

Yucatan Outdoors

Acknowledgment of Risk and Release Liability

We, the staff of Yucatan Outdoors (YO), look forward to having you, your child or your family member join us for a program experience on the most wild and remote places of the Yucatan Peninsula and/or at our YO campus. On these two pages, you will find important information about YO, our activities and the potential risks involved in participation. Please read this information carefully, ask us any questions you might have and do not sign this agreement if you do not want to be exposed to these activities!

Yucatan Outdoors is a specialist adventure travel company offering inspiring wilderness and cultural experiences in the most remote and beautiful regions of the Yucatan Peninsula since 2010. We provide outdoor adventure programs for people of all ages and abilities. We offer activities and programs for groups and individuals throughout the year. All activities are structured to address the specific goals and abilities of our explorers.

Our mission is to provide inspiring, outstanding and high quality nature and cultural expeditions which benefit the local environment and the communities in which we work.

Our primary purpose is to immerse you in the wonders and joys of nature. You will find incredibly meaningful encounters with the wild world.

All activities offered are designed to pose an appropriate level of challenge for our explorers.

Please know that participation in YO activities involve risk. These risks will be greater than most people encounter in their daily lives, which is what YO is all about. Providing high quality programs in a risk-managed environment is a priority at the YO. We cannot eliminate all risks in adventure activities such as kayaking, camping, hiking or most of the activities that we do. These activities can cause injury and even serious injury. As with any outdoor adventure, under rare circumstances, the activity can even result in death.

It is of utmost importance to us that you do not engage in activities that could be detrimental to your health or which is opposed by you, your family, or your doctor due to illness, injury, physical or mental infirmity, or any other health/medical condition that you may have, whether diagnosed or undiagnosed.

To help us manage these risks it is very important that you follow all directions given by YO staff and you ask questions whenever a procedure or activity is unclear to you. If you are currently taking prescription medications, including medical marijuana or other alternative therapies, it is imperative that these medications be disclosed in your confidential medical form. Use of, or being under the influence of alcohol or judgment affecting drugs while participating in adventure activities, is strictly prohibited.

We believe that it is in everyone's best interest that risks are disclosed, understood, and assumed prior to participation at YO. After you have reviewed both sides of this Acknowledgement of Risk and Release of Liability Form and if you understand and agree with its contents, please sign and initial in the designated places on both pages. If you are the parent or legal guardian of an explorer, again please read both sides of this form and if you both agree and understand their content, place YOUR signature and initials in the designated places on both pages.

If you have any questions or comments about the level of risk at the YO, please do not hesitate to contact us. We welcome your questions, suggestions and feedback.

Sincerely,

The YO Staff

I have read the above information
Explorer or Parent/Guardian

(Name and signature)



In consideration of being allowed to participate in Yucatan Outdoors (YO) programs, and related events and activities, or serve as staff or volunteer for the same, I, and/or the minor explorer, and/or the person for which I am legal guardian, the undersigned hereby understand and agree to the following:

1. I understand that although YO has taken precautions to provide proper organization, supervision, instruction and equipment for each course, it is impossible for YO to guarantee absolute safety. Also, I understand that I share the responsibility for safety during all activities, and I accept that responsibility. I will make my instructors aware of any questions or concerns I might have regarding my understanding of safety standards, guidelines, procedures and my ability to participate at any point during any activity.
2. I understand that risks during outdoor programs include, but are not limited to, loss or damage to personal property, injury, permanent disability, mental anguish, exposure to inclement weather, slipping, falling, insect or animal bites, vehicle accidents, being struck by falling objects, collisions with other parties, immersion in cold water, hypothermia (cold exposure), hyperthermia (heat exposure), lightning, severe social or economic losses that may result from any such incident and even death. I also understand that such accidents or illnesses may occur in remote areas without easy access to medical facilities or while traveling to and from the activity sites. Further, there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
3. I agree that prior to participation, I will inspect, to the best of my ability, the facilities and equipment to be used. If I believe anything is unsafe, I will immediately advise YO staff of such condition and refuse to participate.
4. I assume all the foregoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages due to such injury, permanent disability or death resulting from participating in any YO activity.

I hereby release the YO, its successors, representatives, assigns, Board of Directors, volunteers, employees, officers and other participants from any and all claims, demands, and causes of action, whether resulting from negligence or otherwise, of every nature and in conjunction with a YO activity.

PARTICIPANT'S PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

If the participant is a minor and/or has a legal guardian:

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

In addition, the YO requests your permission on two other matters:

5. GRANT PERMISSION TO OBTAIN MEDICAL TREATMENT ON MY BEHALF

Should I, or the person for whom I am the legal guardian, become injured or ill, I give permission for YO Program Staff to render first-aid and to seek emergency medical or rescue services as they see fit, and at my cost. (Please note: We recommend that all YO explorers be covered by personal health insurance. If medical care for injury, pre-existing condition or any other reason is required during a YO adventure, the explorer's personal health insurance will be primary.)

_____ (Initial to accept)

7. GRANT PERMISSION TO TAKE AND DISPLAY IMAGES

I hereby give my permission to Yucatan Outdoors (YO), and any person designated by YO, to make photographs and other recordings of myself, and I consent to publishing and/or displaying of such recordings as the YO deems fit for the sole purpose of promotion of the YO.

_____ (Initial to accept)

