

Parents and Scouts participating in T2 ski/snowboard trip,

**SKI/SNOWBOARD EQUIPMENT:**

I know of three “local” shops that rent equipment (check out their websites):

...Summit Ski and Cycle in Westchester

...Val Surf in Valley Village (plus other more distant locations)

...Sports LTD in Woodland Hills

Each of these shops expect to be “sold out” before the weekend. They all give a “travel day” at each end of the rental--the day you pick up and the day you return are not charged.

**Summit Ski and Cycle** does not accept reservations. For example, if you go on Tuesday before the weekend to rent, you will have to pay beginning the next day, Wednesday.

**Val Surf** *does* accept reservations. You could go in tomorrow and reserve for Presidents’ Weekend. You will pay only for days of use. However, they are not a huge shop.

**Sports LTD** says they have a large selection of new equipment this year. They don’t make reservations, but I was told you could come in Wednesday, get sized up and pay, then pick up the equipment Friday (Saturday would be the first day you pay for).

*These shops will probably rent all of their equipment in advance of the weekend.* It’s impossible, of course, to know when this will happen. For example, if you wait until Thursday (or perhaps Wednesday) to rent from Summit, they may be “sold out”.

The other option is to rent equipment at the **Main Lodge** at Mammoth Mountain. You can make a reservation online and pick up equipment when we arrive Saturday morning. The issues here:

1. There may be a long wait to get outfitted, especially if many of us choose this option.
2. Even with a reservation, there may be issues of sizing (e.g., run out of your boot size).

3. It may cost more to rent for 3 days at Mammoth than an entire week at one of the “local” outfitters.

In the past, we have asked everybody to have their equipment before arriving at Mammoth, but if your only option is renting equipment there, that will be OK. However, you must reserve your equipment in advance in case they become “sold out” also. Here’s the website:

[http://www.mammothmountain.com/winter/ski-ride/ski-ride/ski-snowboard-rentals?opti\\_ca=120791222&opti\\_ag=5409646862&opti\\_ad=157796253300&opti\\_key=kwd-22705374902&gclid=Cj0KEQjAtqHEBRCNrC6rYq9\\_oYBEiQAejvRl3Nlt3rtxsIGK6i7TMOhZbmagNTElcb1Ex0BL65nlTwaAuO38P8HAQ&gclsrc=aw.ds](http://www.mammothmountain.com/winter/ski-ride/ski-ride/ski-snowboard-rentals?opti_ca=120791222&opti_ag=5409646862&opti_ad=157796253300&opti_key=kwd-22705374902&gclid=Cj0KEQjAtqHEBRCNrC6rYq9_oYBEiQAejvRl3Nlt3rtxsIGK6i7TMOhZbmagNTElcb1Ex0BL65nlTwaAuO38P8HAQ&gclsrc=aw.ds)

If anybody has another source or ideas, please let me know. Good luck!

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