) ; Keith Fanta, Vice President (Chicago Metro SC); Dawn Peterman, Treasurer (Milwaukee SC); Lisa Beregi, Secretary (Crescent SC). Winter Park, CO was selected as the site for next years Federation annual meeting from a slate of 3 bidders. The meeting concluded on a positive note for organized skiing.

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