

CANOE/KAYAK RENTALS

at the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center

We Tipped Over! What Do We Do?

First, remain calm. It is not the end of the world. Most of Marshy Creek is shallow enough to stand up in (depth ranges from 6 inches to 6 feet.) Canoes float even when filled with water. Should you tip over, try to stand. If you can stand, simply turn your canoe over and carefully re-board it. This method can also be done while swimming. Re-board the canoe one person at a time, with someone stabilizing the canoe at all times. If this does not work for you, simply walk or swim the canoe to shore and attempt to re-board from there.

Hold Harmless Contract

The person renting the canoe, the Renter, agrees and affirms that s/he shall hold the Wildfowl Trust of North America (WTNA), its Agents, Directors, Trustees, and Staff harmless from any liability resulting in property damage, personal injury or death occurring as a result of accidents to their person or property, resulting from any cause whether it be from negligence, misinformation, lack of experience, or acts of God arising as a result of canoe usage at WTNA.

The Renter further agrees to reimburse WTNA for any loss of equipment or damage to the canoe or equipment provided for their use. The Renter further agrees to abide by all of The Marshy Creek Canoe Trail Rules & Procedures established by WTNA for the use of its canoes (see below.)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Co-Signed: _____ Date: _____

The Marshy Creek Canoe Trail Rules & Procedures:

- **Everyone must sign a Hold Harmless Contract before canoeing.**
- **Lifejackets must be worn at all times. Paddles and lifejackets are provided.**
- **Use of the canoes is free for WTNA members (who have priority for use).**
- **The fee for nonmembers is \$10 per canoe.**
- **Nonmembers must also pay the daily admission fee in addition to the rental fee.**
- **Canoes may not leave the dock after 3:00pm.**
- **Reservations are encouraged, as canoes are available on a first come, first serve basis.**

CBEC STAFF CHECK-OFF SHEET FOR CANOE USAGE & RENTALS

Date: _____

Canoer 1:

Name _____

Street Address _____	City _____	State _____	Zip Code _____
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E-Mail _____

Canoer 2:

Name _____

Street Address _____	City _____	State _____	Zip Code _____
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E-Mail _____

_____ Canoer(s) is a member of WTNA, canoe use is free.

_____ Renter is not a member of WTNA, but has paid the daily admission & canoe rental fees.

The canoe(s) to be used was noted to have the following damage for which the Member(s)/Renter(s) is not responsible:

The following equipment was issued to the Member(s)/Renter(s) and returned in good condition:

ITEM: _____	QUANTITY: _____
OUT: _____	RETURNED: _____

_____ The Hold Harmless Contract was signed by the Member(s)/Renter(s).

_____ The weather forecast for the hour of _____ which was _____ was explained to the Member(s)/Renter(s).

CBEC Employee _____ Date _____