

Timberline Ranch

Participant / Parent / Guardian Agreement & Acknowledgement of Risks

I, _____ (participant's name or name of the parent/guardian of _____), recognize that I/my dependent will be involved in indoor and outdoor activities at Timberline Ranch. Activities involved in this trip may include but are not limited to hiking, orienteering, horseback riding, rock or wall climbing, archery, ropes courses, swimming, games and sports, and team building initiatives.

I understand that outdoor activities offer a wide variety of risks, hazards, and conditions to the participant with not all of them easily foreseeable, which could result in loss, damage, expense, or injury, including death. These conditions may include, but are not limited to variable weather conditions including heat, cold, and wetness, steep or uneven terrain, evacuation difficulties, darkness, animal and plant life, and use of equipment, including various types of safety gear. I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity.

I agree to accept and assume all of the risks existing in these activities, during this trip, that are in my control. I/my dependent understand that I/my dependent do not have to participate in the activities if I/they do not feel comfortable or confident in doing so. I certify that I/my dependent have/has no medical or physical conditions that could interfere with the safety of any activity. Otherwise, I am willing to assume all the costs and risks that may be created, directly or indirectly, by any such condition.

I understand that Timberline Ranch will endeavor to instruct, protect and care for the well being of myself/my dependent, including making decisions regarding the medical care of myself/my dependent. I also understand that, following all trip activities, they will continue to maintain professional standards of behavior regarding myself/my dependent.

I understand that I/my dependent will need to uphold the standards of behaviour expected of them from Timberline Ranch and the organization with which they come (if any). I/(s)he will be expected to listen to and honor any request, suggestion, advice, or rule given by the staff, employees of Timberline Ranch, and other supervising adults on the trip, with the understanding that this is in the best interest of all participants. I/(s)he will be expected to act with responsibility and care for my/him/herself, the retreat facility, and for others on the trip.

I understand that the camp staff will take reasonable steps to prevent injuries to participants, and that some degree of risk is inherent in the nature of these activities and may occur without fault on the part of the participant or Timberline Ranch. By participating in this activity or allowing my dependent to participate, I am agreeing that the activities described above are suitable for myself/my dependent, and that there is a risk of injury associated with these activities.

I have read this agreement at my leisure, and have understood its nature and its contents. I am aware that there are risks involved in this program, and I choose to participate in the program or allow my dependent to participate in the program and all activities involved in the program as s/he wishes. If signing this on behalf of a dependent, I have spoken to him/her about these risks and expectations, I am confident that s/he has understood them, and I am content to allow him/her to proceed on the trip as s/he wishes.

(signature parent/guardian or participant 19 or over)

(printed name)

(date)