

Gold Country Paddlers

Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Statement

I understand and acknowledge that there are risks of personal injury, death, and property damage while participating in club activities with Gold Country Paddlers ("GCP") or any of its members. Some risks are inherent in whitewater river running; other risks are inherent in outdoor activities, wilderness travel, or water sports generally; other risks may arise from ride-sharing, shuttles, pot-luck meals, and festivities; still other risks may arise from conditions, situations, or activities of which I am presently unaware.

As a condition of membership, GCP requires all members to assume the risks involved in club activities and to forfeit potential claims or legal actions for damages by signing this document. Members must acknowledge that club activities are undertaken by voluntary co-participants and that no member assumes responsibility for the safety of another. Each member makes an independent evaluation and decision about where, when, and with whom to paddle or engage in other club activities. Conventional designations of authority (such as "trip leader", "coordinator", and the like) or the participation of some members in initiating events, facilitating activities, or exercising leadership do not change the status of such members from mere co-participants, modify their obligations to other members, alter the voluntary, consensual nature of participation, vitiate express or implied assumption of risk, or otherwise create legal duties.

Therefore, in consideration of my membership in GCP, I HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCLAIM, AND RELINQUISH ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PERSONAL INJURY, WRONGFUL DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE AGAINST GCP OR ITS MEMBERS ARISING AS A RESULT OF MY PARTICIPATION IN CLUB ACTIVITIES, OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENTAL THERETO, EVEN IF MY INJURY, DEATH, OR DAMAGE OCCURS AS A RESULT OF ACTIVE OR PASSIVE NEGLIGENCE BY GCP OR ITS MEMBERS.

I FURTHER AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS GCP AND ITS MEMBERS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PERSONAL INJURY, WRONGFUL DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARISING OUT OF OR CONNECTED IN ANY WAY TO MY PARTICIPATION IN CLUB ACTIVITIES. I ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DECIDING WHERE, WHEN, AND WITH WHOM TO PADDLE OR PARTICIPATE IN OTHER CLUB ACTIVITIES. I ASSUME ALL RISKS THAT MAY ARISE FROM THESE ACTIVITIES. I ASSUME SOLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY OWN SAFETY.

I agree that the terms of this document bind me, my heirs, assigns, executors, and administrators, & protect GCP & its members and I sign this document freely and voluntarily.

Member email address _____

Member Number _____

First Name & Last name (printed) _____

Today's Date _____

Signature of Member _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18 years old) _____

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