

## **COVID-19 LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

## **Traveler Liability**

Travelers to BFREE are responsible for charges due to the pandemic, including, but not limited to, costs for country entry to both Belize and the USA, requirements to quarantine for a positive test result, COVID-19 testing, or flight changes. BFREE cannot and does not assume any responsibility for financial losses that may incur due to (but not limited to) cancellation of airline tickets, COVID testing, and quarantine expenses. Guests unwilling to comply with BFREE's COVID-19 Safety Requirements will have their reservation terminated and required to leave. There will be no refund of any portion of the price paid, used or unused, nor will BFREE be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by the guest due to their dismissal.

## **COVID-19 Assumption of Risk**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, is a worldwide pandemic as declared by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is confirmed to be spread mainly from person-to-person contact and by air. People reportedly can be infected and show no symptoms and therefore spread COVID-19. Evidence has shown that COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life-threatening illnesses and even death. As a result, the Belize government requires proof of negative COVID test for international travelers, mask-wearing, physical distancing, and other safety measures such as enforced curfews and closed land borders. Although BFREE will take appropriate measures to ensure that its activities will be conducted using recommended safety protocols, including physical distancing and enhanced disinfecting, BFREE cannot prevent you from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while traveling in Belize or staying at the BFREE Field Station. Therefore, if you choose to travel to Belize and BFREE, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

By signing this Agreement, I acknowledge I have read and understood the above warning about COVID-19. I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by traveling to Belize and the BFREE Field Station and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by traveling may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, BFREE employees, other participants, officers, agents, and members of the general public. Traveling to Belize and the BFREE Field Station is of such value to me that I accept the risk of being exposed to, contracting, and/or spreading COVID-19 in order to travel to Belize and the BFREE Field Station. All visitors to BFREE must be fully vaccinated (two weeks after a second dose of a two-dose vaccine series or two weeks after a single-dose vaccine series). Visitors to BFREE agree to share proof of vaccine by emailing a photocopy of their vaccine card no later than 14-days before arrival at the BFREE Field Station to contact@bfreebz.org along with a signed copy of this agreement.

**BFREE Visitor Print Name** 

BFREE Visitor Signature & Date (Parent or Legal Guardian Signature required if visitor to BFREE is under 18 years old)