



Program Permission and Release Waiver YMCA Camp Ralph S. Mason

Camper(s) Name: _____

I GIVE My PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD TO ENGAGE IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES (please check all that apply):

- Rock Climbing
- Skate Park
- Riflery
- Archery
- Boating and Canoeing
- Off-Site Adventure Trips

YMCA Camp Ralph S. Mason does and will make every possible effort to insure the complete safety of all of our campers and staff at all times. However, we ask that certain activities are acknowledged to involve inherent risk. YMCA Camp Mason conducts its programs with the best interests of its participants in mind. YMCA Camp Mason pledges to provide the following: (i) well maintained equipment and activity areas; (ii) necessary and industry recognized safety gear for all campers at all times; (iii) mature and experienced supervision at all permitted activity times; and (iv) reasonable and universally recognized safety rules and procedures, thereby making all activities as safe as possible. However, these programs do have inherent risks and although safety procedures have been established to minimize these risks not all risks and hazards can be eliminated due to the nature of the activities offered.

Living in the natural environment can be unpredictable. Some of the possible risks include contact with wildlife, falling, cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, fractures, falling trees, falls during climbing, falling rocks during climbing, tipping over a canoe, falling into the water, drowning, near drowning, hypothermia, unpredictable weather conditions. All of these risks may result in injuries to the participant. I understand that Camp Mason's intent is not to frighten me but wants me to be fully informed of all the risks. I understand that the risks listed above are not complete and that there are other risks that exist.

The potential of contracting Lyme Disease increases in rural settings such as Camp Mason. We encourage all participants to check themselves regularly for ticks and to be educated on the signs and symptoms of Lyme Disease, which may occur days or months after an encounter with a tick.

My signature below indicates that I fully understand the nature of the program at YMCA Camp Mason and I freely wish to participate. I know of no legal, physical or health reason why myself and/or my child cannot fully participate in the program that I am registering for. I agree to assume responsibility for the inherent risks identified herein and to those risks that are not specifically identified. I understand that it is my responsibility to participate in a safe manner, doing my best to follow the safety instructions provided to me by the Camp Mason staff. I agree not to do anything that jeopardizes me or other members of my group. I (and my parents/guardians if I am a minor) assume and accept full responsibility for me and for injury, death and loss of personal property and expenses suffered by me as a result of those inherent risks and dangers identified herein, and those not specifically identified, as a result of my negligence or the negligence of others participating in the activity.

My signature authorizes the management and staff of YMCA Camp Mason to act for me according to their best judgment in the event of a medical emergency and/or routine medical care. By my signature I hereby waive, release and hold harmless the YMCA, its management, volunteers, agents, and staff from any and all liability for any injuries, death or illness sustained and/or incurred while at Camp and /or while

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using any facilities of, or participating in any of the activities of YMCA Camp Mason. I grant permission for emergency medical treatment and/or routine medical care by the YMCA camp staff, a rescue squad, private physician and/or hospital or emergency health care facility staff, under the same circumstances as above, if needed. Any such action will be taken in the best interest of my child and will be reported to me as soon as possible. My signature waives and/or releases YMCA Camp Mason from any and all liability and/or financial responsibility for any medical expenses incurred.

I agree to waive and release all future claims, demands or causes of action which the undersigned and/or such participant might have by reason of any loss, damage, expenses, injury or death arising out of or in any way connected with such person's participation in such program. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless YMCA Camp Mason, their agents, officers, directors, employees and volunteers from and against any such claim, demands or causes of action.

By signing below, I acknowledge that it is understood that YMCA Camp Mason is a non-profit corporation, organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, and as such, is immune from liability for the negligence of its agents, servants or employees under N.J.S.A. 2A:53A-7.

I give YMCA Camp Mason permission to use any photographs taken of myself and/or my child while participating in programs at Camp Mason. *No identifying information will be associated with the image.*

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian/Participant

If the participant is under 18 I am signing as the parent/guardian to reflect my understanding and acceptance of the risks involved in attending programs at YMCA Camp Mason.

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