



Volunteer Registration BCMOS 30

Accessible Nature Weekend

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We will make all event updates via email

REFERENCES: VOLUNTEER / WORK EXPERIENCE

Include name of organization and contact name:

1. _____ Contact email/phone: _____
2. _____ Contact email/phone: _____

Why are you interested in volunteering for BCMOS 30? _____

Are you accompanying a participant? Yes No If yes, who? _____

What experience do you have working with people with disabilities? _____

Do you have any special skills, qualifications or certifications that may be of assistance (e.g. Paddle Canada certified, first aid, etc.)? Yes No _____

Which weekend(s) are you interested in volunteering with BCMOS 30?

- June 15 – 17 July 20 – 22 Aug. 17 – 19

How do you want to volunteer?

- Hiking Sherpa Paddling companion Fishing Other _____

Do you have a tent or RV to use at Agur Lake Camp? Tent RV Neither

Is there space to share with other volunteers, and if yes, how many? Yes No How many _____

Do you have any dietary restrictions? Yes No If yes, please describe: _____

BCMOS 30 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. VOLUNTEERS

The event is open to people wishing to volunteer to assist people with the event's activities, including adaptive hiking, paddling and fishing.

2. REGISTRATION

Interested volunteers can download and complete a fillable registration form from the BCMOS website, indicating their preferred weekend(s), two references, and details as to skills and qualifications they can offer.

3. INFORMATION PACKAGE

When people volunteer for an Accessible Nature weekend, they will receive an information package including directions to Agur Lake, itinerary of activities, participant responsibilities, suggested clothing and accessories, etc.

4. ORIENTATION

An orientation session will be held on Friday afternoon of each weekend, to welcome volunteers, outline the itinerary and schedule of activities for the weekend and have people sign up to assist with the various recreational activities offered.

This will also be an opportunity to get to know all of the participants for the weekend, finalize any special needs or arrangements that were requested and ensure that people have everything they need to have a safe, enjoyable stay.

This is the time and place to ask questions.

5. ACTIVITIES

Part of the focus of each weekend is to introduce participants to the accessible outdoor recreational experiences available through BCMOS and a range of programs throughout BC. A schedule of activities will be developed to coordinate participants and volunteers and ensure that people experience the activities that interest them.

Adaptive activities include:

- Adaptive hiking, using the BCMOS-designed TrailRider, a one-wheel, eco-friendly non-motorized device powered by two or more volunteers (number of volunteers needed dependent on the terrain)
- Adaptive paddling, using either the Onit Board, an adaptive paddleboard designed for wheelchair users, or an adaptive kayak, specially modified to accommodate people with limited mobility

In addition to hiking and paddling, Agur Lake features amenities that provide opportunities for a range of other activities, including:

- wheelchair-accessible trails around the lake and camp, including a boardwalk across a riparian area, featuring a loop trail and interpretive signs

- two lakeside docks, which provide wheelchair access to the lake for fishing and an adjacent observation deck, with a picnic table and benches
- a basketball hoop, badminton net and small playground

The camp is in a remote area, with no telephone land line or television service. Cell phone service is limited, but the Camp Supervisor can access cell phone coverage for emergency use.

6. ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Volunteers are responsible for their own transportation to and from the camp.

Escorts for vehicles up and down the logging road which connects Agur Lake to the Princeton-Summerland Road are available if requested at least 48 hours in advance. Other details include:

- Volunteers are asked to arrive on Friday by 3:00 pm, in order to take part in the orientation and an introduction to using the adaptive equipment.
- We plan to wrap up activities by 4:00 on the Sunday of each weekend. Please inform us if you need to leave earlier.

7. ACCOMMODATIONS

Agur Lake Camp is a barrier-free camp, located in the mountains west of Summerland, BC. Accommodations at the camp include:

- Three fully-accessible cabins
- Each cabin sleeps six, with two bedrooms containing two single, adjustable hospital beds with rails; Cabin 2 has ceiling tracks in the bedroom
- Fold-out couches in each living room sleeps two
- Participants and volunteers staying in a cabin with a participant are asked to bring their own bedding (sheets and blankets, or sleeping bag), pillow(s) and towels
- Bathrooms are spacious, with roll-in showers, roll-under sinks and grab bars
- Each cabin has a full kitchen, with oven, stove, refrigerator, microwave, toaster, coffee maker, cookware, dishes and utensils for six people
- The camp also includes seven RV camp sites. There are no service hook-ups, but water and a fully accessible outdoor biffy are available

8. PETS

Only registered assist animals are permitted at Agur Lake Camp. Owners will be required to provide evidence of the animal's certification as a registered assist animal.

