

Chota Canoe and Kayak Trip Release Form

I, as a participant, desiring to join my fellow paddlers on this Chota Canoe Club canoe and kayak trip, do hereby declare that I understand and accept the following facts of life on the river:

Canoeing, kayaking, or rafting, particularly on whitewater rivers, exposes the participants to various safety hazards including, but not limited to, water hazards (boulders, undercut rocks, trees, strainers, water formations such as water falls, holes, keeper hydraulics, and other obstacles) swimming in turbulent water, using paddling equipment, accidents or illness in remote places without medical facilities, and travel in a vehicle not driven by me.

No one but I am responsible for my safety when I choose to paddle a particular trip, on a particular river, or in a particular rapid.

I further understand that I have no legal duty to assist others, nor does anyone else have a legal duty to render such assistance to me. I certify that I am in good physical condition, that I can swim, and that I have no physical defects or injuries that would prevent me from participating in this activity. I fully understand and agree that when I participate in canoeing, kayaking, or rafting, there is always the possibility of unknown, uncontrollable dangers and accidental or other physical injury and death. I know I can be killed, and I willingly assume the risks referred to in paragraph (1) and elsewhere in this release.

Therefore, in consideration for granting me the right to join and participate in Chota Canoe Club activities, and intending to be legally bound, I hereby knowingly release, waive, and discharge my rights to sue Chota Canoe Club, its trip schedulers, organizers, and coordinators as well as club officers, directors, representatives, agents, employees, and affiliates, and also any landowner or government unit which may allow Chota Canoe Club to use its property, for any and all loss or damage on account of injury to my person or on account of my death, which may occur during, in preparation for, or in transit to or from a Chota Canoe Club activity.

This waiver applies to acts or omissions of ordinary negligence and to any deliberate act intended to promote my safety or well being. This waiver is signed by me and my trip companions in the interest of permitting Chota Canoe Club to exist and to serve the paddling community, and to enable me and my fellow paddlers to feel free to donate our services to improving the sport and to help in training those less skilled in the sport without fear of liability.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY. I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Trip Coordinator: _____ Date: _____

River: _____ Section: _____ Req. Skill Level: _____

Paddlers: Please Print Name and Sign below.

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