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## Pre-Trip Checklist

### For Custodial Group Leaders Planning Winter Backcountry Travel in Avalanche Terrain

- Review topographical maps and guidebooks. Determine your destination. Check the national park web site for current information. Contact the park if you need more information or advice.
- Ensure you do a thorough job of describing the trip and disclosing the risks to your organization, and to the parents of the minors in your group. This is extremely important.
- Retain a certified mountain or ski guide. Visit [www.acmgguides.com](http://www.acmgguides.com) for more information.
- Ensure your group is properly equipped, trained, and has suitable skills for the proposed trip. Your guide can assist with this.
- Obtain a Custodial Group Permit Application Form from a national park visitor centre or the park's web site.
- Outline the group composition and backcountry travel details.
- Complete your application form and submit it. **Note:** the park must receive it **at least** two weeks prior to your trip start date.
- Once approved, the permit will be sent to the group leader.

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