

**University of Michigan
Department of Recreational Sports
Outdoor Adventures Release of Liability 2007-2008**

The primary goal of Outdoor Adventures is to offer a positive outdoor experience. Although Outdoor Adventures has taken precautions to provide the organization, supervision, instruction, and equipment for each program, it is impossible to guarantee safety.

I realize that there is a degree of inherent risk and personal responsibility for safety when I participate in activities with the Outdoor Adventures Program. My participation in this trip involves physical activities in remote locations, which may have limited access to definitive medical care. The University of Michigan has no health and accident insurance to cover me in activities of this nature and I understand that I should consider obtaining the protection of such insurance on an individual basis.

In consideration of my participation in the Outdoor Adventures Program, I release the Regents of the University of Michigan, its officers, agents, employees and students from any and all claims which I may have as a result of personal injury or property damage arising out of or connected in any way with the program, unless those claims arise as a direct result of gross negligence or willful misconduct of the University of Michigan. I also agree to alert the trip leaders to any faulty equipment, personal difficulty, or any sickness, fatigue, and other physical problems, which may limit my participation in this activity.

I also understand that in some instances, the University of Michigan and its staff act only as contracting agents for various companies whose services are made available and that they make no representations to me as to the adequacy of such services nor assume any responsibility or liability in connection with them.

I hereby certify that the answers set forth here are true. Outdoor Adventures is a tobacco-free and substance-free program – tobacco products, alcohol or drugs not prescribed by a physician are prohibited. I am aware that as a participant I am required to follow the policies and guidelines set by the Outdoor Adventures Program and instructions from the Outdoor Adventures leaders. I understand and agree to all policies and procedures. In the event I need to leave because of physical injury, illness, emotional or other reasons before the completion of the trip, or if I do not adhere to the policies or procedures, I maybe removed from the program. I understand that I am responsible for making travel arrangements and paying travel costs for my early return home.

I hereby certify that I am aware that specific personal equipment is necessary for my participation in this program and that it is my obligation to provide this equipment. I acknowledge that my failure to provide the necessary equipment may prevent my full participation in this trip. I also understand that I am responsible for and must return any Outdoor Adventures equipment that I rent or use for this trip. I understand that there is a specified fee associated with participating in this trip and that I am responsible for paying that fee. I hereby grant permission for any photos, audio, or video that are taken during this activity to be used by Outdoor Adventures Program in promotional or other materials.

Should an accident or emergency occur, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the University of Michigan Outdoor Adventure staff to hospitalize and/or secure proper medical treatment for me, except as noted below. I agree to hold only myself liable for these noted exceptions.

Exceptions for treatment/hospitalization:

Any questions I have regarding this agreement have been discussed with the trip leader and/or the Outdoor Adventures Director.

Signature and Date

Name (Please Print)