WASATCH CAMP WAIVERS AND POLICIES:

*All policies and waivers will be signed upon completion of camp registration.

**Liability Waiver:**

The undersigned hereby declares that he/she is fully aware of the risks and hazards associated with camping activities and camping facilities. Such risks include, but are not limited to, the risks of transportation, horseback riding, mountain biking, water injuries, unfamiliar territory, hiking, camping, unusual eating and sleeping arrangements. The undersigned, for good and valuable consideration, hereby releases the YMCA of Northern Utah, its officers, agents, employees, representatives, and assigns, from any liability for property damage, personal injury, or death that may be sustained by the above-named child as a result of participating in the camp activities. Further, the undersigned hereby indemnifies the YMCA of Northern Utah from any liability for those damages set forth above.

The undersigned agrees that the above-named child is expected to follow camp rules and regulations regarding caring, honesty, respect and responsibility for themselves, others and the environment. In the event that my child exhibits a serious behavior problem, I understand that the Camp Director will contact me to discuss strategies to deal with such situation. However, I understand that when the welfare of my child, other campers, camp property or equipment is jeopardized due to my child’s behavior, my child may be dismissed from camp, and I may be required to pick him/her up from camp at my own expense. In addition, the Camp Director or his/her designee has my permission to search my child’s belongings if s/he is suspected of having any prohibited items.

**Cancellation Policy:**

Cancellations must be received by the YMCA office in writing at least 6 weeks prior to your child’s camp session. Your camp fee will be refunded minus the $100.00 non-refundable deposit. If the YMCA has to cancel programs for any reason we will provide a full refund for all participants, including the deposit. Campers who must leave camp for medical reasons, not of their own choosing, will be sent a prorated refund upon request. A refund will not be given to those campers who miss their camp departure, fail to attend, choose to attend late or depart early, or who are sent home for behavioral reasons.
CODE OF CONDUCT

Dear Campers, Parents, and Guardians:

The YMCA adheres to the highest safety standards. We also apply the four core YMCA values of Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility to all programs and activities. Camp is supposed to be a fun place for EVERYONE, so it is important that all campers follow the camp guidelines. The following are standards we have established to sustain an environment in which every member of the Camp Roger community can feel welcome and respected.

To promote the YMCA Character Values in all aspects of our program and to provide an atmosphere of freedom and a sense of fellowship and enjoyment for all we ask that all campers and parents/guardians read this code together before arriving at camp.

CARING

Because we care about others, are sensitive to their well-being, and helpful to others:

- I will always be sensitive to the feelings of others.
- I will always welcome and include others in camp activities.
- I will be careful that my actions won’t hurt other campers’ feelings or hurt them physically, either intentionally or accidentally.
- If someone is physically or emotionally hurting, I will seek help from a staff member.

*We do not tolerate bullying, intimidation, harassment, or conduct or statements that demean others in any way or for any reason. Campers are urged to report any instances to their cabin counselor, a Program Director, or the Camp Director. Understand that camp will try to stop these things, but only if someone in authority finds out about them from you or someone else or sees them happen. Never resort to fighting to settle a dispute.*

HONESTY

Because we are honest, trustworthy, have integrity, and make sure our choices match our values:

- I will always tell the truth.
- I will choose appropriate activities and use appropriate language – no swearing.
- I will turn in any lost items that I find to a staff member so they can be returned to their owner.

RESPECT
Because we have respect, treat others as we want to be treated, and value ourselves and others:

- I will show respect to other campers and treat others as well as they themselves would like to be treated and try to be a friend to all.
- I will be respectful, cooperative and will contribute positively to the experience of fellow campers.
- I will show respect to camp staff and cooperate fully with their instructions.
- I will respect the rights and beliefs of others and treat others with courtesy and consideration.
- I will be respectful in my expression through apparel, language, gestures, or writing, without being profane, obscene, humiliating, degrading, threatening, harassing, hateful, or in any way offensive in reference to race, religion, ethnicity, nationality, gender, orientation, culture, ability, or belief.

