



Wilderness Adventure Outreach

INFORMED CONSENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

Youth consent form - For participants under the age of 19.

This Consent and Acknowledgment of Risk form is an agreement between the custodial parent/guardian of the minor participant named below and Wilderness Adventure Outreach. The choice to participate in any Wilderness Adventure Outreach program is made freely and with understanding of the associated benefits, risks and responsibilities. This is not a waiver and signing this form DOES NOT waive your Child's legal rights. **Please initial the two boxes (below right) to indicate that you and the participant named have read each section and sign below to confirm that you understand and agree to the following terms.**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Name of Participant:

Date of birth:

Emergency Contact:

Phone #:

Relationship to Participant:

The activities offered by Wilderness Adventure Outreach are designed to appropriately challenge participants. The enjoyment and educational benefit derived from outdoor activities are in part a result of the inherent risks of these activities. The benefits of participating in these activities include developing self confidence, leadership, teamwork and interpersonal skills, exposure to the outdoors, and nature education. While Wilderness Adventure Outreach strives to manage risk, it is neither possible nor desirable to eliminate all risk.

In consideration of (**print participant's name**) _____, for whom I am the custodial parent or legal guardian, being allowed to participate in any Wilderness Adventure Outreach program, I understand that:

Wilderness Adventure Outreach offers outdoor activities which include, but are not limited to: hiking, rock climbing, rappelling, sea kayaking, canoeing, caving, mountaineering, team building, backpacking, snowshoeing and instructional courses.

Outdoor activities include inherent risks that may be different or greater than those risks normally assumed at home, work or school. These risks include but are not limited to: slipping, falling, swinging, insect or animal bites, infectious disease contracted through viruses, bacteria, parasites, and fungi which may be transmitted through direct or indirect contact; negligence of other persons; and NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE PARTICIPANT, cold water immersion, hypothermia (cold exposure), hyperthermia (heat exposure), uneven terrain, stream crossings, unpredictable weather, and ocean conditions, falling rocks or trees, loss or damage of personal property, injury, permanent disability or fatality.

I UNDERSTAND

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Communication and emergency response times may be significantly longer than in urban settings. I may contact Wilderness Adventure Outreach in advance if I have questions about the risks described above or pertaining to any other aspect of the program.

I Agree that participation in Wilderness Adventure Outreach activities requires participants to:

- Share the responsibility for the safety of themselves and others during all activities.
- Follow all instructions and directions of Wilderness Adventure Outreach Instructors/Guides. Failure to do so may result in removal from the program.
- Assume the above risks and accept responsibility and costs for all damages and loss resulting from their participation, including all evacuation costs.

I AGREE

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I, as the custodial parent/legal guardian of the Participant, am not relying on any oral, written or visual representation or statements by Wilderness Adventure Outreach or any other inducement or coercion to go on the program, and I want the Participant to attend Wilderness Adventure Outreach's program.

I agree that this Agreement shall be governed exclusively in all respects by and interpreted solely in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia.

Signed by Custodial Parent or Legal Guardian

Parent/Legal Guardian's Printed Name

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date: _____