

Release and Indemnification Agreement

The person named on this registration form wishes to participate in the Hiking Award Program sponsored by the Walworth/Jefferson County Chapter of the Ice Age Trail Alliance, Inc. The Alliance and its officers and directors and the Program sponsors, volunteers and chapter officers and members (collectively the "Alliance") wish to ensure to the fullest extent possible that they are not sued or held liable for injuries or damages sustained by participants or those participating in the Program. I make this release and agreement on my behalf of anyone else who would be able to sue if I were injured while participating in the Program.

I agree and acknowledge as follows (1) Participation carries with it some risk of serious injury. The risks include but are not limited to those caused by overexertion, vehicular traffic, the weather, facilities, equipment, the Alliance and other participants; (2) I assume all risk of participation in the Program; (3) I understand the Alliance is relying upon the agreements and representations I make on this form; (4) I release the Alliance from any and all claims, including negligence claims and claims relating to personal injury of property arising out of my participation in the Program except I do not release reckless or intentional tort claims; (5) I agree to indemnify the Alliance if I or anyone else brings a claim against the Alliance for injuries I receive due to my participating in this Program. ("indemnify" means to reimburse the Alliance for any amounts they have to pay and expenses/fees they incur due to an injury claim relating to me); (6) I have read this document and understand it.

If I am under age 18, my parent or guardian is signing on my behalf, and my parent or guardian also agrees to indemnify the Alliance if I or anyone else brings a claim against the Alliance due to injuries I receive due to my participating in the Program. With knowledge of the risks involved and the rights I give up, I waive the rights I might otherwise have and I freely sign this document.

DATE SIGNED _____

PARTICIPANT'S
SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S
SIGNATURE _____

Hiking Tips

The best hikes begin with research and planning. Be prepared for variable weather. Local forecasts can be obtained from the National weather Service: weather.gov

The Ice Age Trail is marked with yellow blazes placed on trees and posts. Some sections of the trail share routing with other trails so there is the possibility of taking the wrong trail. Be sure to watch for the yellow blazes and double check the map that's included in the Kettle Trekker registration packet.

For information on the Ice Age Trail throughout Wisconsin there are two publications available: *The Ice Age Trail Companion Guide* and *The Ice Age Trail Atlas*. These publications show you the location of nearby towns, roads and accommodations. They can be borrowed from local libraries or purchased through the Ice Age Trail Alliance website at www.iceagetrail.org. The Alliance website also provides contact information for the coordinators of each Ice Age Trail chapter. Shuttles can be set up by contacting the chapter coordinator Andy at 262-949-0286.

Safety Guidelines for hikers:

- *Leave a trip itinerary with family or friends
- *Stay in contact with someone to let them know your location
- *Carry a cell phone, but be aware it may lose its signal on remote sections of the trail.

Campgrounds and Museums

Kettle Moraine State Forest Southern Unit
Headquarters, Eagle, WI. 262-594-6200
www.wiparks.net (Ice Age Museum)

Whitewater Lake campground
Hickory Woods Group Camp
Backpack Shelter 3

Be A "Kettle Trekker"

Walworth/Jefferson County Chapter
Ice Age Trail Alliance

Hiking Log and Award Program

Challenge yourself to hike the 26.2 miles of the Ice Age National Scenic Trail in Walworth and Jefferson Counties. Record your progress and receive a Kettle Trekker patch and certificate

Segments:

Blue Spring Lake Segment
Blackhawk Segment
Whitewater Lake Segment
Clover Valley Segment

