To Repair a Skin Tear or Delamination

First get all the materials you will need handy for the job.

- small thin peace of wood (see picture).
- glue you will use.
- a small block of wood or plastic that will cover the area to be glued.
- clamp spring or C clamp.
- piece of grocery bag plastic.
- small scissors or exacto knife.



1) Determine the exact area needed to be glued by gently pulling the skin back.

2) Clean the area on the ski that will be glued of any debris or residue.

3) Apply glue sparingly and carefully to the base of the ski (not the skin) with the small piece of (shaped if needed) wood. This can be used to spread the glue evenly. Make sure the glue is an even thin coat - no pooling or gobs that can come through the skin when you clamp it!



4) Carefully lay the unglued piece of skin over the area with glue (be careful not to get glue on the front or fur part of the skin! make sure the skin is located where you want it.

5) Place the piece of grocery bag plastic over the glued area - it should extend beyond the glued area on all sides

6) Make sure the skin is still in place and put the block over the plastic and clamp with your clamp of choice. It does not have to have a lot of pressure but make sure you center the clamp on the block to get even pressure. Let sit over night.



Field repair can generally be managed with a small tube of super glue gel. apply glue carefully to the cleaned area, use whatever you have handy (the other ski or a scraper?) as a block to get pressure on the patch. A piece of grocery bag plastic or similar is recommended as this keeps you from accidentally glueing the block to the ski being repaired. hold firmly for at least a minute or longer, and then let sit for as long as possible before using. The goop is good but would need to be done over night as it is not quick setting. Both these glues are available in small tubes as are seam grip and similar glues.