Guidelines for WCA Trips

Canoeing is an activity that may include a certain element of risk. All participants in club activities should be aware that they, and they alone, are responsible for their own safety and comfort.

- 1. The Outings Committee publishes a schedule of trips and related events, organized by members of the WCA.
- 2. Participants should:
 - a. inform the organizer promptly if they cannot attend the trip.
- 3. Non-member Participation on WCA Outings:

Members may, at the organizer's discretion, bring a friend or family member to paddle with them on a club outing. Guests will be required to sign a waiver of liability form prior to the trip. See waiver on website. The WCA provides a broad range of activities and benefits to those who join our community of paddlers and outdoors enthusiasts. If you are a non-member and would like to take advantage of these benefits, including participation in our outings program, we invite you to join our organization.

- 4. Food, transportation, appropriate boats, camping equipment, partners, etc. are the responsibility of each participant. Organizers may assist in these areas.
- 5. All trips should have a minimum impact on the environment.

To accomplish this, trip organizers may:

- a. limit the number of boats (or participants) permitted on a trip,
- b. advise on the camping techniques and equipment used.
- 6. Organizers have the right to:
 - a. exclude any participants due to inadequate skills or equipment for the trip,
 - b. exclude any boat deemed unsafe or inappropriate,
 - c. make any arrangements necessary to ensure the safety of the group.
- 7. Participants are responsible for their own safety at all times, and must sign a waiver form if requested by the organizer.
- 8. In the event that on a trip organized by the WCA a serious personal injury occurs, the trip organizer must as soon as possible inform the Outings Committee Chairman, or another Outings Committed member if the Chairman cannot be reached.
- 9. Canoeing is a physically active sport. Some trips can involve sustained strenuous exertion. Participants should have a level of physical fitness appropriate to the trip.

Please read the additional documentation below. If you have any questions and/or suggestions, please contact the WCA Outings Committee via email outings@wildernesscanoe.ca

Canoe Safety Rules

WCA Trip Ratings