

## 4-H ONTARIO PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT FORM # 6.8

4-H Ontario asks that all participants (Youth and Volunteers) complete the Participant Agreement Form in order to participate in the 4-H program. If details change, please notify 4-H. If the participant is under 18 years of age, the parent/guardian should complete this form on their behalf. The purpose of the information collected here is to provide 4-H Ontario staff and volunteers with the information needed to facilitate 4-H activities, be able to respond in the event of an emergency, and keep participants up to date on 4-H activities. Information will be gathered, stored and destroyed in accordance with the Canada Health Act and privacy laws.

### SECTION 1: PARTICIPANT CONTACT INFORMATION

4-H Ontario ID # (if applicable):	Local Association:	Gender:	
Participant Full Name (First, Middle, Last):		Preferred Name (i.e. Chris instead of Christopher):	
Address:	City/Town	Province:	Postal Code:
Phone:	Email Address:	Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	

### SECTION 2: EMERGENCY CONTACTS

#### Primary Contact (Parent/Guardian/Spouse)

#### Secondary Contact

Full Name (First, Last):	Relationship to Participant:	Full Name (First, Last):	Relationship to Participant:
Phone Number:	Email:	Phone Number:	Email:

**SECTION 3: HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION NOTE:** This information is **voluntary**, however, this information is gathered for communication with health care providers in the event of an emergency. Please include information to ensure the participant's safety, and a positive 4-H experience.

#### 3 A) Health Care Provider of Member

Physician/Medical Practice Name:	Phone:
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#### 3 B) Medical / Behavioural / Allergies / Dietary

Are there any medical conditions, disabilities, family circumstances, cultural requirements, or other concerns of which the 4-H activity organizers should be aware? If so, please explain here, or speak directly with the activity organizer. If required please provide additional details on separate sheet.

**Medical / Behavioural: Description/Details:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Allergies: Description/Details:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary Requirements: Description/Details:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional information that 4-H activity organizers should be aware of:** \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 4: MEDIA RELEASE AND CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE

**MEDIA RELEASE:** Throughout the 4-H year 4-H volunteers, parent and 4-H Ontario employees take photos and videos of youth participating in 4-H activities. These photos are typically displayed on 4-H websites. Some are also submitted to local newspapers and to 4-H Ontario's Communication Department and used in publications and promotional materials. **Important Reminder:** Photos, images and media may appear in electronic form on the Internet or in other publications outside of 4-H Ontario's control.

Tick this box if you DO NOT consent to the use of images of yourself and/or your son/daughter/ward as indicated above

For participants 18 years of age or older, as well as parents/guardians: I, hereby:

- Consent to the collection of the personal information set out above, including the personal health information, (collectively the "personal information") for the purposes specified;
- Agree that the personal information is true, complete, accurate and correct;
- Release 4-H from any claims arising as a result of any false or incomplete personal information;
- Agree that the participant is in good health and is able to participate in all activities of 4-H except as noted in the personal information; and
- Agrees to notify 4-H if the participant is exposed to an infectious disease at any time during the three weeks prior to the commencement of the activity in which the participant will participate.

I Agree/Consent  I DO NOT Agree/Consent

**CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE:** I have taken care to notify 4-H of any special needs/considerations for my child as previously outlined above. I understand that participating in 4-H Ontario is voluntary and involves a certain degree of risk concerning some 4-H activities. After considering the risks involved, and having full confidence that reasonable precautions will be taken to ensure the safety and well-being of my child, I grant permission for my child to participate in 4-H activities.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 5: 4-H ONTARIO CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT**

As a positive youth development organization, it is our goal to provide safe, fun and inclusive experiential learning opportunities for youth. 4-H Ontario has outlined the following expectations in a general code of conduct by which all those participating in 4-H programming must abide. This code applies to: youth at 4-H activities, parents/guardians of 4-H youth, 4-H volunteers, 4-H staff, and any other adults participating in the 4-H program.

