

Sussex Woodsman

Traditional Skills In A Digital World

Code of Conduct & Acknowledgement Of Risk

Due to the very nature of country crafts & green working, the same elements that contribute to the unique character of these activities can be causes of loss or damage to your equipment, accidental injury or illness, or, in extreme cases, permanent trauma or loss of life.

Sussex Woodsman has taken all reasonable steps to provide you with the appropriate equipment for the activities being undertaken, in order that you may enjoy an activity for which you may not be skilled and we wish to remind you these activities are not without risk and certain risks cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of these activities. It is important for you to know and to understand in advance, what to expect and to be informed of the inherent risks of undertaking activities in a wilderness environment . The following list describes some, but not all, of those risks:

Risks include, but are not limited to:

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| ◆ <i>Cuts, bruises & amputations</i> | ◆ <i>Puncture wounds</i> | ◆ <i>Burns & scalds</i> |
| ◆ <i>Sprains, slips, trips & twists</i> | ◆ <i>Exposure to wild plants, animals & insects</i> | ◆ <i>Insect bites</i> |
| ◆ <i>Exposure to the elements</i> | ◆ <i>Physical & mental exhaustion</i> | ◆ <i>Loss or damage to personal belongings & equipment</i> |
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All persons undertaking a course of any duration with Sussex Woodsman accept that for the duration of the course, he/she are required to submit to the reasonable instructions of the instruction staff. We operate a zero tolerance policy towards disorderly or abusive behaviour. Substance misuse will result in you being removed from the course with immediate effect, a pupil may be removed if we feel they are incapable of meeting the demands of the course. In such circumstances a client will **not** be entitled to a refund of any monies paid and Sussex Woodsman will not be liable to any losses.

In consideration of the services of Sussex Woodsman, their instructors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, and all other persons or entities associated with same, I agree as follows:

I am aware that the activities taught by Sussex Woodsman may entail the risks mentioned above, which may lead to injury or in extreme cases permanent injury or death, furthermore I understand that the description of these risks is not complete and that other unknown or unanticipated risks may result in injury, permanent or otherwise or death. I agree to assume responsibility for the risks identified herein and those risks not specifically identified. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary and I elect to participate in spite of the risks.

I certify that I am fully capable of participating in this activity & I assume full responsibility for myself for bodily injury, death, and loss of personal property and expenses thereof as a result of those inherent risks and dangers and of my negligence in participating in this activity, further more I agree and acknowledge that I will follow the instruction & guidance of the officers, agents, employees & volunteers of Sussex Woodsman at all times.

I acknowledge I am not relying on any oral, written, or visual representations of statements made by Sussex Woodsman including those made in its brochures, web site, or other promotional material, to induce me to participate in this activity.

I understand that in consideration of participating in the course and that by signing this Consent Form, I indemnify Sussex Woodsman, its officers and staff and declare the following:

That I am of sufficient physical fitness to participate in the course, that I agree to abide by the safety policies as set out by Sussex Woodsman at all times, that I recognise that the course has inherent risks, including injury and possible loss of life and Sussex Woodsman, its officers, instructors and staff are hereby indemnified against any claim for injury to my person or loss of life, both now and at any time in the future by myself, my heirs or beneficiaries.

That Sussex Woodsman, its Instructors and staff will not be held liable to me now or at any time in the future for any loss, expense, damage or claim that I might have against them for any damage to my person or property as a result of my participating in this course.

I have read, understood, and accepted the terms and conditions stated herein and acknowledge that this agreement shall be effective and binding upon myself, my heirs, assigns, personal representatives, estate and for all members of my family.

Signature of Participant: _____ Print Name: _____

Date: _____