A. I will only enter my own cabin.
B. I will be respectful of the personal property of other campers/staff and will only borrow property with clear, expressed permission from the owner. Any borrowed property will be returned at the agreed upon time.
C. I will be respectful of camp property.
D. 

Because we are responsible, do what is right, and are accountable for our behavior and obligations:

- If I need to enter my cabin between activities, I will only do so with permission and accompanied by a buddy and a counselor.
- I will never mark, deface or destroy camp or personal property or nature.
- I will communicate in an appropriate manner, which means I will not use foul language or gestures, harsh words or tone of voice.
- I will conduct myself responsibly. I understand horseplay, unwelcome teasing or other unkind behaviors are not allowed.
- I will leave all pets at home rather than bringing them to camp.
- I will eat all snacks in the Lodge and put wrappers in the trash. I understand food or snacks are not allowed in the cabins; it attracts ants, mice, and other pests.

Packages will be opened under supervision and edible items will be removed.

- I understand all campers, LITs, WITs and CITs will be dropped off at camp and will not bring their own vehicles.
- I will keep prescription or non-prescription medicine at the health center with the health supervisor and not in my cabins or on my person.

All medications must be turned into the health supervisor during Check-In and will be administered by the health supervisor. Any special circumstances must be cleared during Check-In.
Electronic equipment, such as personal music players, cellular phones or handheld video games, must be left at home and is not allowed at camp. Such equipment will be confiscated and returned to parents upon departure.

I understand all valuables are brought to camp at my own risk. Camp does not recommend that I bring valuables or expensive items.

Corrective & Disciplinary Process

Campers are made aware of all rules and guidelines again upon arrival. Most disciplinary situations at camp are minor and can be resolved with minimal corrections. Camp staff use discipline as a learning opportunity for the camper and try to integrate problem-solving skills into the discussion. Violating the code of conduct will result in the following:

1. Camp Staff will first redirect the child to more appropriate behavior.
2. The child will be reminded of the behavior guidelines and camp rules, and a discussion will occur between camper and counselor where goals and objectives will be set.
3. If the negative behavior persists or elevates, campers will be given a consequence relative to the situation/environment they are in at the time.
4. Upon further violation, camper will be sent to the camp office for a discussion with the Camp Administrative Staff. Documentation of the negative behavior will be recorded in the form of a Behavior Contract signed by the camper, counselor, and director. A parent/guardian will be notified of the problem.
5. If behavior does not improve, parents will be notified, and child will be sent home.
6. The camp administrative staff will discuss all decisions thoroughly before any child is sent home.

The camp administrative staff retains the right to take immediate action if the campers’ behavior poses a threat to their own safety, the safety of other campers or camp staff. There will be no refund of any amount for campers who are sent home because of behavior problems.

Extremely rare, but needing to be mentioned, the following infractions will result in immediate dismissal from Camp:

- Endangering the health and safety of children and/or staff, members, and volunteers
- Stealing or damaging YMCA or personal property
- Leaving the YMCA summer program without permission
- Using profanity, vulgarity, or obscenity frequently
- Acting in a lewd manner and/or possessing sexually explicit material
- Weapons
• Possession of any tobacco product, alcohol, illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia, over the counter drugs that are not listed on the medical form.

Camp Administrative staff retains the right to include other items that may not be listed above to assure that a safe camp atmosphere is maintained for all.

Campers, please read: I have reviewed the Code of Conduct and Packing List with my parents and understand that I am responsible for my behavior while I am at camp. I have reviewed the list of things that are not allowed and have not packed any of them. I am excited about my camp experience and I am coming because I want to. If I do not follow the camp rules, I understand that I may be sent home, without a refund. I will do my best to make this a good experience for me and for the other kids at camp.

We need both campers and parent to sign so we know everyone understands camp's behavior expectations.