

British Columbia Mountaineering Club

Youth Membership Application / Renewal Form

Name: _____

RENEWAL (Choose between printed or electronic BCMC publications)

<input type="checkbox"/> \$20 ¹ Electronic	Youth (under 19yrs; Youth waiver form required)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 ^{1,2} Printed	
<input type="checkbox"/> \$_____	Donation

Change of address / phone / e-mail (Please PRINT)

Street	_____
City, Province	_____
Postal Code	_____
Phone	_____
e-mail	_____

Newsletter Preferences (Check all that apply / Default is electronic only):

BCMC Newsletter: None **FMCBC Cloudburst** Electronic Paper (mail) None

NEW MEMBERSHIP (Choose between printed or electronic BCMC publications)

<input type="checkbox"/> \$20 ^{1,3} Electronic	Youth (under 19yrs; Youth waiver form required)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 ^{1,2,3} Printed	
<input type="checkbox"/> \$800 (Electronic or printed)	Lifetime membership
<input type="checkbox"/> \$_____	Donation

Address (Please PRINT legibly in CAPITAL LETTERS)

Street	_____
City, Province	_____
Postal Code	_____
Phone	_____
e-mail	_____

Newsletter Preferences (Check all that apply / Default is electronic only):

BCMC Newsletter: None **FMCBC Cloudburst:** Electronic Paper (mail) None

Areas of knowledge or expertise:	<input type="checkbox"/> Backcountry Skiing <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing (Class 4 and up)
Willing to help with:	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain cabins/trails <input type="checkbox"/> Club Committees <input type="checkbox"/> Phoning Members <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

Each applicant must complete the waiver form (pages three and four of this document)

Take the time to read the waiver. A completed waiver (dated, legibly printed names of Parent(s)/Guardian(s), youth applicant and witness, and signatures by a Parent(s)/Guardian(s), youth applicant and witness) is required to participate in Club activities.

Membership Fee Notes:

- ¹**FMCBC fee rebate:** If you belong to more than one club that also belongs to the FMCBC, you are entitled to request a fee rebate from the FMCBC (send email to: admin.manager@mountainclubs.org) so that you are only paying the \$15 FMCBC fee once.
- ²**Printed Material:** Includes monthly BCMC Newsletter (not published in Jul/Aug) and bi-annual BCMC Mountaineer journal.
- ³**Membership is from October 1st to September 30th.** Dues are pro-rated quarterly for NEW MEMBERS ONLY as follows: After December 31: \$18.50 (\$23.50), after March 31: \$17.00 (\$22.00), after June 30: \$25.50 (\$20.50) (Value in brackets represents fees for those who wish to receive printed versions of the BCMC newsletter)

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PRIVACY INFORMATION: Very Important – Please Read!

Your personal information: The BCMC *does not* rent, sell, or share personal information about you with any other companies, organizations or clubs EXCEPT THAT your name and address (and email address if you selected the “electronic” version of Cloudburst or other FMCBC electronic news) is given to the Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC (www.mountainclubs.bc.ca) – an umbrella organization representing outdoor clubs throughout BC. All members of the BCMC automatically become members of the FMCBC, and are entered on the distribution list of their twice-yearly newsletter *Cloudburst* and any other electronic news the FMCBC might offer. The FMCBC does not make your personal information available to any other organizations.

Online Member Listings: Your contact information (address and phone number) are visible in the *members only* section of the BCMC Website (www.bcmc.ca). Other members may log in to the website and view this information to contact you for club related activities.

Printed Member Listings: Your contact information (address and phone number) as well as the year you joined the club, and your membership type, are listed in a Membership List circulated once a year, *to club members only*, with the club’s Newsletter.

E-mail information: **Your e-mail address is NEVER visible to other members on the BCMC Website.** However, other members may send you messages by e-mail via an online form. They will never know your e-mail address *unless you reply* to them.

You may restrict these uses of your contact information below. Please note that by restricting these uses of your contact information, it becomes more difficult for other members to contact you for legitimate club purposes.

- Do not permit other members of the BCMC to access my contact information online.
- Do not list my information in the annual printed Membership List.
- Do not permit other members of the BCMC to contact me by e-mail.

Comments:

If you have any other comments regarding your membership, club activities, etc. please enter them below.

