



PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE POLICIES BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION MATERIAL TO **MOUNTAIN PROFESSIONALS, LLC.**

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION

In consideration of the services provided by Mountain Professionals, LLC., its shareholders, directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, participants and all other persons or entities associated with or acting in any capacity on its behalf, I hereby agree to release, indemnify and discharge Mountain Professionals, LLC., on behalf of myself, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate and for all members of my family, including minor children, as follows:

1. I acknowledge that rock climbing, polar skiing, trekking and mountaineering entail known and unanticipated risks that could result in physical or emotional trauma, injury, paralysis, death or damage to myself, property and/or third-parties. Although Mountain Professionals has taken reasonable steps to provide me with appropriate equipment and skilled guides, I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity.

The risks include, among other things: the hazards of traveling in uneven mountainous terrain and slips and falls; being struck by rock fall, icefall or other objects dislodged or thrown from above; the use of climbing ropes and equipment; the force of nature, including lightning, weather changes and avalanche; the risk of falling off the rock, mountain or into a crevasse; the risk of exposure to insect bites; the risk of altitude and cold including hypothermia, frostbite, acute mountain sickness, cerebral and pulmonary edema; my own physical condition; and the physical exertion associated with this activity. Additional dangers may include the hazards of traveling in the Third World; accident or illness in remote places without access to emergency medical facilities; war; terrorism and other forces. I understand that this description of these risks is not complete and that other unanticipated inherent risks may occur.

Furthermore, Mountain Professionals has a difficult job to perform. It seeks safety but is not infallible. Mountain Professionals might be unaware of my or another participant's fitness or abilities. Mountain Professionals might misjudge the weather or other environmental conditions. It may give incomplete warnings or instructions and equipment being used might malfunction. I acknowledge that engaging in this activity may require a degree of skill and knowledge different than other activities and that I have responsibilities as a participant.

I acknowledge that Mountain Professionals has been available to more fully explain to me the nature and physical demands of this activity and the risks, hazards, and dangers associated with this activity.

2. I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume all of the risks existing in this activity. My participation in the activity is purely voluntary, and I elect to participate in spite of the risks.

3. I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Mountain Professionals from any and all claims, demands or causes of action which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity or my use
