

# 4-H ONTARIO PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT FORM # 6.8



In 4-H, participants include both Members and Volunteers. We therefore ask that both Members and Volunteers complete the Participant Agreement Form in order to participate in the 4-H program. If the participant is under 18 years of age, the parent/guardian should complete this form prior to the participant's involvement in their first 4-H activity. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify/update the 4-H Volunteer of any changes to the information on this form.

Within the Participant Agreement Form, some information that is requested may be sensitive in nature. 4-H staff and Volunteers collect a variety of information in order to ensure the connection, safety and care of all participants. The purpose of the information collected here is to provide 4-H Ontario with the information needed to facilitate 4-H activities, and to be able to respond in the event of an emergency. This information is also used to keep Members and Volunteers up to date on activities within 4-H Ontario including programs, services, and initiatives. Information will be gathered, stored and destroyed in accordance with the Canada Health Act and privacy laws.

## SECTION 1: PARTICIPANT CONTACT INFORMATION (Please check all that apply)

NEW   
  RETURNING   
  MEMBER   
  VOLUNTEER   
  STAFF

4-H Ontario ID # (if applicable):	Local Association:
Participant Full Name (First Middle Last):	Preferred Name (i.e. Chris instead of Christopher):
Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Address:	City/Town:
Province:	Postal Code:
Home Phone:	Work Phone:
Cell Phone:	Email Address:

## SECTION 2: PARTICIPANT RELATIONSHIPS

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

Full Name (First Middle Last):	4-H Ontario ID # (if applicable):
Home Phone:	Relationship to Participant:
Alternate Phone:	Email:
Mailing Address (if different from above):	

### Secondary Contact

Full Name (First Middle Last):	4-H Ontario ID # (if applicable):
Home Phone:	Relationship to Participant:
Alternate Phone:	Email:
Mailing Address (if different from above):	

**SECTION 3: HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION**

This information is **voluntary** and participants are not required to complete this portion of the Participant Agreement Form, however, this information is gathered for communication with health care providers in the event of an emergency. Please include any information that 4-H activity organizers may require to ensure the participant's safety, and a positive 4-H experience.

**3 A) Emergency Contact (If parent/guardian not available)**

Name:	Relationship to Participant:
Phone:	Alternate Phone:

**3 B) Health Care Provider of Member**

Physician/Medical Practice Name:	Phone:
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**3 C) 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.

**Medical / Behavioural**

Description/Details:
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**Allergies**

- Drugs
  Environmental:
  Food
  Other

Description/Details:
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**Dietary Requirements**

- Vegetarian/Vegan
  Celiac/Gluten Free
  Lactose Free
  Other

Description/Details:
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**SECTION 4: MEDIA RELEASE**

While participating in 4-H activities, photos and videos of participants will be taken. These photos are typically used to record memories and promote 4-H. Please indicate below your consent to the use and reproduction by 4-H Ontario (representing the Ontario 4-H Council, 4-H Ontario Associations and Ontario 4-H Foundation) of any and all photographs, video recordings and audio recordings taken of myself or my child for use on 4-H websites, in print and other media for the purposes of promotion, illustration, advertising or publication and without compensation. All such photographs, video recordings and audio recordings and all recorded media, prints and created media from the content shall constitute the property of 4-H. In addition, the undersigned hereby consents to authorize the publication of the name of the participant. **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.

- I consent.
  I DO NOT consent.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Adult Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

**For participants under age 18:** The undersigned hereby certifies that as the parent or guardian of 4-H participant I give my consent on his/her behalf.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

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

4-H Ontario is dedicated to the personal development of youth while providing a positive impact on Members, Volunteers and communities in Ontario. In order to achieve this mission, the 4-H Ontario Code of Conduct applies to all participants of the 4-H program in Ontario (all Staff, Volunteers and Members). It addresses the general rules of conduct necessary to maintain the standards of the 4-H program. To truly be an organization of leaders building leaders, each individual is expected to follow the code of conduct. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the 4-H Ontario Club/activity/program. In case of dismissal, no portion of fees whatsoever will be refundable. Interpretation of this code is at the discretion of 4-H Ontario and/or those 4-H Volunteers and/or staff responsible for the activity, in consultation with others as appropriate.

