

RISK ASSUMPTION AND PARTICIPATION CONSENT FORM

This form must be completed by each student prior to being admitted to the Adventure Tourism program at the Cégep de la Gaspésie et des Îles. The form aims to educate students as well as their parents or guardians about the inherent risks associated with the settings in which Adventure Tourism is taught.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS DOCUMENT, PLEASE DISCUSS THEM WITH THE ADVENTURE TOURISM PROGRAM COORDINATOR IN GASPÉ, PRIOR TO SIGNING THE FORM.

I, (name in block letters) _____,
residing at: _____,

declare that I have been informed of the risks, the physical and technical demands of the activities, the environmental and weather conditions (weather and physical conditions of the terrain) and details regarding the people involved (number of participants, experience of the guides, information about other customers) by the guide, teacher or company providing the activity. Considering the activities, as presented to me and the skills I believe I have, I hereby declare myself capable of participating safely in these activities.

However, if at any time, I think my physical condition and/or my mental health are such that I am no longer able to continue in these activities, I will immediately inform the guide and/or the teacher in charge.

I am aware that there are risks associated with the activities offered to me. I understand that even if all measures have been taken to ensure safe course delivery, the activities are dangerous and I am at risk. The following are some of the dangers I might encounter (this list is not exhaustive, but is provided simply for reference). For instance, I might:

- be uncontrollably seasick;
- contract a bacterial or viral disease caused by water- or food-borne contamination;
- be caught by a wind or rain storm or other weather phenomena;
- suffer health complications such as a heart attack, appendicitis, or allergic reactions;
- suffer serious injury that could lead to death as a result of an encounter with a wild animal, a fall, a drowning, a collision with another watercraft or vehicle;
- be struck by lightning;
- become trapped in a watercraft, vehicle or crevice;
- suffer shock, hyperventilation, frostbite, hyperthermia or a burn;
- be injured during transit in a rented or private vehicle, while using tools or equipment or while lifting heavy loads;
- suffer a sports injury involving tendons, muscles or ligaments;
- etc.

These activities may take place far from medical services and it is important to be aware that help and the evacuation of an injured person may take hours or even days. I accept to conform to all safety procedures and standards, both for my own and other's safety. I understand the import of my decision and have had sufficient time to think about it. I acknowledge and assume responsibility for all the risks and dangers which could result from the activities offered in my Adventure Tourism program.

I understand that it is my duty to inform the persons in charge and/or the group, of any and all situations or behaviour that I consider risky. I understand that I always have the right to opt out of any activity that makes me uneasy or that I believe to be too risky

Finally, I have no intention of taking legal action against the people in charge or the Cégep de la Gaspésie et des Îles if I have an accident.

NB: DO NOT SIGN this form if you do not fully understand the information it contains.

Student's signature :

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If student is under 18:

Parent's name : _____

Parent's signature: _____

Date: _____

I agree that photos taken of me during outings may be used for promotional purposes by the Cégep de la Gaspésie et des Îles.

Signature: _____ Date: _____