# RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

(hereinafter the "Release Agreement")

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE OR GIVE UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE FOR NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR BREACH OF THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT OR CLAIM COMPENSATION FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT

#### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Signature of Participant

TO: Western Canyoning Adventures Ltd., Rockies Heli Canada and their respective directors, officers, employees, instructors, guides, agents, representatives, volunteers, sponsors, independent contractors, subcontractors, successors and assigns (all of whom are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Releasees")

Name	Last		First		Date of Birth
Address	Street			City	
	Prov/State		Country		Code
	Telephone	Emergency Co	ontact	Email	

#### **DEFINITION**

In this agreement the term "Canyoning Activities" includes all activities, events, services and use of equipment and facilities, provided, arranged, organized, conducted, sponsored or authorized by the Releasees, including, but not limited to: mountaineering; rock climbing; hiking; rappelling; belaying; diving; swimming; backcountry travel; surface or air transportation, including all helicopter travel; loading, unloading and travel in or movement around helicopters; demonstrations; orientation, training and instruction sessions, seminars and courses; and all other such activities, events or services in any way connected with or related to Canyoning Activities.

#### **ASSUMPTION OF RISKS**

I am aware that participating in **Canyoning Activities** involves risks, dangers and hazards including the risk of head injury, paralysis and death. The risks, dangers and hazards also include, but are not limited to: travel on, through or beside snowfields, glaciers, crevasses, streams, creeks, rivers, waterfalls, ponds and lakes; steep slopes, cliffs, undercut and eroded riverbanks; slips, trips and falls; cuts and abrasions; failure of climbing and rappelling equipment including ropes, harnesses, slings, anchor points, climbing holds, or any other equipment associated with or related to climbing, rappelling and belaying; failing to climb, rappel or belay safely or within one's own ability; drowning; hypothermia due to exposure to very cold water; miscellaneous health problems related to over-exposure to the sun, insect bites, fatigue, stress, dehydration, exertion, and lack of fitness; becoming lost or separated from the guide or instructor; encounters with domestic animals including dogs, and wildlife, including bears and cougars; negligence on the part of instructors, guides, other participants and other persons; infectious disease contracted through viruses, bacteria, parasites, and fungi which may be transmitted through direct or indirect contact; negligent first aid or evacuation following an accident; and **NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES.** 

I UNDERSTAND THAT NEGLIGENCE INCLUDES FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM OR WARN ME OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS OF PARTICIPATING IN CANYONING ACTIVITIES.

Communication on the river and backcountry is difficult, and in the event of an accident, rescue and medical treatment may not be readily available.

I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH CANYONING ACTIVITIES AND I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS RESULTING THEREFROM.

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In consideration of the RELEASEES allowing me to participate in **Canyoning Activities** and permitting my use of their services, equipment and facilities, and for other good and valuable consideration, I hereby agree as follows:

- 1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I have or may in the future have against THE RELEASEES and TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury including death that I may suffer or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of any aspect of my participation in Canyoning Activities DUE TO ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, OR BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE OWED UNDER THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 337, ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES. I UNDERSTAND THAT NEGLIGENCE INCLUDES FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM OR WARN ME OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS OF PARTICIPATING IN CANYONING ACTIVITIES;
- 2. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any property damage or personal injury to any third party, resulting from my participation in Canyoning Activities;
- 3. This Release Agreement shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives, in the event of my death or incapacity;
- 4. This Release Agreement and any rights, duties and obligations as between the parties to this Release Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted solely in accordance with the laws of British Columbia and no other jurisdiction; and
- 5. Any litigation involving the parties to this Release Agreement shall be brought solely within British Columbia, and shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of British Columbia.

**PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE** - I hereby grant permission to the Releasees to take photographic or video representations of me during my participation in Canyoning Activities and to publish the photographs and video for advertising, promotional and marketing purposes.

In entering into this Release Agreement I am not relying on any oral or written representations or statements made by the Releasees with respect to the safety of participating in Canyoning Activities, other than what is set forth in this Release Agreement.

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES.

Signed this day of, 20	<u> </u>
Signature of Participant	Signature Witness
Signature of Parent or Guardian if participant is under age 19	Please print name of witness clearly