



MEDIA ADVISORY

Friday, February 28, 2014

WinSport's ski and snowboard hill closure extended through weekend

Calgary, Alta. – WinSport announced today that due to the continued cold temperatures and high wind chills, the ski and snowboard hill at Canada Olympic Park will remain closed to the public through Sunday.

Environment Canada is forecasting a high of -26C on Saturday, but with wind chills near -44. Sunday's forecast is calling for a high of -22C, but with lows of -31C.

The decision to keep the hill closed is based on the safety of the park's guests and staff. WinSport typically uses a -25C threshold, with or without wind chill, to close the hill. Park visitors are encouraged to visit WinSport's hill report at www.winsport.ca for the latest updates.

WinSport's sliding track is also closed today and Saturday, with a decision on Sunday to be determined tomorrow.

Please note that other areas of the park, including the Markin MacPhail Centre, the Calgary Gymnastics Centre and Canada's Sports Hall of Fame remain open.

A final decision on re-opening to the public on Monday will be made on Sunday, based on the latest forecast.

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WinSport Canada

The Canadian Winter Sport Institute provides world-class sport facilities where Canadian athletes can discover, develop and excel. WinSport Canada owns and operates Canada Olympic Park in Calgary, Alta., the Bill Warren Training Centre located at the Canmore Nordic Centre and the Beckie Scott High Performance Training Centre on Haig Glacier, Alta. A not-for-profit organization, WinSport Canada supports national sport organizations, encourages educational opportunities and subsidizes the operation of unique training and recreational facilities used by the nation's top athletes and the general public. For more information on WinSport Canada please visit www.winsportcanada.ca.

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