

**PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

In consideration of the services of Raft Moab, Inc., DBA WORLD WIDE RIVER EXPEDITIONS, their agents, owners, officers, volunteers, participants, employees, and all other persons or entities acting in any capacity on their behalf (hereinafter collectively referred to as "WWRE"), I hereby agree to release, indemnify, and discharge WWRE, on behalf of myself, my spouse, my children, my parents, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate as follows:

1. I acknowledge that river rafting and associated activities entail known and unanticipated risks that could result in physical or emotional injury, paralysis, death, or damage to myself, to property, or to third parties. I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity.

**The risks include, among other things:** whitewater rapids will be encountered. I can be jolted, jarred, bounced, and shaken about during rides through some of these rapids. It is possible that I could be injured if I come in contact with food boxes, other storage containers, or other fixed equipment necessary to the operation of the expedition and the outfitting of the raft. Injuries and property loss could also occur during raft to raft water fighting. Rafts could turn over or I could be "washed" overboard. I can slip or fall during a hike, resulting in damage to equipment or personal injury. Accidents can occur getting on and off the raft. Rafts are slippery when wet. Exposure to the natural elements can be uncomfortable and/or harmful. I am aware that this exposure could cause sunburn, dehydration, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and heat cramps. Also prolonged exposure to cold water can result in hypothermia and in extreme cases death and accidental drowning is also a possibility.

Furthermore, WWRE employees have difficult jobs to perform. They seek safety, but they are not infallible. They might be unaware of a participant's fitness or abilities. They might misjudge the weather or other environmental conditions. They may give incomplete warnings or instructions, and the equipment being used might malfunction.

2. I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume all of the risks existing in this activity. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, and I elect to participate in spite of the risks.

3. I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless WWRE from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action, which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity or my use of WWRE's equipment or facilities, **including any such claims which allege negligent acts or omissions of WWRE.**

4. Should WWRE or anyone acting on their behalf, be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify and hold them harmless for all such fees and costs.

5. I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may cause or suffer while participating, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage myself. I further certify that I am willing to assume the risk of any medical or physical condition I may have.

6. In the event that I file a lawsuit against WWRE, I agree to do so solely in the state of Utah, and I further agree that the substantive law of Utah shall apply in that action without regard to the conflict of law rules of that state. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining document shall remain in full force and effect.

**By signing this document, I acknowledge that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged during my participation in this activity, I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against WWRE on the basis of any claim from which I have released them herein.**

**I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and I agree to be bound by its terms.**

WWRE reserves the right to take photographic or film records of any WWRE's trip, and each trip member hereby agrees that WWRE may use such photographic or film records for promotional and/or commercial purposes.

Signature of Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S ADDITIONAL INDEMNIFICATION  
(Must be completed for participants under the age of 18)**

In consideration of \_\_\_\_\_ (print minor's name) ("Minor") being permitted by WWRE to participate in its activities and to use its equipment and facilities, I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless WWRE from any and all claims which are brought by, or on behalf of Minor, and which are in any way connected with such use or participation by Minor.

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Safety Reminder

Here are a few basic rules that we have to keep everyone as safe as we can while they are having fun on the river. A complete orientation will be given before the boats launch. Please make sure each participant understands and is aware of these preliminary safety reminders.

- ☛ Life jackets must be worn at all times while on the river with all buckles closed.
- ☛ Do not use your paddles to splash with.
- ☛ No jumping boat to boat or throwing people out of the boat.
- ☛ No diving or jumping into the river. Only go in slowly, feet first.
- ☛ Listen to your guide and stay close to your boat.
- ☛ Life jackets must be worn at all times while swimming in the river from camp with all buckles closed.
- ☛ Drink plenty of water to prevent dehydration.

I have read and understand the basic safety reminders as listed above.

Signature of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_