**As a part of this positive youth development program I will:**

1. Always put the health, safety and best interests of youth first.
2. Be respectful and courteous. Use appropriate language that is polite, non-judgmental and kind. Act as a positive role model for those around me by leading by example. This includes good sportsmanship.
3. Respect other people’s privacy and boundaries as well as the facilities used for 4-H activities.
4. Make all reasonable efforts to be inclusive by welcoming others and taking into consideration others opinions.
5. Work cooperatively with youth, families, volunteers, staff and others. Encourage others to do the same. Make efforts to resolve any interpersonal conflict that may arise whether with youth, parents, volunteers, staff or other adults, demonstrating positive conflict resolution skills for youth.
6. Wear clothing that is neat, clean and acceptable in appearance, as appropriate for a 4-H event.
7. Handle funds and fundraising in an ethical manner. Funds must be expended for 4-H purposes and must not be kept in a personal bank account. Accurate records must be maintained.
8. Refrain from using drugs and/or alcohol during any 4-H event held for attendance by 4-H youth.
9. Treat animals humanely and provide appropriate care according to industry codes of practice.
10. Follow 4-H Ontario standards for the use of social media.
11. Respect any guidelines set by your club, local association, regional, provincial and national 4-H program.
12. Notify your local 4-H Association of any incident that causes concern. Report and document any suspicions and/or disclosure of abuse to the authorities.

**As a part of this positive youth development program I will not:**

1. Use profanity, shout or display disrespectful conduct.
2. Harass, ridicule, discriminate against or attack others (this includes verbally, in writing or by the use of social media).
3. Threaten violence or harm anyone whether through sexual harassment, physical force, verbal abuse, mental abuse, neglect, bullying or other harmful experiences.
4. Touch anyone in an inappropriate way or engage in sexual behaviour.
5. Engage in any behaviour that negatively impacts the 4-H program and brand.

To truly be an organization of leaders building leaders, each individual is expected to follow the code of conduct. It is the responsibility of all program participants to reinforce the code of conduct and intervene with leadership when necessary. Consequences for violating any part of this code are grounds for suspension or dismissal from the club/activity/or 4-H Ontario program. In case of dismissal, no portion of fees will be refundable. Volunteers who are dismissed are no longer considered “in good standing”.

***This Code applies to all those participating in the 4-H program. However, we do specifically ask 4-H youth, parents/guardians, and volunteers to sign here to indicate they have reviewed and understand the Code.***

<p><b>For participants of all ages:</b> (Youth, Volunteers, and Parents/Guardians): I have reviewed this Code of Conduct and I agree to abide by this Code. I understand that any breach of the 4-H Ontario Code of Conduct could be cause for dismissing me from the activity and/or from the 4-H Ontario program.</p>	<p><b>For parents/guardians of participants under 18:</b> I have reviewed this Code of Conduct with my child and he/she agrees to abide by this Code. We both understand that any breach of the 4-H Ontario Code of Conduct could be cause for dismissing the child from the activity and/or from the 4-H Ontario program.</p>
<p>_____ Signature of Participant                      Date of signature</p>	<p>_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian                      Date of signature</p>

**Please submit this form to the organizer leading the 4-H activity in which you are involved. (4-H club, provincial or national opportunity, etc).**

**Privacy Statement**

Ontario 4-H Council (“4-H Ontario”) Privacy Statement - 4-H Ontario respects the privacy of its members, volunteers, donors, sponsors, staff and stakeholders. We are committed to ensuring that appropriate measures and safeguards are in place to protect specific information that is held for the purpose of 4-H Ontario programs. We adhere to legislative requirements with respect to privacy. We do not rent, sell or trade mailing lists. If at any time you wish to be removed from any of our contact lists, simply contact us by phone at 519-856-0992, toll free at 1-877-410-6748, by fax at 519-856-0515 or via our website at [www.4-H Ontario.ca](http://www.4-H Ontario.ca). We will gladly accommodate your request. For further information regarding our commitment to privacy, please contact 4-H Ontario’s Privacy Officer at: [privacy@4-hontario.ca](mailto:privacy@4-hontario.ca).