

Acknowledgement of Risk

1. Purpose

This document draws attention to the increased risk you will be exposed to when undertaking a trip with eXXpedition Travel Ltd, and each / all of its associates.

We will assume that you have read and understood all relevant information, and that you feel suitably informed of the risky nature of participating in a sailing and research expedition, and therefore are able to make a conscious and informed decision to join the eXXpedition trip.

2. Known hazards

Our Trips are, by their nature, adventurous expeditions. As such they come with associated hazards and therefore you are at a higher risk of some sort of incident or accident occurring. By participating you could experience a situation which may result in emotional trauma, serious injury or death. We do our best to reduce the hazards and wider risks as much as possible, but it is not possible to eliminate them completely.

The known hazards you may encounter include

- Use of moving parts and machinery on board, including ropes, winches and heavy sails
- Change in weather, storms or high winds that make operation of the vessel and life on board more hazardous, and increases risks of sickness, trips, falls or anything else
- Drowning, due to unintentional or intentional entering of the water
- Piracy, this increases depending on the areas being travelling in and through
- Collision of vessels or shipwreck
- Encounters with wildlife
- Travel ashore in remote and uninhibited areas (usually for beach cleanups or events)
- Limited medical support and prolonged medical timelines. You are likely to be some distance from
 medical care and/or remote evacuation for severe injury, acute onset illness or any other complex
 medical, or mental health needs. On some trips, we may be several hundred miles from a fully
 stocked leading medical facility for example, when sailing across oceans or around remote island
 groups. On most, we will not be within easy reach of emergency onshore medical care.
- Physical and emotional challenge the trips can be long, arduous and push people to their limits where they are more likely to make mistakes and sustain injury.

3. Your responsibilities

- You should understand that participating in the eXXpedition trip is in itself risky sailing on an ocean
 vessel carries a number of challenges as stated above and you should follow the safety instructions
 of the professional crew and mission leader.
- Inform the mission leader or professional crew if you are being asked to do something you do not feel comfortable or competent to do. Always ask if you are unsure.

- Nothing you do on board should, at any time, jeopardise the safety of anyone else on board, or yourself.
- You should ensure that you have taken out a suitable insurance policy before you make a booking. You must be satisfied that your insurance fully covers all your personal requirements including pre-existing medical conditions, cancellation terms and loss of payments, medical expenses and repatriation in the event of accident or death, illness, loss or damage for your personal possessions, as well as any specific activities that we have set out in the eXXpedition website.

4. eXXpedition Travel Limited's responsibility

eXXpedition Travel Limited does not exclude or limit its liability for any liability which cannot be excluded or limited under applicable law, such as personal injury suffered during the Trip which is caused by eXXpedition Travel Limited's negligence.

5. Sign off

I [insert full name], fully acknowledge and understand the risks that I may face by participating in this eXXpedition Travel Limited trip, and that these risks are inherent to the expedition. I also expressly understand that I am under a duty to mitigate any risks to myself as far as is practicable, by taking all reasonable steps to ensure my own safety whilst on the trip. I accept full responsibility for these risks and I agree that eXXpedition Travel Limited, its employees and agents are released from any liability resulting from my injury or death or any loss of or damage to my property suffered during the trip. I have read and understood all of the information given to me, and, by signing this document, give my informed consent to participate.

FULL NAME:			
SIGNATURE:			
DATE:			