

Northstar ski instructor dies at resort

A ski instructor at Northstar died at the resort on Sunday.

Dennis Baltimore, 35, of Kings Beach and co-workers were going down Village Run, which gets people back to the base, when a snowboarder lost control after hitting ice. Baltimore veered to his left, went through some trees and landed in a creek.

The snowboarder called 911.

Ski patrol and Northstar firefighters responded Dec. 11, but were unable to revive Baltimore. He was pronounced dead at the scene just after noon.

“Northstar California Resort, Northstar Ski Patrol and the entire Vail Resorts family extend our deepest sympathy and support to our employee’s family and friends; we are all devastated by the loss of this member of our team,” said Nadia Guerriero, Northstar’s vice president and general manager, said in a statement.

According to Placer County sheriff’s Sgt. Dave Hunt, the snowboarder is not likely to face charges.

“You are supposed to ski in control. You can be skiing in control, and hit ice which causes you to go out of control,” Hunt told *Lake Tahoe News*.

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