

# PARTICIPANT GUIDE

## In Accordance with Participant Waiver and Release

### RVCA Event Co-ordinator Responsibilities

- Safeguard the safety and security of Participants by:
  - Ensuring they receive appropriate training to complete each task;
  - Ensuring they do not use RVCA power equipment or operate an RVCA vehicle;
  - Informing them, in writing, of any known potential site hazards and ensuring they have appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE);
  - Providing them with appropriate supervision and feedback;
  - Understanding and appropriately accommodating personal physical limitations.
- Respect the rights of Participants and protect their personal information;
- Provide Participants with a meaningful experience.

### Participant Rights

- Receive appropriate information to understand the risks involved with the event and to appreciate the purpose of the event;
- Receive appropriate training and supervision;
- Decline to perform any tasks which you may feel are unsafe;
- Be treated with respect by RVCA staff and other participants;
- Provide feedback on the event to improve future activities.

### Participant Responsibilities

- Ensure you have your own transportation to the work site and/or RVCA office, as directed;
- Read and sign the Participant Waiver and Release before participating in the event;
- Follow policies, protocols and procedures established by the RVCA and as directed by the Event Co-ordinator;
- Clarify any uncertainties with the Event Co-ordinator;
- Take reasonable care when carrying out your tasks;
- Inform the Event Co-ordinator of any physical limitations or restrictions;
- Wear Personal Protective Equipment or clothing identified as mandatory by your Supervisor, including but not limited to safety clothing such as steel-toed boots, sunscreen or other appropriate outdoor wear;
- Work cooperatively with RVCA staff, recognizing and appreciating differences of opinion;
- Be considerate, respect competencies and work as a team with all staff and other Participants;
- Use time wisely and not interfere with performance of others;
- Immediately report all accidents and injuries to the Event Co-ordinator;
- While participating in events for the RVCA, smoking and using or possessing illegal drugs or alcohol is prohibited. Participants should ask the Event Co-ordinator to identify designated smoking areas.

### Potential Hazards

- You may be exposed to the following hazards. Hazards specific to each work site will be described on site.
 

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Steep slopes</li> <li>➤ Unsure footing</li> <li>➤ Uneven bottom</li> <li>➤ Fast moving current</li> <li>➤ Poor visibility</li> <li>➤ Scour holes</li> <li>➤ Poor water quality</li> <li>➤ Metal objects in water</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Extreme temperatures, rain, snow</li> <li>➤ Hazardous waste such as chemicals, broken glass, syringes/needles)</li> <li>➤ Toxic plants such as poison ivy, giant hogweed, wild parsnip</li> <li>➤ Animals</li> <li>➤ Insects including Lyme-carrying Blacklegged Ticks</li> </ul>
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