

PARTICIPANT WAIVER, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNIFICATION

In consideration of Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc., dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors, furnishing services and/or equipment to participate in the activities or events I understand, acknowledge and agree that:

- 1.) **THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT INHERENT RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH MY PARTICIPATION IN WHITEWATER RAFTING ACTIVITIES**, both known and unknown, including, but not limited to drowning, hypothermia, fractures, partial or complete paralysis, injuries from being thrown from the boat, being struck by branches or overhanging tree limbs, river obstructions, foot entrapment in rocks in the river bed, paddle blows, bee stings, or animal bites, and disease, any of which could cause serious disability or death. The risks and dangers may be caused by the negligence of Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc, dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors, the United States of America, TVA, Ocoee River Outfitters Association, Inc., the state of Tennessee, and/or their owners, directors, officers, representatives, agents, leasers, guides & employees; the negligence of the participants, negligence of others, accidents, forces of nature, or other causes. The risks and dangers may arise from guide or personnel decision-making, including, but not limited to that a guide or other personnel may misjudge terrain, weather, river conditions, water levels, and river navigation routes, as well as other risks, hazards, and dangers, both known and unknown, that are inherent to the recreational activities.
- 2.) **I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND DANGERS, AND HAZARDS, both known and unknown, AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY LOSSES AND/OR DAMAGES EVEN IF THEY ARE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASES OR OTHERS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATALI OUTDOOR SYSTEMS, INC., DBA CAROLINA OCOEE OUTDOORS, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY, OCOEE RIVER OUTFITTERS ASSOCIATION, INC., THE STATE OF TENNESSEE and/or by any other person or entity, and I ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY PARTICIPATION.**
- 3.) I willingly agree to comply with terms and conditions for participation. I certify that any child participating is at least 12 years of age; I am not, and will not be under the influence of drugs or alcohol on the premises or during my participation; I will wear my life jacket properly fastened, and closely fitted at all times on or near the river, I will inspect all rafting equipment and I will use only equipment in good condition during and for this expedition, and if I observe any significant hazard during my participation, I will remove myself from participation, and report it to the managers as quickly as possible. I will accept full financial responsibility for any damage to, or loss of rafting equipment while it is in my possession or control. I understand that whitewater rafting is a very strenuous physical, emotional, and mental activity and that I am in adequate physical and mental condition and that I have no limitations to my participation in the sport. I agree that I will be traveling on my own on the river without the support or supervision of Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc. dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors, and agree that this endeavor is not a joint venture but that it is and shall be considered an individual participation in the sport, and that there are no lifeguards on the river. I grant Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc, dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors permission to use my photographs.
- 4.) I agree that I will be obligated and responsible for a \$100,000.00 penalty fee which I, agree to be assessed automatically against me in the event that I or my respective heirs, assigns, personal agents or beneficiaries institute or attempt to seek legal recourse against any party, person, or entity unto which this document is given. I agree that the venue for any dispute that may arise out of this agreement to which Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc. dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors, Inc. or its agents as a party shall be in Polk County, Tennessee.
- 5.) I agree that each item of the contract stands independently, and that if one item should be ruled against by a member of a legal court, all the others items will remain effective.
- 6.) I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives, and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, HOLD HARMLESS, DEFEND AND INDEMNIFY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE TVA, THE STATE OF TENNESSEE AND ATALI OUTDOOR SYSTEMS, INC, DBA CAROLINA OCOEE OUTDOORS**, its owners, directors, officers, representatives, agents, guides, and employees, and other participants, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable owners and leasers or premises used to conduct the event (RELEASEES), from any and all claims, actions, demands, losses, and/or liability arising out of or related to any **INJURY, DISABILITY OR DEATH** I may suffer, or loss or damage to person or property, **WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE**, that I may have presently or in the future to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 7.) **I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND THAT I AM RELEASING, DISCHARGING, AND WAIVING ANY CLAIMS OR ACTIONS THAT I MAY HAVE PRESENTLY OR IN THE FUTURE** for the negligent acts or other conduct by the owners, directors, officers, representatives, agents, guides and/or employees, or associates of the United States of America, TVA, the state of Tennessee and Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc, dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors. **I AGREE TO TRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE TENURE OF THE ACTIVITY AT MY OWN RISK. IT IS MY INTENTION TO EXEMPT, RELIEVE, HOLD HARMLESS, AND INDEMNIFY** The United States Government, TVA, the state of Tennessee, and Atali Outdoor Systems, Inc., dba Carolina Ocoee Outdoors, their owners, agents, officers, employees, leasers and associates (RELEASEES) **FROM LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR ANY OTHER CAUSE, AND I SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

Participants Signature (SEAL)	Date	Print Name	Age
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For parents/guardians of participant of minor age (under age 18 at time of registration):
 This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, personal agents, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liability incidents to my minor child's involvement or participation in these activities or programs as provided above, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES**, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Parent/Guardian Signature (SEAL)	Date	Emergency Phone
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Office Use: Date: _____ Trip Time: _____ Trip#: _____ Guides: _____

