## **RISK AND EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY**

BC Mountain Guides will do their best to manage risk and the associated hazards with mountain travel. The mountains are a very dynamic environment and you as the client must understand that all hazards and associated risks cannot be 100% controlled. By hiring a guide you understand that the guide does not have 100% complete control over all hazards and risks. At BC Mountain Guides we will operate under our scope of practise determined by the ACMG and IFMGA. By hiring BC Mountain Guides you understand that our goal is to recognize as many hazards as we can and either eliminate it or adjust to lower the hazard to an acceptable risk. BC Mountain Guides are certified to the highest level and hold years of experience in the mountains. We will do our best to safe guard our clients against any hazards.

## BACKCOUNTRY SKIING AND BOARDING

## **Avalanches**

The terrain we ski/ride in is uncontrolled, unmarked and not inspected.

Avalanches can occur in the terrain we operate in and can be caused naturally or by humans and animals. Anyone caught in an avalanche or is compromised by any other hazards is at risk of injury, death or damaged/loss of property.

## Other hazards.

Many other hazards exist in the mountain environment. Our goal is to educate and teach the client some rules that will help in hazard recognition and avoidance. The guide will also continuously look and to the best of their ability identify any hazards.

Some other hazards include but are not limited to.

•Cornice fall

•Glaciers, crevasses and bergshrunds.

•Cliffs

•Trees, tree wells, forest dead fall and tree stumps

•Creeks

•Rocks & boulders

•Holes and depressions on or below the snow surface

•Variable and difficult snow conditions

•Snowcat roads and road banks

•Fences and other man-made structures

•Snow immersion

- •Impact or collision with other persons, vehicles or objects
- •Encounters with domestic or wild animals

•Loss of balance or control

•Slips, trips and falls

•Becoming lost or separated from one's party or guide.

•Equipment failure.

•Negligence of client or others.

•Infectious Disease.

•Rescue complications.

•Weather

•Ability

•dehydration and calorie intake.

<u>BC Mountain Guides ask that any Avalanche Transceivers used by a client is within 5years old.</u> <u>Probes and shovels must be excellent working order.</u>