Voluntary Release, Acknowledgement and Acceptance of Risks by Participant
Canoe and Kayak Rental

In order to participate in this activity, I agree to hold the City of Austin, teachers, or staff harmless, and I waive any right to make claims or lawsuits against them. I acknowledge that this is not an essential service provided by the city of Austin.

I understand and acknowledge that the activities that I am about to voluntarily engage in as a participant have certain risks. I understand that these risks known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated may also result in injury, death, illness, disease or damage to me or my property or other third parties. I voluntarily agree and promise to accept and assume all responsibilities and injuries, death, illness, disease or damage to me or my property arising from my participation in this activity.

This waiver does not apply to any injuries or damages that are the result of willful, wanton or intentional misconduct. My participation in this activity is voluntary and no one is forcing me to participate in spite of the risks. I understand the effect of this waiver and acceptance of risk on my legal rights.

My signature on the “Canoe/Kayak Rental form” indicates that I have read this entire document, understand it completely, acknowledge that it cannot be modified or changed in any way by oral representations, and agree to be bound by its terms. This agreement shall be binding on behalf of myself, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate.

Participant signature: ___________________________________________ Phone #: ______________________________

If participant is under 18 years old, this release must be co-signed by a parent or guardian.

PARENT/GUARDIAN (Print Name): ___________________________ PARENT/GUARDIAN (Signature): ___________________________

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**CANOE/KAYAK RENTAL- MAXIMUM RENTAL TIME: 3 HOURS**

I agree to abide by the regulations described hereafter, and understand that the failure to comply will result in the revocation of my rental rights.

Canoes and Kayaks are to be used only on Dobbins Creek downstream from the Nature Center dock and above the dam at East Side Lake or on the JCHNC pond. Keep at least 50 feet away from the dam! Minimum age is 18 without adult supervision.

We have purchased quality equipment... please use it accordingly. Maintain a canoe’s length between canoes always; paddle blade should make contact with water only; lifejackets must be worn at all times. **The canoe/kayak renter is responsible for taking the canoe/kayak to the water access point and returning it to the Nature Center maintenance shed. The Nature Center will provide a canoe/kayak transport cart if available.**

Equipment issued to each canoe will consist of no more than two adult life-vests and two child’s life-vests (or three adult vests), and three paddles. Maximum weight should be less than approximately 550 pounds for canoes, 275 pounds for individual kayaks and 525-625 pounds for tandem kayaks.

**Rental Fee is $10.00 for up to three hours on the pond or on Dobbins Creek to East Side Lake.** I understand that my Drivers’ License/State issued ID will be held as a security deposit during the rental duration and will be returned upon return and payment of all rented equipment.

I further agree to be held responsible for the equipment rented while in my care and understand that I may be held liable for its repair or replacement if damaged or lost through my negligence.

All canoes and kayaks must be returned to the maintenance shed by 4:45 pm. Failure to return the canoes or kayaks by this time will result in a $20.00 additional fee.

_________________________    ___________    ________    ___________    ________    __________________
Renter's Signature                      Date                     N.C. Staff Person               Date

**EQUIPMENT OUT: Number of Canoes ______ Number of Kayaks ______ Jackets___________**

**Paddles_________**

**TIME OUT: ___________**

**TIME IN: ___________**

**AMOUNT PAID: _______**

1= OK  4= Cracked  7= Puncture

2= Wet  5= Split  8= Other (Explain)

3= Dirty  6= Scrapped

**PUNCH PASS________**

**CONDITION ON RETURN:**

Canoes ______

Jackets ______

Paddles ______

Name________________________________________________________________________

Address_______________________________________________________________________

Phone Number _________________________________________________________________