

NOLS Alumni Seminar Application

Upon completion of this application packet return to:
NOLS Alumni, 284 Lincoln Street, Lander Wy 82520
Or fax it to 307-332-8811

Event & Date: _____ How did you learn of this event? _____

Name:: _____

Last First Middle Preferred

Address: _____

Street City State Zip

Phone: _____

Home Work

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

If Student, Where? _____ Employer: _____

NOLS Course(s) Taken: _____

Is anyone else in your household a grad?: Yes- No, if so, who _____

Personal Objectives for this event: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Last name Middle First

Address: _____

Street City State

Phone: _____

Home Work

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Alumni Seminars Cancellation and Refund Policy

These policies exist to encourage commitment when applying for a NOLS alumni event and to cover the costs incurred by NOLS when someone either cancels or leaves a program.

To activate your enrollment, the seminar application fee is due with the application form. The refund policy is specified as follows:

1. If you must cancel less than 30 days before the event starting date, NOLS will retain your enrollment fee UNLESS we are able to fill your spot with someone on the wait list. If we can fill your spot on the seminar, you will receive a full refund.
2. If NOLS must cancel a seminar for any reason, your enrollment fee will be fully refunded.

I have read, understand and accept and agree to abide by the rules, policies and guidelines as outlined by the NOLS Alumni & Development Office. I understand that I am not accepted for an event until all the enrollment forms have been received and approved by NOLS. NOLS does on occasion share the contact information of our graduates (name and mail address) with environmental organizations or strategic partners that our graduates may be interested in. I give NOLS permission to release my name and address when appropriate. I also give NOLS permission to use my name, address and picture in promotional materials and press releases.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT _____ DATE _____

NOLS Alumni Event

Insurance Information

NOLS requires that all students/participants have their own health and accident insurance. Please complete this form so that we will have information concerning your insurance coverage. It is your responsibility to make sure your insurance will cover you for the duration of the course. The student/participant will be responsible for obtaining any necessary pre-admission review.

NO ONE WILL GO ON A TRIP WITHOUT INSURANCE COVERAGE. If you do not already belong to a regular health program, we suggest a short-term trip policy, which you may buy from your local insurance agent.

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Name and Address Of Person Under Whose Name The Policy Is Carried:

Phone (W ___ H ___) _____

Name Of Insurance Company: _____

Policy Number: _____ Group Number: _____

Agreement Number: _____

Address Where Claims Must Be Submitted: _____

If Group Insurance, Give Name Of Group Under Which Participant Is Insured:

SPECIAL TRIP INSURANCE: NOLS is not responsible for costs associated with cancelled enrollment (such as cancellation due to a personal emergency), courses that cancel for reasons beyond our control, evacuations and separations from courses. Examples of these costs are: non-refundable airplane tickets, air evacuations, and course tuition. We recommend that you look at your health insurance to assure it covers air evacuations and talk with your insurance agent about special trip insurance that may cover these kinds of costs.

NATIONAL OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

STUDENT AGREEMENT (INCLUDING ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND AGREEMENTS OF RELEASE AND INDEMNITY)

Name (Print)

Course Code

Please read this document carefully. It must be signed by all students and participants (referred to below as "Student"). "Student" includes adult and minor students, unless indicated otherwise. If the student is a minor, at least one parent or guardian (referred to below as "Parent") must also sign, as evidence of Parent's acknowledgment and agreement to the following, on Parent's behalf and on behalf of the minor student.

Student, and Parent of a minor Student (each referred to as "I" below, unless otherwise indicated), in consideration of the services of The National Outdoor Leadership School ("NOLS"), acknowledge and agree as follows:

Activities and Risks

Although NOLS has taken reasonable steps to provide its students with appropriate equipment and skilled staff for its programs (course, seminar, or trip), the activities of the programs have risks, including certain risks which cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the activities. The same elements that contribute to the unique character of these activities can cause loss or damage to equipment, accidental injury, illness, or, in extreme cases, permanent trauma, disability or death. NOLS does not want to frighten its students or reduce their enthusiasm, but considers it important for them and their families to know in advance what to expect, and to be informed of the activities' inherent risks. The following describes some, but not all, of those risks.

- NOLS programs live, camp and travel out of doors, where they are subject to numerous environmental and other risks. Activities vary from program to program and may be strenuous, physically and emotionally. The activities include hiking and backpacking, mountaineering, climbing and descending glaciers and rock and ice cliffs, whitewater and sea kayaking, rafting, canoeing, sailing, horse packing, skiing, snowboarding, mountain biking, fishing, and caving.
- NOLS programs usually occur in remote places, perhaps many days from medical facilities. Communication and transportation are difficult and sometimes evacuations and medical care may be significantly delayed.
- Equipment may fail or malfunction, despite reasonable maintenance and use.
- Meals are prepared over gas stoves and open fires. Water may require disinfection before use. Camping risks and hazards include burns, cuts, slips, falls, lifting, and diarrhea and flu-like illness.



