### **SPECIAL EVENTS WAIVER**

# Espanola Ski Club Ltd. RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE OR GIVE UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE OR TO CLAIM COMPENSATION FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT

## PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

SIGNATURE

Name	Last			First		Initial	
Address	Street					Apt#	
	City		Prov/State		Code/Zip		
Birthdate	Year	Month		Day	Age	Male/Female	
Local address					Local phone		

TO: Espanola Ski Club Ltd. and THE SPECIAL EVENTS SPONSORS and their directors, officers, employees, agents, guides, independent contractors, subcontractors, sponsors, successors, assigns and representatives (all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "the Releasees").

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

In this Agreement:

- (a) the term "Special Events Sponsor" shall include any individual, corporation, association, institution, or organization that is associated with a Special Event as an organizer, promoter, sponsor or advertiser;
- (b) the term "Special Events" shall include any activity which is organized, conducted or sponsored by the Releasees and shall include, but is not limited to, races, competitions, demonstrations and other such events or activities;

## **ASSUMPTION OF RISKS**

I am aware that skiing, snowboarding, cycling, mountain bike travel and mountain bike racing and participating in Special Events involve many inherent risks, dangers and hazards including, but not limited to: boarding, riding and disembarking ski lifts; bicycle equipment failure; changing weather conditions; exposed rock, earth, ice, or other natural objects; trees, tree wells, tree stumps and forest dead fall; the condition of snow or ice on or beneath the snow surface; changes or variation in the terrain used for skiing, snowboarding and Special Events which may create blind spots or areas of reduced visibility; changes or variations in the snow surface or subsurface, including changes due to man-made or artificial snow; variable and difficult snow conditions; streams, creeks and exposed holes in the snow pack above streams or creeks; cliffs; crevasses; impact or collision with lift structures, fences, snow making equipment, snow grooming equipment, snowcats, snowmobiles and other vehicles, equipment, structures, or objects or equipment used in connection with skiing, snowboarding, cycling, mountain bike travel, mountain bike racing and Special Events; snowcat roads, road-banks or cut-banks; impact or collision with other skiers, cyclers, racers, spectators, participants, competitors, course officials; avalanches; the failure to ski, snowboard, cycle safely or within one's own ability or within designated areas; negligence of other skiers, cyclists, racers, spectators, participants, competitors, course officials; and NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES INCLUDING THE FAILURE BY THE RELEASEES TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH SPECIAL EVENTS. I am also aware that the risks, dangers and hazards referred to above exist throughout the area used for skiing, snowboarding, cycling, mountain bike travel, mountain bike racing and Special Events and that many are unmarked. I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE AND LOSS RESULTING THEREFROM.

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of the Releasees accepting my application to participate in Special Events and permitting my use of their ski lifts, ski runs and trails, terrain parks, cycling trails, cycling courses, race courses and other facilities (hereinafter the "skiing facilities"), I hereby agree as follows:

- 1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I have or may in the future have against THE RELEASEES, AND TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury including death that I may suffer, or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of my use of or my presence on the skiing facilities 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 OWED UNDER THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT RSO 1990, c.02 ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES, AND INCLUDING THE FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH SPECIAL EVENTS REFERRED TO ABOVE;
- 2. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any damage to property of, or personal injury to, any third party resulting from my use of or presence on the facilities;
- 3. This Agreement shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives, in the event of my 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 ON Special Events waiver that includes cycling.doc

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solely in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and no other jurisdiction; and

Any litigation involving the parties to this Agreement shall be brought solely within the Province of Ontario and shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of the Province of Ontario.

In entering into this Agreement I am not relying upon any oral or written representations or statements made by the Releasees other than what is set forth in this Agreement.

It is understood and agreed that this Agreement shall not apply in respect of injuries resulting from mechanical breakdown or failure of ski lifts, tows, or any related equipment.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, ASSIGNS AND REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES.

Signature of Witness	Signature of Participant
Print name clearly	Date
	Signature of Parent/Guardian if under 18 years of age

THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL, DATED AND SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANT, AND WITNESSED, BEFORE A PARTICIPANT WILL BE PERMITTED TO TAKE PART IN SPECIAL EVENTS