



RENSELAERVILLE RAMBLE

-Volunteer Waiver Form-



VOLUNTEER CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Emergency contact name: _____

Emergency contact phone number: _____ Relationship: _____

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

Date of volunteer activities: _____

Staff Supervisor/Crew leader(s): _____

Description of volunteer activities:

VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT AND NOTIFICATION OF RISK

In consideration of my participation as a volunteer member of the E.N. Huyck Preserve (hereafter referred to as “the Preserve”), performing stewardship activities (including but not limited to forest or aquatic monitoring), trail maintenance, office work, or activities related to events (including but not limited to Festivals, guided hikes, benefits, or dinners), I agree as follows:

1. I will follow the instructions of staff supervisors and/or crew leader(s). I acknowledge that I have the right to inspect trails and other facilities and to exercise good judgment and to act responsibly when performing tasks as part of volunteer activities.
2. I understand the proper operation of the equipment that I am to use. If I do not understand the proper operation of the equipment, I will notify a staff supervisor and/or crew leader so as to be trained to safely use the equipment.
3. I understand that my participation may involve standing or walking for several hours, frequently outdoors. I understand that the outdoors can be a dangerous environment with inherent risks including unpredictable weather conditions, rough terrain, and allergens. Injury or death can result.
4. I am in good health and I am aware of no physical problem or condition which will limit or interfere with my ability to participate as a volunteer under predicted or emergency conditions. I also understand that medical attention may not be readily available.

5. I understand that there may be inherent risk with my volunteer activities and I agree that I am participating in the activities at my own risk, and acknowledge that the Preserve has made no warranty or representation, express or implied, regarding the safety of conducting this work for the Preserve.
6. I understand that I am not an employee of the Preserve and that I will receive no compensation or other employment-related benefits from the Preserve.
7. As a volunteer for the Preserve, I acknowledge that I may have access to confidential and privileged information and materials obtained through my affiliation with the Preserve. I shall not share any such information or materials with anyone within or outside the organization not intended to receive them. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - a. Specific location of closed trails and Preserve access points which may lead to unauthorized usage
 - b. Specific locations of rare plants or animals which may lead to unauthorized collecting
 - c. Information about conservation planning priorities or financial transactions
8. I understand that do I not have to participate in any activity that I do not feel comfortable performing, and that it is my responsibility to inform the Preserve if I feel uncomfortable performing a particular task.

STATEMENT OF RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR THE E.N. HUYCK PRESERVE, INC.

On behalf of myself, my heirs, successors and assigns, I hereby forever release, indemnify and hold the Preserve, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses arising from or in any way related to, my services as a volunteer. I intend this release to be effective, regardless of whether the claim of liability is asserted in negligence, strict liability in tort, or other theory of recovery.

STATEMENT OF PHOTO RELEASE FOR THE E.N. HUYCK PRESERVE, INC.

I grant the Preserve permission to take photographs and video recording of me and to display, publish or otherwise use any photographs, video recording, or any other media associated with volunteer activities, including any media which contains my image or likeness, for the Preserve’s purposes. I also consent to the use of my name in connection with such images. I release, indemnify and hold harmless the Preserve and its officers, directors, agents and employees from any and all claims which may result at any time by reason of the use of my image and name, including, without limitations, claims of privacy. My heirs, executors, administrators and assigns shall be bound by this consent and release.

By signing below I acknowledge that I have thoroughly read and understood this form and that the statements I have made in it are all true, and that I am at least 18 years of age, or if I am not 18 years of age, the signature and consent of my parent or legal guardian is included below.

Volunteer Signature: _____

Volunteer Printed Name: _____ **Date:** _____

PARENTAL CONSENT FOR PARTICIPATION BY MINORS

I am the parent or legal guardian of _____, who has my permission to participate in the volunteer stewardship and trail maintenance activities described above. I make all of the representations and agree to all of the terms specific above with respect to my child’s or ward’s participation in these activities.

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ **Date:** _____