

## The Ascending Path Domestic and International Adventure Application

Expedition/Climb: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing (Billing) Address:

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***For International Travel Only***

Name as it appears on Passport: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

All international trip prices are based on double or triple occupancy. If you are a single traveler, we will make every effort to place single travelers with same-sex roommates. However, if we are unable to make such arrangements due to incompatibility, roommate cancellation or other reasons you will be assessed a single supplement charge.

Do you desire single hotel accommodations?      **Yes**    **No**

**Payment Plan** (Please see our payment schedule below):

I am making a \$500 deposit to hold my domestic adventure reservation: **Yes**    **No**

I am making a \$1000 deposit to hold my international reservation: **Yes**    **No**

I am enclosing full payment: **Yes**    **No**

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks out to: The Ascending Path LLC.**

**We also accept Visa and MasterCard**

Payment by (Please Circle one):      **Check**              **Visa / MC**              **Money Order**

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this application to:

**The Ascending Path LLC.**

**Po Box 1279**

**Girdwood, AK 99587**

We will email you a receipt.

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### HEALTH and FITNESS

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

I can jog without distress: **1 mile**            **3 miles**            **5 miles**            **more**

I can easily walk with a daypack over: **4 hrs**    **8 hrs**            **12 hrs**            **more**

I regularly engage in the following sports/fitness programs:

\_\_\_\_\_

Sickness or injuries in the last 12 months: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list medications taken regularly or intermittently and reason why.

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any history of back or knee problems, heart or breathing conditions, altitude sickness, diabetes, or any other conditions relevant to your enjoyment of the expedition?

\_\_\_\_\_

Are you vegetarian?    **Yes**    **No**

Are there any foods you cannot eat or really like?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke?            **Yes**    **No**

Are there any health-related facts you think we should be aware of, allergies etc?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Person to notify in case of an emergency: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the highest altitude you have reached, and where? \_\_\_\_\_

Please give a brief description of your outdoor and/or climbing background or attach a climbing resume including peaks, routes and dates climbed. Include whether or not you reached the summit (or the highest elevation), and whether the climb was guided or unguided.

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Please tell us where you heard about The Ascending Path? \_\_\_\_\_

“All the above is true to the best of my knowledge.”

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND SIGN THESE POLICIES BEFORE  
SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION TO THE ASCENDING PATH LLC  
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISKS & PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

In consideration of the services of The Ascending Path LLC, its officers, agents, employees and stockholders, and all other persons or entities associated with those businesses (hereinafter collectively referred to as ("A.P.LLC")), I agree as follows: Although APLLC has taken reasonable steps to provide me with appropriate equipment, skilled guides and instructors so I can enjoy an activity for which I may not be skilled, The Ascending Path LLC has informed me this activity is not without risk. Certain risks are inherent and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the activity. These inherent risks are some of the same elements that contribute to the unique character of this activity and can be the cause of loss or damage to my equipment, or accidental injury, illness or in extreme cases, permanent trauma or death. The Ascending Path LLC does not want to frighten me or reduce my enthusiasm for this activity, but believes it is important for me to know in advance what to expect and to be informed of the inherent risks.

Some, but not all of these dangers are: the hazards of traveling in mountainous terrain and on glaciers, such as crevasse, rock, ice or other falls, altitude sickness, hypothermia, equipment failure and avalanche. Additional dangers may include accident or illness in a remote setting without timely (hours and/or days) medical evacuation to medical facilities and the communications to provide such services as well as forces beyond the control of APLLC such as the forces of nature, man, war, terrorism, flood, famine, bear, moose, or other wild beasts and any other force of nature. I am aware that mountaineering, rock climbing, trekking, glacier travel, ice climbing and wilderness experiences entail risks of injury or death to any participant. I understand that this description of these risks is not complete and that other unanticipated inherent risks, negligence, or instructional error may result in injury or death. I agree to assume and accept full responsibility for the inherent risks identified herein and those inherent risks not specifically identified. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, no one is forcing me to participate, and I elect to participate in spite of and with knowledge of the inherent risks. I acknowledge that engaging in this activity may require a degree of skill and knowledge different than other activities and that I have responsibilities as a participant and if I do not fulfill these requirements at any time for such reasons that would jeopardize the safety or increase the inherent risks of the agreed upon activity, APLLC has the right to cancel the trip or not allow my participation based on their knowledge and experience of the activity and its nature. Some, but not all the participant refusals and trip cancellations are, but not limited to: guide's and instructor's judgment, incomplete and uncompleted participation agreement, lack of proper attire and preparedness, health and medical conditions, physical ability, dangerous conditions, weather, and others not herein named. I acknowledge that APLLC has been available to more fully explain to me the nature and physical demands of this activity and the risks, hazards, dangers and potential outcome associated with this activity. I certify that I am fully capable of participating in this activity and may be pushed to my fullest capacity. Therefore, I assume and accept full responsibility for myself and all minor children in my care, custody and control, for bodily injury, death or loss of personal property and expenses as a result of those inherent risks and dangers identified herein and those inherent risks and dangers not specifically identified, and as a result of anyone's negligence in participating in this activity.

