



Things to consider:

- Some infants do not like riding in ski sleds, others fall asleep quickly and appear to enjoy the experience. Toddlers who don't like riding in sleds have been known to open the cover and bail out while underway.
- Use the restraint system provided with the sled; a moving child will effect the sled's balance. Keep in mind that the higher the sled is off the ground, the easier it turns over. Practice with a weighted sled to test your control on downhill, especially around turns, before skiing the same terrain with your child aboard.
- Limit your initial excursions to good weather and short duration. As you both become comfortable with the experience, you can expand from there.
- Initially ski with your partner. One of you tow the sled while the other monitors your child. When your child is comfortable in the moving sled, experiment and have your partner ski ahead or behind before skiing solo with your child.
- Make sure your child is dressed for the weather. Put additional clothing and insulation behind the seat in case the temperature drops. Check on him/her frequently in new temperatures to see how s/he is coping. In cold weather avoid opening the cover unless you intend to add insulation. Opening the cover lets in cold air.
- Skiing multiple short loops is typically a better strategy than going for a long ski—at least initially—because you can opt out quickly if your child becomes uncomfortable or the weather changes.
- As always, bring extra food and juice (or milk).
- Keep a few soft toys—nothing hard—in the sled with your child in case s/he awakens.