1. 4-H participants will respect, adhere to and enforce rules, policies and guidelines established by the national, provincial, regional and local 4-H governing Associations and Councils.
2. 4-H Members, Volunteers, guests and stakeholders shall be treated using appropriate and courteous manners as the participant himself or herself would like to be treated while ensuring respect for people and property.
3. A positive 4-H image is expected at all times. 4-H participants will conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner, exhibit good sportsmanship, and act as a positive role model for those around them. Behaviour must be conducive to a friendly, safe and fun learning environment.
4. Emotional, physical, verbal, mental or sexual abuse of any individual participating/attending a 4-H event/activity will not be tolerated, nor is the use of profanity, crude remarks or actions.
5. Maintaining the privacy of 4-H participants is important. Respect will be given to the confidential nature of information received regarding fellow 4-H participants and 4-H program affairs.
6. Any acts of discrimination and/or harassment on the basis of race, nationality or ethnic origin, colour, age, religion, family status, sexuality or disability is unacceptable.
7. Possession and/or use of alcohol, illegal drugs or illegal inhalants is forbidden by participants (regardless of age of majority) at activities held for attendance by 4-H Members. Any disregard for this policy will result in disciplinary action.
8. 4-H participants will regard it as their personal duty to know their 4-H responsibilities thoroughly and are expected to be responsible to their peers.
9. 4-H participants will ensure that outside interests do not jeopardize their judgment and competence as contributing 4-H participants. 4-H participants will strive to the best of their abilities to promote the motto "Learn To Do By Doing" and the philosophies of the 4-H program while participating in a 4-H activity.
10. Local 4-H Associations and/ or programs may have additional guidelines and/or policies that need to be adhered to. It is the responsibility of the 4-H participant to ensure that he/she is aware of and understands these additional rules and responsibilities.

**For participants of all ages (Youth (Member and Non-Member) and Volunteers):** 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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

**For parents/guardians of participants under 18:** 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.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

**SECTION 6: CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE**

**For participants under 18:** In permitting my child to participate in 4-H activities, I, the undersigned permit my child to participate in the full range of activities. I authorize that if I, the undersigned is incapable or cannot be reached within a reasonable period of time during a medical emergency, as determined by 4-H, 4-H is granted permission to designate the emergency personnel to the 4-H Volunteer, in the event of an accident or illness affecting the child to authorize on my behalf all procedures (including admission to the hospital) and necessary treatment herein as he/she may deem essential for the care and well-being of the child. Such action is to be only when immediate contact with the parent/guardian cannot be made.

I have read and understood the above policies and 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 become a Member of 4-H Ontario and participate fully in its activities.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

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

1. Consents to the collection of the personal information set out above, including the personal health information, (collectively the "personal information") for the purposes specified;
2. Represents to 4-H Ontario, the Ontario 4-H Council and Ontario 4-H Foundation (together "4-H") that the personal information is true, complete, accurate and correct;
3. Releases and indemnifies 4-H from any claims arising as a result of any untruth, incompleteness, inaccuracy or incorrectness of the personal information;
4. Represents 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
5. 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;

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Signature of Participant/Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

***Please submit a paper copy with your signature.***

**Youth Participants (Members and Non-Members):** Please submit it to the event organizer leading the activity (4-H Club leader, or Regional event organizer, etc.).

**Volunteers:** Volunteer gives the form to the organizer of the activity in which that Volunteer is engaged:

- A) If you are volunteering with a Club, the form should be kept in the club binder with all forms of that club
- B) If you are volunteering with Board activities, the form should be kept by the Board Secretary
- C) If you are volunteering with a Regional or Provincial opportunity, the form should be kept by the event organizers
- D) If you are volunteering or attending a National 4-H event, submit to the National event organizer

***Thank-you for taking the time to complete this Participant Agreement Form.***

**PRIVACY STATEMENT**

4-H Ontario respects the privacy of our Members, Volunteers, donors, sponsors 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 the 4-H program. 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 (519-824-0101 ext. 470, toll free at 1-877-410-6748, by fax at (519) 824-8759 or via our website at 4-HOntario.ca. We will gladly accommodate your request. For further information regarding our commitment to privacy, view our privacy statement online at [www.4-hontario.ca/privacy-policy](http://www.4-hontario.ca/privacy-policy) or contact 4-H Ontario's Privacy Officer at [privacy@4-HOntario.ca](mailto:privacy@4-HOntario.ca).