

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK/CONSENT

As a pre-condition for having a minor participate in this wild mushroom foraging class run by Jody Franklin dba Shaggy Jack’s Wild Mushrooms I understand and agree that I am personally responsible for the safety and security of my child. Specifically, I understand that the mushroom class will include, but is not limited to, all of the activities listed below collectively the “Activities”.

**Minor Participant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Participant”)

**Parent or Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Risks Associated with the Activities:**

Activity	Risks include, but are not limited to:	Source of Risk	Initials
Water Activities	Drowning, slipping, hypothermia	While walking the forest we may be near streams and other sources of moving water or ponds, lakes and bogs. Failure to take adequate precautions may result in the participant falling in or becoming wet and risk injury, sickness or death. Areas near by may be wet and slippery.	
Animal Contact	Injury/illness	The class takes place in wild and unregulated areas, the group may come across wild animals which may attack even if unprovoked.	
Outdoor Activities	Scrapes/ Bumps/burns/ Breaks etc.	The class takes place in wild areas where walking surfaces will be uneven, tripping hazards may be obscured and the forest floor may be unstable. In addition branches or trees may fall in an unpredictable manner and many of the trails are multiple use trails and I may come into contact with other recreational trail users such as mountain bikes or horses.	
Exposure to outdoor elements (allergens etc.)	Allergic reaction	Exposure to various allergens including, but not limited to, pollens, bug bites, plants, foods.	
Driving and Transport	Risk to property and person	Participants are responsible for transporting themselves to the site of the class, this often involves traveling on logging roads, some of which are unmaintained. Driving in this manner may cause damage to vehicles and parked vehicles could risk theft or damage from events such as falling trees or branches.	
Use of skills outside of the course	Sickness or death	Participants are being supervised in which mushrooms they are eating while taking the course but the instructor takes no responsibility for participants choices and discretion used outside of the course. Some mushrooms can be hazardous and this course is meant as an introductory course, it will not make participants experts identifying mushrooms.	
Consumption of foraged food	Allergic Reaction	Even when consuming safe mushrooms it is possible that individuals may have allergic or negative reactions.	

**Acknowledgement of Risk**

I understand that there are inherent risks involved in these activities. I recognize that these risks could result in consequences that include general physical injuries, head or spinal injuries, physical or emotional trauma, infection, death or financial loss (e.g., damaged or lost personal equipment or medical costs.) for the Participant.

I have fully informed myself about the nature of these activities and the inherent risks associated with these activities and agree to be responsible for the Participant’s safety and security.

I acknowledge that I have been encouraged to ask for clarification about the nature of any activity and the safety measures to be used by the farm to manage risks.

**I understand and agree:**

1. That the physical demands of this particular program require that the Participant be medically, physically, and emotionally fit and fully able to participate in the activities. I am not aware of any reason, health-related or otherwise, why the Participant would not be capable of participating in any or all of the planned activities. The program’s instructors reserve the right to refuse participation in any activity if they deem the Participant not fit to participate.
2. I acknowledge that Salmonberry Media Group DBA Shaggy Jack’s Wild Mushrooms and any affiliates, employees or agents cannot guarantee absolute safety. I also understand that I am responsible for the Participant’s safety and that I must act prudently and carefully. I understand and acknowledge that Participant may suffer serious and permanent injury or damage to or loss of property, resulting directly or indirectly from my own negligence, failure to follow direction, misadventure or unavoidable or unintentional accident. I also understand and acknowledge that all of the potential risks cannot be listed in this Agreement.
3. The setting and activities that the Participant will be participating in requires that they have adequate clothing and personal equipment to keep them warm and dry. It is my responsibility to ensure that the Participant is properly equipped for the program.
4. I understand that it is my responsibility to communicate to the staff or instructors any particular/ specific need that the Participant may have prior to the first day of the program.
5. I understand that as a precondition to participation in this program I must acknowledge the above risks and sign the below waiver of liability.

**I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE TYPES OF ACTIVITIES I WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN AND THE ASSOCIATED RISKS OF THOSE ACTIVITIES.**

**I understand that by signing below, I am acknowledging my agreement to the above.**

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NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARIAN

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DATE