



NATURE
salt spring

MEMBERSHIP FORM

To become a Member, submit this **Membership Form** AND a completed **Assumption of Risk Form (p.2)**.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (Please Check)

Individual (\$30)*

Youth (\$20)*

Family* (\$40)**

(Membership Fees cover one calendar year starting March 1)

* Membership dues cover full membership in both Nature Salt Spring & the Federation of B.C. Naturalists (BC Nature).

** Families with children under 13 years old can also join NatureKids BC without further cost. Please contact our Program Coordinator by email: NatureKids@NatureSaltSpring.org

INDIVIDUAL, YOUTH or FAMILY INFORMATION

Please print name(s) of member(s). Indicate a dependent child (and age) as appropriate.

Full Name: _____ Full Name: _____

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Note: Children under 16 must be accompanied to Club events by a parent, guardian or other responsible adult.

Mailing Address

Island/City

Province

Postal Code

Phone Contacts: (_____) _____ (_____) _____

Email #1: _____ Email #2: _____

Tick to receive email notices & newsletters. (By ticking, you are agreeing to authorize Nature Salt Spring and BC Nature to use your email address to send you notices and newsletters. We will not sell or distribute your personal information to any other third party. You may withdraw your consent at any time by contacting Nature Salt Spring.

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Nature Salt Spring relies on your participation & engagement. Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering for any of the activities listed below or suggest other ways that you could help:

Events and Nature Walks

Community Science Projects

Nature Center Campaign

Website/ Social Media

Club Admin/Leadership

Fundraising

Speaker Programs

Please let us know a little about yourself and your interests in nature and natural history.

Please Note: A signed Assumption of Risk (waiver) Form (p.2) must be submitted with this Form to complete your application.

1) email completed electronic forms to: naturesaltspring@gmail.com

or, 2) Print forms and drop the completed/signed forms in the NSS box at Apple Photo



**INFORMED CONSENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT -
RELEASE OF LIABILITY/WAIVER OF CLAIMS**

***NOTE:** By agreeing to this document you will waive certain legal rights, including the right to sue. Please read carefully.*

DISCLAIMER

This is a binding legal agreement. As a Participant in the programs, activities and events of the Nature Salt Spring and the Federation of BC Naturalists, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees to the following terms: NATURE SALT SPRING and BC Nature (Federation of BC Naturalists) and their respective directors, officers, committee members, members, employees, volunteers, participants, agents and representatives (collectively the "Organization") are not responsible for any injury, personal injury, damage, property damage, expense, loss of income or loss of any kind suffered by a Participant during, or as a result of, any program, activity or event of the Organization, caused by the risks, dangers and hazards associated with the programs, activities and events of the Organization.

DESCRIPTION OF RISKS: I am participating voluntarily in these activities, events and programs of the Organization. In consideration of my participation in the programs, activities and events of the Organization, I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with or related to any such programs, activities and events of the Organization and may be exposed to such risks, dangers and hazards. The risks, dangers and hazards include, but are not limited to, injuries from:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Field trips, outings and nature walks; b) Bird counts and watching; c) Road cleanup and restoration work; d) Animal attacks, including but not limited to, bears, cougars and snakes; e) Bites from insects, including ticks with possibility of leading to Lyme Disease; f) Extreme weather conditions which may result in heatstroke, sunstroke, hypothermia, frostbite, or lightning strikes; g) Inhalation of viruses or infections including but not limited to, Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> h) Executing strenuous and demanding physical techniques including climbing and hiking; i) Vigorous physical exertion; j) Grass, turf and other surfaces including bacterial infections and rashes; k) Falling to the ground due to uneven, slippery, steep, rocky or irregular terrain or surfaces; l) Failure to properly use any piece of equipment or from the mechanical failure of any piece of equipment; m) Spinal cord injuries which may render me permanently paralyzed; and n) Travel to and from activities, events and programs.
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Furthermore, I am aware:

- a) That injuries sustained can be severe;
- b) That I may experience anxiety while challenging myself during the activities, events and programs;
- c) That my risk of injury is reduced if I follow all rules established for participation; and
- d) That my risk of injury increases as I become fatigued

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate, I agree:

- a) That I do not know of any medical condition I might have that could possibly make it unwise from me to participate in the club's activities, events or programs, including but not limited to heart conditions;
- b) To freely accept and fully assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and possibility of personal injury, death, property damage, expense and related loss, including loss of income, resulting from my participation in such activities, events and programs;
- c) To forever release the Organization from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, actions and costs that might arise out of my participation in the activities, events and programs of the Organization.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I acknowledge that I have read this agreement and understand it, that I have executed this agreement voluntarily, and that this agreement is to be binding upon myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and representatives.

Tick Box To Agree	Name of Participant	Date

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