

The Alpine Convention on Sustainable Tourism

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Special recommendations related to tourist facilities:

- Seek a balance between intensive and extensive tourism in areas under heavy tourism pressure
- Foster quality in tourism offering by exchanging good practices between facilities and developing joint action plans
- Establish designated quiet areas, where no tourist facilities will be developed
- Give priority to commercial accommodation and accommodation in existing buildings to be modernised
- Evaluate authorisations of ski lifts
- Promote access to tourist resorts by public transport and reduce dependence on private motorised vehicles
- Ensure that ski slopes blend into the natural scenery and surroundings as much as possible, replant them and authorise the use of artificial snow only if allowed by the location's hydrological, climatic and ecological conditions
- Control outdoor sporting activities, especially sporting activities using motorised vehicles
- Limit or prohibit landing by air for the purpose of sporting activities