9. MEALS

Each cabin has a fully-equipped kitchen for participants and volunteers, if they like to prepare their own meals. In addition, communal meals will be offered, to encourage social interaction and share experiences.

- Dinner: Evening meals will be offered at the camp's covered pavilion, with a chili cookout on Friday night and a BBQ on Saturday night. Vegetarian and vegan options will be available, upon request.
- Lunch: Picnic lunches will be available for participants and volunteers, providing flexibility of timing and can be eaten at the picnic area pavilion, at one's cabin, by the lake, or on a hike.
- Breakfast: Participants and volunteers will be responsible for providing their own breakfast on Saturday and Sunday.

10. PERSONAL ITEMS

Personal items are the responsibility of each individual. Volunteers should bring:

- All personal needs, including clothing and footwear for an active weekend in the outdoors, water gear if desired
- A personal first aid kit
- Bedding, towels, dish cloths, etc. (there are no laundry facilities at the camp)
- Two flashlights, for emergencies and at night. There are no trail lights.
- Warm clothing for cool mornings and evenings, the temperature can be 10 degrees cooler than Summerland.
- Bug spray, sunblock, etc.

11. REFERENCES

All volunteers are required to provide two references from current or prior employers or volunteer organizations. This information will be kept confidential.

12. INSURANCE

Participants and volunteers are covered under the general insurance of the Agur Lake Camp Society and the British Columbia Mobility Opportunities Society.

Participants and volunteers must sign a liability waiver and a personal image release form before taking part in the event. This waiver confirms that the individual is aware of the inherent dangers and risk associated with the activities.

13. EMERGENCIES

If an individual becomes injured or ill during the event then a qualified person will carry out appropriate action. They will administer the level of care that is required and will phone all necessary parties involved.

Participant's Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Medical Waiver, Assumptions of Risks and Indemnity and Image Consent

By signing this document, you will waive certain legal rights including the right to sue. Please read carefully.

ASSUMPTION OF RISKS

I AM AWARE THAT THERE IS POTENTIAL RISK FOR PERSONAL INJURY INVOLVED IN PARTICIPATION IN ANY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. I freely accept and fully assume all such risks, dangers and hazards, including the possibility of personal injury (including but not limited to: **bumps, bruises, cuts, scrapes, concussion, broken bones, infections, abrasions, and hypothermia**), death and/or property loss resulting from my participation in this BCMOS activity.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of approval to participate in BCMOS activities, I hereby agree as follows:

- _____ **Initial** **TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS** that I have or may in the future have against BCMOS, its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, other participants and partner organizations (Sam Sullivan Disability Foundation and its affiliated societies, City of Vancouver and Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation) all of whom are hereinafter collectively referred to as "The Releasees";
- _____ **Initial** **TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES** from any and all liability for any loss, damage, injury or expense that I suffer, or my next of kin may suffer as a result of my participation in this activity due to any cause whatsoever **INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE.** I acknowledge my responsibility to ensure adequate medical, personal health, dental and accident insurance coverage, as well as protection of my personal possessions;
- _____ **Initial** **TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES** from any and all liability for any damage to property of, or personal injury to, any third party resulting from my participation in BCMOS activities;
- _____ **Initial** This 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;
- _____ **Initial** In entering into this Agreement, I am not relying upon any oral or written representations or statements made by the Releasees other than what is set forth in this Agreement;
- _____ **Initial** I grant permission to BCMOS and/or their designates to proceed in any manner they deem necessary in the case of medical emergency involving myself (or my child/ward). I am releasing the right for this information to be shared with BCMOS volunteers, staff, and/or medical staff who are in contact or responsible for my (or my child / ward's) participation in the program;
- _____ **Initial** BCMOS and/or their designates often take photographs/videos of participants and staff while programs are operating. These pictures may be used for promotional purposes, training, and public education. I give my permission for photographs/videos to be taken of myself / my child / ward, and for these to be subsequently published.

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

Date: _____

Volunteer Signature: _____ **Print Name:** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Print Name:** _____
(If volunteer is under 19 years of age)

Witness: _____ **Print Name:** _____

IF YOU ARE SIGNING FOR SOMEONE 19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, DO YOU HAVE LEGAL COMMITTEESHIP or a REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT IN PLACE? Yes No **INITIALS** _____