



# VOYAGEUR TRAIL ASSOCIATION

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

Launch & Destination: \_\_\_\_\_

Launch Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Completed Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Sweep: \_\_\_\_\_

## ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

I hereby acknowledge the nature of the event and related activities I am undertaking with the Saulteaux Club of the Voyageur Trail Association and the risks, which may be determined by, but are not limited to, my physical condition, clothing and personal equipment, tools used, terrain, weather, distance travelled during the event, other participants and vehicular traffic, and voluntarily assume the risk of injury, death and property damage to myself and others.

I, the undersigned, hereby hold harmless and release and forever discharge the organizers, trip leaders, members, directors, executives and their successors of the Voyageur Trail Association from any and all claims and demands whatsoever which the undersigned and the heirs, representatives, executors and administrators thereof, or any other persons acting on their behalf or on behalf of their respective agents have or may have against the said above-mentioned persons or their successors by reason of any accident, illness, injury or death or other consequences arising or resulting directly or indirectly from participation in the outing or related activities under auspices of any of the above mentioned persons and occurring during said participation or at any time subsequent thereto.

**Trip Leaders have the right to refuse participants if they are unprepared, unwilling to follow direction from the leader, unwilling to wear their PFD or for any other reason they deem important.**

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR THEIR PFD WHEN ON THE WATER.**

### LEADER'S CHECKLIST:

*Are the participants:*

- Inexperienced?
- Dressed properly?
- Properly equipped (per Coast Guard regs)?
- Children?
- Carrying lunch & water?
- Suffering from any medical conditions that could affect or be affected by the outing experience?

*Explain the following:*

- Weather forecast
- Water & weather hazards and management
- Definition of flat water
- No crossing of broad expanses
- Stay within 50m of other boats
- Trip expectations: distance, breaks and return time
- Signals (raft-up, emergency etc.)
- First aid kit location & use
- Capsize & rescue plan
- Sweep position
- Nature's calls

*Additional information:*

- Introductions
- Everyone signed agreement?
- VTA brochures/info
- Appoint 'Sweep'
- Participant count
- Car pooling

**Please send this completed form c/o: VTA, PO Box 20040, 150 Churchill Blvd., Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 6W3  
Leaders & Sweeps will have their names entered into the annual VTA "free membership" draws.**

Name (please print)	Signature	Phone No.	Emergency Contact

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