



## Safety Information, Release & Waiver Of Liability

*IOWATER snapshot sampling volunteers must recognize the potential for injury to themselves and their real and personal property, and to other persons and their real and personal property, which may result from volunteer activities conducted under the IOWATER Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program. The Department intends that citizen monitors expressly assume all risks and liability for any injuries to, or caused by, citizen monitors under the IOWATER program.*

*This affects any rights you may have if you are injured or otherwise suffer damages while participating in any activity in conjunction with activities sponsored by IOWATER.*

*Citizen monitors will be instructed in proper sampling techniques and handling of all equipment used during a snapshot sampling event. They also will be cautioned that if there is ever any doubt, they should give safety priority over sampling.*

**Are you 18 years old or over?**  Yes  No – *a legal parent/guardian must also sign this form*

The volunteer and parent/legal guardian(s), by signing below, recognize that IOWATER Snapshot Sampling Events involve some risk and that she/he takes responsibility for all action or injury that may result in participating in water monitoring activities. **All children under 18 must have a parent/legal guardian signature(s) below.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (volunteer name) and \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/legal guardian name), hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the State of Iowa, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, county or other agencies, partners, cooperating landowners, event volunteers and coordinators, sponsors, and any of the offices, servants, agents and employees of the above-mentioned entities (hereinafter referred to as "RELEASEES") for any liability, claim and/or cause of action arising out of or related to any loss, damage or injury, including death, that occurs as a result of \_\_\_\_\_'s (volunteer name) participation in IOWATER monitoring activities.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the RELEASEES whether injury is caused by \_\_\_\_\_'s (volunteer name) negligence, the negligence of the RELEASEES or the negligence of any third party. I further agree that this Release and Waiver of Liability shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representatives, if I am deceased, and shall be deemed as a RELEASE, WAIVER, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the above-named RELEASEES. I hereby further agree that this Release and Waiver of Liability shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa.

I understand that photographs may be taken during IOWATER activities may be used in the future to chronicle and publicize these events.

**By signing this Release and Waiver of Liability,  
I state that I have read and understand the conditions set forth in this Release  
and that I agree to all conditions set forth herein, and that I sign this voluntarily.**

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Signature of Volunteer

Printed Name of Volunteer

Date

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Signature(s) of  
Parent/Legal Guardian

Printed Name(s) of  
Parent/Legal Guardian

Date