

# PEAK 7 LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS PARTICIPANT CONTRACT

## Zero Tolerance Policy

There will be zero tolerance for any physical violence or sexual misconduct while on the course.

## Disciplinary Action

Peak 7 strives to demonstrate grace and forgiveness, however, when deemed necessary disciplinary actions will be taken to ensure safety and preserve quality of program for all participants. In the case where a law was broken parents will be notified and there will be the possibility of law enforcement involvement. Physical violence or sexual misconduct toward another participant, Peak 7 staff or volunteer will result in immediate evacuation at the expense of the participant or participant's legal guardian. All other disciplinary action will be fitting to the infraction and will be documented with incident by the instructor or guide.

Any consistent infractions of our behavioral expectations will be documented and may result in a dismissal from the course.

## Search of Personal Belongings

Peak 7 reserves the right to search personal belongs of participants while on the course. If a guide has reason to suspect the participant is in possession of any weapon, illegal substance or product that violates Peak 7's policies the guide may search the participants belongings.

## Background Check

Any participant who will be 18 or older before the end of the course will be required to complete a background check. There is an additional \$20 fee to cover the cost of the background check. Failure to pass a background check could result in dismissal from the course with a full refund (minus the background check fee).

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

## Evacuation Policy

Peak 7 Staff will make the decision to evacuate a participant from the course. Refunds for medical evacuations will be on a case by case basis. Voluntary and behavioral evacuations will be at the expense of the participant or their legal guardian. No refund will be issued for voluntary or behavioral evacuations. The emergency contact listed on the participant's waiver will be the one responsible for the participant in the case of an evacuation. If that person is not going to be available for a portion of the summer they must notify Peak 7 staff of a temporary emergency contact.

## Participant Release and Agreement

I \_\_\_\_\_ (participant or parent/guardian of a minor participant) have read, understand, and agree to all the terms listed in this form. I will review all course materials sent, and will complete any pre-course material given.

\_\_\_\_\_ By signing here, I, the parent or legal guardian accept these policies and terms, and give my consent for \_\_\_\_\_ (Participant name) to join this course.

\_\_\_\_\_ By signing here, I, the participant, accept these policies and terms.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Commitment to Safety**

## **Inherent Risk**

Safety is our top priority, however there is inherent risk in these activities. During this course participants will have the opportunity to participate in activities where they must accept responsibility for themselves and their actions. This course is instructionally based and is designed to give participants the skills to mitigate risks in the outdoors and opportunity to practice and apply the skills they have learned.

## **Supervision**

During the course Peak 7 cannot guarantee full supervision of all participants at all times. Participants will have the opportunity to participate in solo times while on the course, which are designed for students to be alone for an extended period of time to process what they have learned. Students are, however, expected to stay with the group at all times unless otherwise instructed by a guide.

## **Communication**

Peak 7 utilizes multiple means of communication including various forms of satellite communication to ensure guides will be communicate in case of an emergency. While groups are in the backcountry we require guides to check in daily with their satellite communication device.

## **Cell Phone Use**

Participants will have limited access to their cell phones. Cell phone use will be allowed while on the adventures for pictures only. Between adventures participants will be allowed to make calls and send texts, but use will be limited. The guides reserve the right to take away cell phones privileges for the group or participant if it is deemed detrimental to the participant or group's experience. Phones out on trips always have the risk of being damaged or lost. Even in cases, phones have the potential to be damaged. Peak 7 is not responsible for any lost, damaged or stolen phones.

## **Behavioral Expectations of Participants**

During the course it is expected of participants to listen to and respect the rules and standards set by their guides at all times. Participants are expected to take care of themselves, their belongings, and any gear they borrow from Peak 7. Participants will be instructed in and expected to adhere to Leave No Trace principals.

Students are expected to act respectfully toward guides and other students at all times. Students are expected to act in a way that helps develop trust and encourages openness amongst the group.

This course is designed to be physically challenging and push students past their perceived limits. Students are expected to face these challenges with a willingness to learn and grow. It is expected that students demonstrate a level of endurance and grit and face challenges with a positive attitude.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_