**Troll Patrol benefits and expenses**

**Some of the benefits of patrolling are:**

* Free season-pass for yourself and immediate family under 18 or a buddy pass.
* Discount on most equipment from area retailers and the Troll Ski Shop
* Other ski areas may give a discount or possibly give a free day pass to current patrollers.
* Enjoy camaraderie with fellow patrollers and getting out of the house during the winter.
* Being a member of National Ski Patrol
* Discount at Trollhaugen food services
* Free courses in Outdoor Emergency Care, Outdoor Emergency Transportation and others
* Many Pro deals from National Ski Patrol sponsors (Ex. Patagonia, Smith, Hestra, etc)

**The first-year expenses are:**

* Purchase a current OEC 6 textbook. Can be found online for around $90-100. *Outdoor Emergency Care, 6th Edition by National Ski Patrol, ©2021 by National Ski Patrol Systems, Inc. ISBM: 9781284205251.* Use the Jones & Bartlett Learning website <https://www.psglearning.com/nsp/productdetails/9781284205251> to order your book. USE DISCOUNT CODE "NSPMEC2" TO RECEIVE A MEMBER DISCOUNT.
* Must attend a CPR class. We offer a class for $20. If your employer or other activities cover CPR, you don’t have to take our class. This is an annual requirement.
* The OEC test is $60 paid to NSP. This is required for test out.
* Optional online class for OEC ([OEC6online.com](http://OEC6online.com)) is $100. This is not mandatory but highly recommended.
* NSP annual dues for national and regional participation are currently $109 per year.
* After passing the OEC class you will need a patrol jacket and supply bag. The jacket and bag have a wide range of cost. Sometimes used apparel is available for a reduced price.

**Patrol Requirements**

* First year patrollers put in 30-40 hours of patrol shift.
* Following the OEC course, new patrollers will take the free OET/on the hill toboggan training.
* NSP requires all patrollers to take a yearly refresher course which is held the first Saturday in October for Trollhaugen Patrol. There is no charge.
* Yearly refreshers in CPR and chair lift evacuation