Watercraft Acknowledgement of Risk & Equipment Responsibility

PLEASE READ & SIGN: As part of the consideration tendered for myself (or my child/ward, having not attained the age of 16) being permitted to rent, operate and/or be a passenger on rowboats (motorized or non-motorized), canoes, kayaks, pedal boats, paddle boats, stand-up paddleboards, and/or pontoon boats (hereafter watercraft):

Acknowledgement of Risk

I recognize and acknowledge that there are inherent risks associated with the use of watercraft. I further recognize that there are potentially hazardous and unpredictable conditions such as currents, deep and cold water, rapids, dams, floating and stationary objects (rocks, logs and fallen trees), changing weather and wind conditions associated with the use of watercraft. I understand that the watercraft may capsize and result in myself or my child/ward getting wet, suffering from hypothermia or potentially drowning.

I further acknowledge that paddling or self-powering watercraft requires physical strength and abilities and that physical injury, illness or fatigue may result. I also understand that medical assistance may not be immediately available as no lifeguards or other supervision is present.

Equipment Responsibility

I agree (on behalf of myself and/or my child/ward) to utilize appropriate safety equipment, including but not limited to United States Coast Guard approved lifejacket. I also agree to be responsible for the watercraft and associated equipment, including but not limited to, oars, paddles, and flotation devices, and if lost, stolen or damaged beyond normal wear and tear, I will pay the replacement value of the item that is lost or stolen.

I understand that Great Parks of Hamilton County, nor any of its supporting sponsors, assume any responsibility or liability with respect to my, or my child/ward participation in this activity. I agree and hereby waive (on behalf of myself and my child/ward) all claims against, and agree to fully release, hold harmless, and indemnify the Great Parks of Hamilton County, its officers, employees, agents, sponsors, and volunteers from any and all claims or liabilities of any kind relating to any illness, injury, including loss of life, property damage, or loss of any other description which I (or my child/ward) may sustain arising out of, or any way associated with, my participation (or my child's/ward's participation) in this activity.

Participant Name (Print)	Signature (Parent if < 16)	Boat Type	# of Persons	Rental Period	Time Out