



## Acknowledgment of Risk

In consideration of the services of the Sierra Club and its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders, I agree as follows:

Although Sierra Club Outings has taken reasonable steps to provide me with appropriate equipment and skilled guides so I can enjoy an activity for which I may not be skilled, Sierra Club Outings has informed me this activity is not without risk. Certain risks are inherent in each activity and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the activity. These inherent risks are some of the same elements that contribute to the unique character of this activity and can be the cause of loss or damage to my equipment, or accidental injury, illness, or in extreme cases, permanent trauma or death. Sierra Club Outings does not want to frighten me or reduce my enthusiasm for this activity, but believes it is important for me to know in advance what to expect and to be informed of the inherent risks. The following describes some, but not all, of those risks:

- These risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious personal injury to my person or property, or my death (“injuries and damages”) from exposure to the hazards of travel in the areas the Outing will visit.
- I know that injuries and damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders and assistants or third parties, and such injuries and damages can occur as a result of negligence or because of other reasons.
- I understand that risks of such injury and damages are involved in adventure travel such as Sierra Club Outings and I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person as well as for others around me in the face of such hazards.
- I further understand that on Sierra Club Outings there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise that may be necessary to deal with the injuries and damages to which I may be exposed.

I am aware that Sierra Club Outings entail risks of injury or death to any participant. I understand that the description of these inherent risks is not complete and that other unknown or unanticipated inherent risks may result in injury or death. I agree to assume and accept full responsibility for the inherent risks identified herein and those inherent risks not specifically identified. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, no one is forcing me to participate, and I elect to participate in spite of and with full knowledge of the inherent risks.

I acknowledge that engaging in this activity may require a degree of skill and knowledge different than other activities and that I have responsibilities as a participant. I acknowledge that the staff of Sierra Club Outings has been available to more fully explain to me the nature and physical demands of this activity and the inherent risks, hazards, and dangers associated with this activity.

I certify that I am fully capable of participating in this activity. Therefore, I assume and accept full responsibility for myself, including all minor children in my care, custody, and control, for bodily injury, death or loss of personal property and expenses as a result of those inherent risks and dangers identified herein and those inherent risks and dangers not specifically identified, and, as a result of my negligence in participating in this activity.

I have carefully read, clearly understood and accepted the terms and conditions stated herein and acknowledge that this agreement shall be effective and binding upon myself, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate and for all members of my family, including minor children.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a minor (under age 18), your parent or legal guardian must sign this Acknowledgement on your behalf.

I hereby agree and consent to the foregoing acknowledgment of risk of the minor below.

Name and Age of Minor: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print) (Age)

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete and return this form to your trip leader