



## MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT FORM

Please fill out this form and mail it in with your membership fee. Our yearly membership rate is \$15. You will be notified by email when it is time to renew. Make check payable to: Women's Outdoor Network. Your membership will not become active until yearly dues are paid.

Mail to:  
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\_\_\_\_\_ (New Member)      \_\_\_\_\_ (Membership Renewal)      \_\_\_\_\_ (Address Change)

To join the Women's Outdoor Network or renew your membership, please read the following information and sign below:

The Women's Outdoor Network, Inc. operates strictly through volunteers. Participants must read and sign this "Voluntary Participation Form." This form releases anyone associated with the group from liability, and it states that participants agree to assume the responsibility of all risks associated with activities both known and unknown. Participants recognize that all leaders are volunteers and participants attend voluntarily. Please read the following and sign below:

### WON POLICIES

WON does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national or ethnic background, relationship status, sexual orientation, or disability. All women eighteen years of age and older are welcome as members. Men are welcome on some, but not all trips.

Safety and respect for others is a priority. Each individual is personally responsible for conducting themselves in a manner that is respectful to others and places safety above all else. With that in mind, WON, Inc. has zero tolerance for drug abuse (prescription or otherwise) or alcohol consumption that jeopardizes the physical safety of any participant, including themselves, while participating in activities that require full physical and mental engagement. Furthermore, outing participants must affirm to have the level of skill required to safely participate in and complete the specific activity(ies).

WON activities may not be profit-making ventures for either WON, Inc. or activity leaders. All WON activities and events are NO SMOKING. Please respect your fellow members by refraining from smoking in or around functions being held.

### PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in any Women's Outdoor Network (herein after called WON) program, trip or other activity, including, but not limited to hiking, camping, swimming, scuba diving, snorkeling, biking, rollerblading, back packing, flag football, bocce, tennis, golf, tubing, caving, zip-lining, rock and wall climbing, whitewater rafting, kayaking, or canoeing, I agree as follows and, I fully understand and acknowledge that:

(a) outdoor recreational activities have inherent risks, dangers and hazards and such hazards exist by virtue of my participation in such outdoor recreational activities and the use of various equipment in connection with such activities as well as risks that may be encountered in transit to and from various venues where such activities may take place;

(b) outdoor recreational activities have hazards which may result from activities associated with strenuous outdoor activities, including, but not limited to, injury or death from personal limitations, falling, hypothermia, drowning, rock falls, snake or insect bites, lightning strikes, equipment failure, weather conditions, or errors of trip leaders or other participants or third parties;

(c) my participation in such activities and/or use of such equipment may result in injury or illness including, but not limited to bodily injury, disease, strains, fractures, partial and/or total paralysis, death or other ailments that could cause serious or permanent disability;

(d) outdoor recreational activities have risks and dangers which may be caused by the negligence of trip leaders, participants, officers, directors, executive committee members, or members of WON; the negligence of others outside WON; accidents; the forces of nature or other causes; and

(e) by my participation in these activities and/or use of equipment, I hereby assume all risks and dangers both known and unknown and all responsibility for any losses and/or damages, whether caused in whole or in part by the negligence or other conduct of the members, agents, officers, trip leaders, or directors of WON, or by any other person.

I, on behalf of myself, my personal representatives and my heirs, hereby voluntarily agree to forever release, waive, discharge, hold harmless, defend and indemnify WON and its members, officers and directors from any and all claims, actions or losses for bodily injury, property damage, wrongful death, loss of service or otherwise which may arise out of my participation in the various outdoor recreational activities that may be sponsored, directed, organized or otherwise sanctioned by WON. I also accept and assume the inherent risks of participating in these outdoor activities both known and unknown.

I understand that the various members, trip leaders and other participants in the various outdoor activities undertaken by WON may, from time to time, take photographs, slides, films or videos during such activities and that such photographs, slides, films or videos may appear in various promotional materials, newsletters, the WON website, advertisements, or presentations, and I consent to the use of my image. WON, its members, officers and directors assume no liability in the disclosure or dissemination of such images, and I expressly covenant to hold harmless and release WON, its members, officers and directors from all liability in regard to such disclosure or dissemination.

I understand that WON does not condone excessive drinking, use of narcotics or other controlled substances, or any other illegal activity, and that I may incur civil and/or criminal penalties for violation of applicable laws, park rules or WON policies. I understand that I may bring only necessary items to WON events and that firearms, fireworks or other dangerous items are strictly prohibited.

I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and possess the appropriate physical conditioning and stamina for the activity that I am participating in. I assume all responsibility for determining whether or not a particular activity or trip is appropriate for my current level of fitness and conditioning. I understand that my participation in an activity that is beyond my physical limitations may cause harm and inconvenience to myself and others. I assume responsibility for advising the trip leader of any medical condition that may affect, or be affected by, my participation in such activities. I intend to participate in WON activities in the spirit of good will, discretion and mutual respect.

This agreement shall be construed by the laws of the State of Georgia and any dispute that may arise out of it, or otherwise between the parties shall be governed by the laws of the State of Georgia.

Should WON or anyone acting on their behalf, be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify and hold them harmless for all such fees and costs.

I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may cause or suffer while participating, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage myself. I further certify that I am willing to assume the risk of any medical or physical condition I may have.

In the event that I file a lawsuit against WON, I agree to do so solely in the state of Georgia, and I further agree that the substantive law of Georgia shall apply in that action without regard to the conflict of law rules of that state. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining document shall remain in full force and effect.

I ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT A PARTICULAR ACTIVITY OR EVENT IS APPROPRIATE FOR MY CURRENT LEVEL OF FITNESS AND CONDITIONING. I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE AND BY SIGNING IT AGREE IT IS MY INTENTION TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE WOMEN'S OUTDOOR NETWORK FROM LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR ANY OTHER CAUSE. I AM AT LEAST EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER NO LEGAL DISABILITY.

**By signing below, I acknowledge that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged during my participation in any activity, I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against WON on the basis of any claim from which I have released them herein.**

**I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and I agree to be bound by its terms.**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

As a member of the Women's Outdoor Network, if you provide an e-mail address, you will automatically be added to our electronic mailing list. You will receive a weekly e-mail outlining the upcoming events.

Your Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Women's Outdoor Network: \_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

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Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of person receiving membership dues \_\_\_\_\_