

**ILACSD CLEANUP AND REI PADDLE DEMO  
ASSUMPTION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISKS AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT  
(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)**

In consideration of being allowed to participate in a cleanup and water sport events and activities and/or being provided with water sport recreational property or services, for myself, any minor children, and pets for whom I am parent, legal guardian or otherwise responsible, and for my heirs, personal representative or assigns:

I agree as follows: 1. I am volunteering my services for the ILACSD Cleanup and REI Paddle Demo ("the Event") on a voluntary basis without anticipation of payment of any kind; 2. I will perform assigned tasks that are within my physical capability to the best of my ability, and I will not undertake tasks that are beyond my ability; 3. I am familiar with the safe operation and use of equipment and tools that I may utilize in connection with this volunteer activity, and I will not undertake to use any equipment or tool with which I am unfamiliar or do not know how to operate safely; 4. I acknowledge that I have received and read appropriate instruction regarding this Event, including appropriate safety and emergency procedures, and that I fully understand those instructions and that I agree, after proper inspection, to use only the supplies, tools and equipment provided by the Event organizers; 5. I will perform only those tasks assigned, observe all safety rules, and use care in the performance of my assignments; 6. I acknowledge that ILACSD and REI will be taking photographs of the Event and Event participants, that ILACSD and REI may use said photographs for promotional materials and other operational activities freely and without any compensation or further notice; 7. I specifically acknowledge that I am engaging in this activity as a volunteer, at my own request and risk, and not as an ILACSD or REI employee, agent, official, officer, or representative, and further acknowledge that I am not entitled to any compensation, benefit, or insurance coverage from ILACSD, REI, or any Event promoter or sponsor, nor will I make any such claim.

I understand and agree that neither ILACSD, REI, nor any of their sponsors, donors, officers, directors, employees, agents, or representatives (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Released Parties"), may be held liable or responsible in any way for any injury, death, or other damages to me or my family, heirs, or assigns that may occur as a result of my participation in this activity, or as a result of product liability or the negligence of any party, including Released Parties, whether passive or active.

**I. Acknowledgement of Risks.** I/we acknowledge that some, but not all, of the risks of participating in the water sport activity include (a) changing water flow, tides, currents, wave action and ships' wakes; (b) collision with any of the following: other participants, the watercraft, other watercraft, and manmade or natural objects; (c) wind shear, inclement weather, lightning, variances and extremes of wind, weather and temperature; (d) my sense of balance, physical coordination, ability to operate equipment, swim and/or follow directions; (e) collision, capsizing, sinking or other hazard which results in wetness, injury, exposure to the elements, hypothermia and/or drowning; (f) the presence of insects and marine life forms; (g) equipment failure or operator error; (h) heat or sun related injuries or illnesses, including sunburn, sunstroke or dehydration; (i) fatigue, chill and or dizziness which may diminish my/our reaction time and increase the risk of an accident. I further understand that cleaning up beaches and waterfront areas involves certain inherent risks, including but not limited to, the risks of possible injury, infection, or loss of life as a result of contact with needles, condoms, metal objects, burning embers or other hazardous materials found on the beach, or from over-exertion or environmental conditions. Despite these risks, I still choose to proceed in such activity.

**II. Express Assumption of Risks and Responsibility.** I/we agree to assume responsibility for all the risks of the activity, whether identified above or not, **EVEN THOSE RISKS ARISING OUT OF NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES NAMED BELOW.** My/our participation in the activity is purely voluntary. I/we assume full responsibility for myself and of any of my minor children for whom I am responsible, for any bodily injuries, accident, illness, paralysis, death, loss of personal property and expenses thereof, as a result of any accident which may occur while I/we participate in the activity, **EVEN IF CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES NAMED BELOW.**

**III. Release.** I/we hereby release REI and ILACSD, its principals, directors, officers, agents, employees and volunteers, their insurers and each and every land owner, municipal and/or governmental agency upon whose property and activity is conducted (owner) and their insurers, if any, (collectively Releasees) **FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY OF ANY NATURE FOR ANY AND ALL INJURY OR DAMAGE, INCLUDING DEATH, TO ME OR MY MINOR CHILDREN AND OTHER PERSONS** as a result of my/our participating in the activity, **EVEN IF CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY OF THE RELEASEES NAMED ABOVE OR ANY OTHER PERSON INCLUDING ME/US.**

I have read this Assumption and Acknowledgement of Risks and Release of Liability Agreement. I understand that by signing this document, I am waiving valuable legal rights including any and all right I may have against the Owner, or Operator named above, or their employees, agents, servants or assigns.

_____ Participant's Name (Print)	_____ Date	_____ Address	_____ Phone
_____ Signature of Participant		_____ City, State, Zip	_____ E-mail

**IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18, THE PARENT (OR GUARDIAN, IF ANY) MUST SIGN.**

**I am the parent or legal guardian of the above participant and he/she has my permission to participate in this Event. I have read and agree to the provisions stated above. I know of no health limitations that may restrict this volunteer's participation in this activity.**

_____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian	_____ Date	_____ Address (if different from above)	_____ Phone
		_____ City, State, Zip	_____ E-mail

Check this box if you would like to be added to ILACSD and REI's monthly volunteer newsletter email databases to be notified about upcoming volunteer projects.