

*Virginia Beach Sea Camp Hold Harmless Agreement  
Presented By Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia*

CAMPER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

First

Middle

Last

I am the adult parent or legal guardian of the camper named above. I give my permission for the child named above to participate in the day camp and all activities ("Camp") presented by *Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia*. I acknowledge that water- and shore-based camp activities are potentially dangerous and involve the potential risk of serious injury and/or death and/or property damage. I acknowledge that camp activities involve potentially rigorous and sustained outdoor activities on the water and beach. I acknowledge that Camp will involve activities and instruction in and around water that involve kayaking, surfing, canoeing, stand up paddle boarding, netting, crabbing, fishing, salt marsh, shallow water and intertidal water habitat exploration, hiking, team building games and other activities, and that there are risks associated with such activities. Risks associated with the water- and shore-based camp activities include, but are not limited to, sunburn, heat exhaustion and heat stroke, cuts to the feet, hands or body, later infection of these cuts, bodily damage from watercraft collisions or watercraft to body collisions, falling out of watercraft and being hit with watercraft being propelled by waves, tide or momentum, bodily damage from falling off water craft in shallow water or onto the beach, falling onto water craft or board, being struck with errant paddles or watercraft, lightning strikes, jellyfish stings, attack from dangerous or aggressive wildlife, bee and other insect stings and drowning. I understand that risks cannot be eliminated without losing the essential qualities of the activity.

I also acknowledge that I have the responsibility as a parent or legal guardian to inspect any and all facilities and equipment to be used and camp activity plans and to immediately advise Camp staff of anything which I consider to be unsafe and/or do not wish my child to participate in. *Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia* employees, agents, instructors and guides seek to ensure group safety, but they are not infallible. They may be ignorant of my child's or another participant's health conditions, fitness or abilities. I acknowledge that decisions made by guides/staff are often made quickly and in difficult settings and are often based on subjective, momentary or imprecise perceptions, so that decisions are subject to errors in judgment that cannot and should not be associated with fault at a later point in time. I also understand and acknowledge that failing to use or properly use assigned safety equipment such as personal floatation devices and /or failure to follow instructions increases risk of injury or of not surviving an accident or incident during Camp. I understand that *Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia*, it's staff, agents, representatives, directors, volunteers, successor and assigns (collectively, shall not be liable under any circumstances for any injuries or damages to person(s) or property, arising out of, resulting from, or in any way connected with my/our camper's participating in the Camp.

I have reviewed the abbreviated list of Virginia Beach Sea Camp rules with my child.

RELEASE: In consideration of *Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia* involving my child in this program, I, the undersigned, for ourselves, our child, our heirs, executors and administrators, release, hold harmless and forever discharge *Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia* from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of actions whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, personal injury, including death, or property damage that may be sustained or occur during participation in Camp activities or while at Camp. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risk of loss, personal injury, including death or property damage that may be sustained by my child as a result of such activity.

Signature of parent or legal guardian required.

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*Parent / Guardian's Signature*

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*Date*

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*Relationship to Camper*