- Travel is by vehicle, raft, canoe, kayak, sail and other boats, horse, aircraft, train, skis, snowboards, mountain bikes, on foot and by other means, over improved and unimproved roads, rugged trails and off-trail terrain, including boulder fields, downed timber, rivers, rapids, river crossings, high mountain passes, snow and ice, steep slopes, slippery rocks, steep or crevassed glaciers, ocean tides and currents, waves, surf and reefs. Travel risks include collision, falling, capsizing, drowning and others usually associated with such travel, including environmental risks.
- Environmental risks and hazards include moving, deep and/or cold water; insects, snakes, and predators, and large animals; falling and rolling rock; lightning, avalanches, flash floods, falling timber and forces of nature, including weather which may change to extreme conditions. Possible injuries and illnesses include hypothermia, frostbite, immersion foot, high altitude illnesses, sunburn, heatstroke, dehydration, and other mild or serious conditions.
- Decisions are made by the instructors and students usually in a wilderness setting, based on a variety of perceptions and evaluations which by their nature are imprecise and subject to errors in judgment. Misjudgments may pertain to, among other things, a student's capabilities, environment, terrain, water and weather conditions, natural hazards, routes and medical conditions.
- On most NOLS courses, small groups of students travel at times during the day, and possibly for several days, without instructors.
- NOLS students may also have unsupervised "free" time before and after their courses and some evenings and days in town. Free time activities are not part of the NOLS program and NOLS has no responsibility for students during such activities. NOLS staff may from time to time provide assistance or even accompany students in these free time activities, but in doing so, they are acting as private individuals, and NOLS is not responsible for their conduct.
- NOLS programs in foreign countries may be exposed to laws, legal systems, customs and behaviors, and to animals, diseases and infections, not common to the United States. In addition, these programs may be subject to dangerous road travel, political unrest, riots, demonstrations, banditry, terrorism and other criminal conduct, including drug related activities.
- NOLS programs may require a degree of skill and knowledge not required in other activities, and students have responsibilities for managing the risks to which they and others are exposed. NOLS activities are instructional in nature and students will be challenged to expand their skills and judgment.

Student and Parent of a minor Student, have read and understand the general information in the NOLS catalog of courses, (including the Risk Management page), the enrollment packet and/or other material provided by NOLS describing or related to Student's program. The staff of NOLS has been available to more fully explain the nature and physical demands of the activities in which Student will be engaged, and the inherent and other risks, of Student's NOLS activity.



Acknowledgment and Assumption of Inherent and Other Risks

I, Student (adult or minor) and Parent of a minor Student (for myself and on behalf of the minor Student), acknowledge that the description above of inherent risks is not complete and that other unknown or unanticipated risks, inherent and otherwise, may result in property loss, injury, illness or death. I acknowledge that Student's participation in this NOLS program is purely voluntary, and in spite of and with knowledge of the inherent and other risks involved.

I expressly acknowledge and assume the inherent risks described above, and all other inherent risks of Student's NOLS activity. In addition, except with respect to an injury or other loss which occurs on lands whose rules or regulations prohibit my doing so, I expressly assume ALL OTHER risks of Student's NOLS activity, inherent or otherwise.

(NOTE TO STUDENT AND PARENT: The U.S. National Park Service and certain other managers of federal lands do not allow permit holders to be released by their students from liability for negligent conduct. On those lands, NOLS is limited to the acknowledgment and assumption of inherent risks, as provided in the preceding paragraph. Student's program may involve activities off these lands. For such activities, NOLS seeks an assumption of ALL (not only inherent) risks and, in addition, the following agreements of release and indemnity. Please read these agreements carefully.)

Agreements of Release and Indemnity

If I am an adult Student or the Parent of a minor Student I agree, for myself and on behalf of the minor Student for whom I sign, as follows:

I HEREBY AGREE TO RELEASE, INDEMNIFY ("indemnify" meaning to defend, and to pay or reimburse), AND HOLD HARMLESS NOLS, its owners, officers, agents, and employees, ("Released Parties"), with respect to any and all claims of injury, disability, death, or other loss or damage to person or property suffered by me, by a minor Student for whom I sign, by a member of my family, a rescuer, co-participant, or any other person, arising in whole or part from my, or the minor child's, enrollment or participation in an activity of NOLS, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF A RELEASED PARTY OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Other Provisions

If I am an adult Student or Parent of a minor Student, I further acknowledge and agree as follows:

I have verified with Student's physician and other medical professionals, or otherwise satisfied NOLS, that Student has no past or current physical or psychological condition that might affect his or her participation in the program, other than as described on the medical form. Student is able to participate without causing harm to himself or herself or to others. The medical information given to NOLS is accurate and all pertinent medical conditions have been disclosed. I also agree to inform NOLS of any undisclosed medical condition that arises prior to the commencement of the course.

NOLS is authorized to obtain or provide emergency hospitalization, surgical or other medical care for Student. Any such third-party medical care provider is authorized to exchange pertinent medical information with NOLS. Costs reasonably associated with medical services, including evacuation, shall be borne by the Student, if an adult, or Parent of a minor Student.

Any dispute between NOLS and Student or Parent shall be governed by the substantive laws (not including the laws which might apply the laws of another jurisdiction) of the State of Wyoming, and any mediation or suit shall occur or be filed only in the State of Wyoming.



