

British Columbia Mountaineering Club

Adult Membership Application / Renewal Form

New Application or Renewal

Change of Address or other contact information

Name:		
Address:		
City:	Province:	Postal Code:
Telephone:	E-mail address:	

IMPORTANT NOTE: BY DEFAULT, NEWSLETTERS ARE SENT BY EMAIL. To receive printed copies of BCBC and FMCBC Newsletters, please indicate below:

I wish to be mailed a printed (hard copy) version of the BCMC Newsletter.

I wish to be mailed a printed (hard copy) version of Cloudburst, the FMCBC Newsletter

<p><u>Areas of knowledge or expertise:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Backcountry Skiing <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing (Class 4 and up)</p>	<p><u>Willing to be a Trip Organizer:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Summer <input type="checkbox"/> Winter</p>
<p><u>Willing to help with:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Maintain cabins/trails <input type="checkbox"/> Club Committees <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Phoning Members</p>	

Check	Dues	Category	Comments
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$45	Active	Entitles the member to vote, participate on club trips, and receive club publications. Must have completed two club trips (see note at bottom of page) or two full years of club membership.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$45	Associate	Same as Active, but without voting rights.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$68	Active Couple	Active members who share an address.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$68	Associate Couple	Associate members who share an address.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20	Senior	Senior members must have been members of the club for <i>25 consecutive years</i> , be aged 65 years or older, and apply to the club executive for Senior status. (1/2 Active rate)
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20	Junior	Junior members 18 years and under. Cannot be Active. A separate waiver form for juniors must be signed by a parent or guardian.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$800	Life	One time fee entitling lifetime membership.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$___	Donation	Additional voluntary contribution to support the BCBC.

***NOTE: \$20 discount applicable on first year of membership to members of UBC Varsity Outdoors Club**

Annual dues are payable on October 1st. Dues are pro-rated quarterly for NEW MEMBERS ONLY as of the following dates:

- after December 31: \$42 (Couples \$63)
- after March 31: \$39 (Couples \$58)
- after June 30: \$36 (Couples \$53)

Please send dues and completed form with signed waiver to:

The Membership Chair, BCBC
P.O. Box 2674
Vancouver BC V6B 3W8

Each applicant must complete the waiver form (pages three and four of this document)

Take the time to read the waiver. A completed waiver (dated, legibly printed names of applicant and witness, and signatures of both applicant and witness) must accompany the Membership Application Form. Application Forms without a completed waiver will NOT be accepted. Life Members require a completed waiver as well.

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PRIVACY INFORMATION: Very Important – Please Read!

Your personal information: The BCMC *does not* rent, sell, or share personal information about you with any other companies, organizations or clubs EXCEPT THAT your address is given to the Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC (www.mountainclubs.bc.ca) – an umbrella organization representing outdoor clubs throughout BC. All members of the BCMC automatically become members of the FMCBC, and are entered on the mailing list of their twice-yearly newsletter *Cloudburst*.

Online Member Listings: Your contact information (address and phone number) are visible in the *members only* section of the BCMC Website (www.bcmc.ca). Other members may log in to the website and view this information to contact you for club related activities.

Printed Member Listings: Your contact information (address and phone number) as well as the year you joined the club, and your membership type, are listed in a Membership List circulated once a year, *to club members only*, with the club's Newsletter.

E-mail information: **Your e-mail address is NEVER visible to other members on the BCMC Website.** However, other members may send you messages by e-mail via an online form. They will never know your e-mail address *unless you reply* to them.

You may restrict these uses of your contact information below. Please note that by restricting these uses of your contact information, it becomes more difficult for other members to contact you for legitimate club purposes.

- Do not permit other members of the BCMC to access my contact information online.
- Do not list my information in the annual printed Membership List.
- Do not permit other members of the BCMC to contact me by e-mail.

Conversion from Associate to Active membership:

Associates may become Active (voting) members by being a member for at least two years, or by completing two Club trips (or one Club camp) and having two Active members sponsor him/her in the spaces below:

Active Mbr:	Name	Signature	Trip Date	Trip Destination
Sponsor 1				
Sponsor 2				

Comments:

If you have any other comments regarding your membership, club activities, etc. please enter them below.

