



## ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, in consideration for membership in the Georgia Canoeing Association (the "GCA") and to become a joint adventurer in the GCA activity of

\_\_\_\_\_ hereby declare as follows:  
(RIVER or EVENT)

I understand that boating and other activities in which I will engage with GCA are inherently dangerous and will expose me to various hazards, both natural and man made, which could result in significant risk of injury (including permanent disability and death) as well as severe social and economic losses. The hazards and dangers to which I will be exposed involve ever changing and unpredictable water and other natural conditions, defective or improper equipment, the actions and inactions of my fellow adventurers who may be negligent, and other unknown or unforeseeable risks and dangers.

I know and appreciate the dangers described above. I choose to proceed with GCA activities and expressly assume and accept full responsibility for the consequences of my exposure to all risks, hazards and dangers which I may encounter as a joint adventurer in any GCA activity. I also assume and accept full responsibility for determining the adequacy of my skill, equipment, and physical condition to engage in any GCA activity.

I know and understand that I may assist my fellow adventurers to the best of my own ability if they appear to need such assistance, but only for so long as I can do so, in my judgment, without unreasonably endangering myself. I further understand that I have no legal obligation to assist, and that neither my fellow adventurers nor any other member or guest of GCA has any legal obligation to render assistance to me.

NOW THEREFORE, I release and agree to hold harmless and not to bring any legal action against the GCA, its directors, officers, leaders, coordinators, instructors, members or guests, either personally or as representatives of GCA, arising out of or relating to any and all claims, demands, damages, injuries to person or property, actions or causes of action for any acts of active or passive negligence (except willful or wanton negligence or misconduct), arising out of or connected with my participation in any GCA activity.

This release is given to enable my joint adventurers and me to feel free to participate in GCA activities and to donate our services to help each other without fear of liability. This release is given in consideration for similar releases granted or to be granted to my benefit by other GCA members and joint adventurers on GCA activities.

This release has no expiration date and shall be deemed reaffirmed each time I participate in any GCA activity.











**Minors**

Minor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Signature

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Designated Chaperone \_\_\_\_\_

Minor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Pre-Shuttle

1. Has everyone signed the GCA trip waiver?
2. Does everyone know the shuttle plan? Directions, Costs, Meeting Point, Drivers Only, etc.
3. Does everyone have PFD, Helmet, Paddle, Spray Skirt, Water, Lunch

## Pre-Trip Safety Meeting

1. Has everyone has signed the GCA trip waiver?
2. Everyone must WEAR an appropriately fitting, approved PFD.
3. All decked boaters with a skirt must wear a helmet while on moving water.
4. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be allowed during the river trip.
5. Identify the lead and sweep boaters are for the trip.
- 6 Keep the boater behind you in sight.
- 7 Location of scouting stops for the trip
- 8 Location of lunch stop
- 9 AWA river safety signals:

Left / Right	Stop	Emergency
Come Ahead	Whistle	Head Pat
- 10 River etiquette including fishermen, right of way, private property.
- 11 Location of throw ropes, pin kits, first aid kits and other safety gear.
- 12 Dangers inherent in jumping or diving into the water
- 13 Hazards or potential dangers on the river

Foot Entrapment	Snakes	Strainers
Poison Ivy	Rafts	Other
- 14 The importance of self-rescue and participating in your own rescue.
15. Are there paddlers that are new to the river?



## INCIDENT REPORT FORM

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Trip Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Trip Location: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Incident(s):**

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**Names and contact information for involved parties:**

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**Name and contact information for additional witnesses to the incident:**

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**Please submit this form, if used, along with your trip waivers, to GCA Cruisemaster:**

**Shirley Tharp, 4685 Clifden Avenue, Grovetown GA 30813**