Please send dues and completed form with signed waiver to:

The Membership Chair, BCMC
P.O. Box 2674
Vancouver BC V6B 3W8

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Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumptions of Risks and Indemnity Agreement

**By signing this agreement you are waiving certain legal rights,
including the right to sue or claim compensation following an accident**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

To: British Columbia Mountaineering Club

ASSUMPTION OF RISKS

We, the parent(s) or guardian(s) of _____ (name of youth) (the "Youth") and Youth, collectively referred to as "Releasees", are aware that mountaineering, rock climbing, ice climbing, backpacking, hiking, backcountry skiing, telemarking, touring, snowboarding, snowshoeing and all other such activities (collectively referred to as "Wilderness Activities"), involve many risks, dangers and hazards including, but not limited to: rockfall, icefall, avalanches of snow, ice and rock triggered by natural forces, by persons travelling through the terrain or other causes; hidden or exposed earth, rocks, boulders, ice, logs, stumps, forest deadfall, treewells, trees and other objects; concealed or exposed crevasses, icebridges or bergschrunds; cornices and cornice falls; cliffs; variations in snow or ice conditions, including unstable snow packs or ice; ungroomed, unmarked and uncontrolled terrain; exposed or concealed holes or depressions in the snow pack; still and moving water; limited visibility; variable, severe or rapidly changing weather; hypothermia; frostbite; loss of balance or control and falls, particularly on steep or difficult terrain; errors of judgment; lack of preparation; inadequate or inappropriate equipment; equipment failure, malfunction or loss; failure to act safely or within one's ability; impact or collision with other persons; encounters with domestic or wild animals; becoming lost, going off route or becoming separated from one's party; remote locations with no or unreliable communication and inability to get rescue or medical assistance quickly or easily; dangerous driving conditions and travel over poor roads; negligence of other mountaineers, climbers, backpackers, hikers, skiers, snowboarders, snowshoers, drivers, snowmobilers and others; and, **negligence on the part of the British Columbia Mountaineering Club, its directors, officers, agents, members, organizers, coordinators, assistants, representatives and all persons acting under its authority (collectively the "BCMC"), including the failure on the part of the BCMC to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect the Youth from the risks, dangers and hazards of Wilderness Activities.**

WE, THE RELEASEES, ARE AWARE OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES AND FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH OF THE YOUTH, OR DAMAGE TO AND LOSS OF THE YOUTH'S PROPERTY OR EQUIPMENT RESULTING THEREFROM.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The organizer or coordinator of a Club trip or activity is not a professional mountaineer, guide or trained first aid attendant. The function of the organizer or coordinator is only to organize the trip, ensure it gets underway and be familiar or have knowledge of the access to the area, the route or routes. Participants on a club trip or activity are responsible for their own safety and are expected to have the necessary skills, experience, fitness, suitable first aid supplies and appropriate equipment in good working order.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of the BCMC allowing the Youth to join the BCMC, to use Club cabins, or to participate in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC including, but not limited to, club trips, camps, expeditions, courses or programs involving Wilderness Activities, we, the Releasees, hereby agree as follows:

Initials of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Initials of Youth Participant

1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that the Youth has or may have in the future against the BCMC and TO RELEASE THE BCMC from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense, or injury including death that the Youth may suffer, or that the Youth's heirs, next of kin and guardian may suffer, resulting from or in connection with the Youth's membership in the BCMC, the Youth's use of Club cabins or the Youth's participation in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC, including activities or programs involving Wilderness Activities, DUE TO ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, OR BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE UNDER THE **OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT**, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 337, OR ANY APPLICABLE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY LEGISLATION, ON THE PART OF THE BCMC, AND ALSO INCLUDING THE FAILURE OF THE BCMC TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT THE YOUTH FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS REFERRED TO ABOVE.

2. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the BCMC from any and all liability for any damage to property or personal injury to any third party, resulting from any aspect of the Youth's membership in the BCMC, the Youth's use of Club cabins or the Youth's participation in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC;

3. This Agreement shall be effective and binding upon the Youth's heirs, next of kin, guardians, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives, in the event of the Youth's death or incapacity;

4. This Agreement and any rights, duties and obligations as between the parties to this Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted solely in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and no other jurisdictions; and

5. Any litigation involving the parties of this Agreement shall be brought solely within the Province of British Columbia and shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of the Province of British Columbia.

In entering into this Agreement, we, the Releasees, are not relying upon any oral or written representations or statements made by the BCMC with respect to the safety of Wilderness Activities, Club cabins and any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC, other than what is set forth in this Agreement.

WE, THE RELEASEES, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND ARE AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT WE ARE WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH THE YOUTH OR YOUTH'S HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, GUARDIANS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, ASSIGNS AND REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE AGAINST THE BCMC.

Date: _____

Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Signature of Witness

Print Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Print Name of Witness
(As to all signatures)

Signature of Youth Participant

Print Name of Youth Participant

Date of birth of Youth Participant (YYYY-MM-DD)