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Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumptions of Risks and Indemnity Agreement

**By signing this agreement you are waiving certain legal rights,
including the right to sue or claim compensation following an accident**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

This Agreement shall apply to all subsequent membership renewals, use of Club cabins or participation in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC, unless the executive directs otherwise.

To: British Columbia Mountaineering Club

ASSUMPTION OF RISKS

I am aware that mountaineering, rock climbing, ice climbing, backpacking, hiking, backcountry skiing, telemarking, touring, snowboarding, snowshoeing and all other such activities (collectively referred to as "Wilderness Activities"), involve many risks, dangers and hazards including, but not limited to: rockfall, icefall, avalanches of snow, ice and rock triggered by natural forces, by persons travelling through the terrain or other causes; hidden or exposed earth, rocks, boulders, ice, logs, stumps, forest deadfall, treewells, trees and other objects; concealed or exposed crevasses, icebridges or bergschrunds; cornices and cornice falls; cliffs; variations in snow or ice conditions, including unstable snow packs or ice; ungroomed, unmarked and uncontrolled terrain; exposed or concealed holes or depressions in the snow pack; still and moving water; limited visibility; variable, severe or rapidly changing weather; hypothermia; frostbite; loss of balance or control and falls, particularly on steep or difficult terrain; errors of judgment; lack of preparation; inadequate or inappropriate equipment; equipment failure, malfunction or loss; failure to act safely or within one's ability; impact or collision with other persons; encounters with domestic or wild animals; becoming lost, going off route or becoming separated from one's party; remote locations with no or unreliable communication and inability to get rescue or medical assistance quickly or easily; dangerous driving conditions and travel over poor roads; negligence of other mountaineers, climbers, backpackers, hikers, skiers, snowboarders, snowshoers, drivers, snowmobilers and others; and, **negligence on the part of the British Columbia Mountaineering Club, its directors, officers, agents, members, organizers, coordinators, assistants, representatives and all persons acting under its authority (collectively the "BCMC"), including the failure on the part of the BCMC to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards of Wilderness Activities.**

I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES AND 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.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The organizer or coordinator of a Club trip or activity is not a professional mountaineer, guide or trained first aid attendant. The function of the organizer or coordinator is only to organize the trip, ensure it gets underway and be familiar or have knowledge of the access to the area, the route or routes. Participants on a club trip or activity are responsible for their own safety and are expected to have the necessary skills, experience, fitness, suitable first aid supplies and appropriate equipment in good working order.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of the BCMC allowing me to join the BCMC, to use Club cabins, or to participate in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC including, but not limited to, club trips, camps, expeditions, courses or programs involving Wilderness Activities, I hereby agree as follows:

1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I have or may have in the future against the BCMC and TO

**_____
Initials of Participant**

RELEASE THE BCMC 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, resulting from or in connection with my membership in the BCMC, my use of Club cabins or my participation in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC, including activities or programs involving Wilderness Activities, 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 UNDER THE **OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT**, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 337, OR ANY APPLICABLE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY LEGISLATION, ON THE PART OF THE BCMC, AND ALSO INCLUDING THE FAILURE OF THE BCMC TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS REFERRED TO ABOVE.

2. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the BCMC from any and all liability for any damage to property of or personal injury to any third party, resulting from any aspect of my membership in the BCMC, my use of Club cabins or my participation in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC;

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 solely in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and no other jurisdictions; and

5. Any litigation involving the parties of this Agreement shall be brought solely within the Province of British Columbia and shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of the Province of British Columbia.

Unless the executive of the BCMC directs otherwise, this Agreement shall apply to all subsequent membership renewals, use of Club cabins or participation in any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC.

In entering into this Agreement, I am not relying upon any oral or written representations or statements made by the BCMC with respect to the safety of Wilderness Activities, Club cabins and any activities or programs organized or authorized by or on behalf of the BCMC, other than what is set forth in this Agreement.

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 BCMC.

Date: _____

Signature of Participant

Signature of Witness

Print Name of Participant

Print Name of Witness