**Arbitration**

Any claim or controversy arising out of or relating to the agreement or the performance thereunder, including without limitation any claim relating to illness, injury or death, shall be settled by binding arbitration in Alaska in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association then existing and the Laws of Alaska State, and the judgment on the arbitration award, including reasonable attorney fees, may be entered in any court having jurisdiction over the subject matter of the controversy. This agreement to arbitrate does not waive or modify the liability release contained in the foregoing paragraph. I have carefully read, clearly 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 and estate and for all members of my family, including minor children.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**IF PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A MINOR**

I, as a parent or guardian of the below named minor, have discussed the nature of the activity, hazards, risks, and potential outcome with my child or ward and hereby give my permission for my child or ward to participate in the trip and further agree, individually and on behalf on my child or ward, to the terms of the above.

**Name of Minor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to Minor:** \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Guardian (Please circle one): **YES**                      **NO**

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### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

#### **Regular International Expeditions**

- At time of reservation, \$1000 due.
- 90 days from departure, Balance of trip cost due.

#### **Regular Domestic Expeditions**

- At time of reservation, \$500 due.
- 90 days from departure, Balance of trip cost due.

#### **Custom Trip Planning**

You will be charged a non-refundable \$100 fee to price and organize your custom trip. Payment must be made by check. The fee will be applied toward your deposit when you sign up for the trip. Full deposits are required as per the payment schedule.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

If you decide to cancel your trip, APLLC must be notified in writing (confirmed email okay). **Your trip will be cancelled from the date written notice is received.** You will be assessed a cancellation fee according to the following schedule. If proper written cancellation notice is not received, all amounts paid and any reservations made will be forfeited.

**Refunds:** In the event that you are unable to join us the following guidelines will apply. All deposits include a \$200 non-refundable registration fee. The 50% retained by APLLC can be credited towards another trip if used within 12 months. This policy has been established to meet the demands of planning well-organized courses and trips. If for any reason the trip ends early there will be no refund. If you have not paid in full 90 days prior to your trips departure, and you have not contacted us regarding other payment options, we reserve the right to schedule another individual in your place. In this event, you are responsible for any associated costs.

#### **If cancellation is received: International:**

More than 120 days from Trip Departure: \$200 Fee  
120 to 60 days from Trip Departure: \$500 Fee  
59 to 30 days from Trip Departure: 50% of Trip Balance  
Less than 30 days from Trip Departure: 100% of Trip Cost

#### **Domestic Expedition Cancellation:**

More than 90 days from Trip Departure: \$200 Fee  
60-89 days from Trip Departure: 50% Fee  
No refunds will be provided within 59 days of the trip date.

#### **If your trip is cancelled:**

If for any reason The Ascending Path LLC has to cancel your trip, all deposits and trip payments will be refunded in full, or, are fully transferable to another trip. Ideally we try to reschedule. PLLC is not responsible for expenses (e.g., nonrefundable airline tickets, visa fees, equipment, etc.) incurred by trip members in preparing for canceled trip, whether cancelled by APLLC or by trip members, or for any additional expenses should the trip members have embarked or returned prior to or after any scheduled date. APLLC is not responsible for expenses incurred due to any deviation from the schedule undertaken by choice of trip participant.

## CONDITIONS

**Route Changes:** It is possible that a route change may become necessary on the trip. Route changes will always be at the discretion of the guide. No refunds will be available in the event of any route or itinerary change.

**Postponement or Delay:** Delays and postponements in transportation sometimes occur. APLLC cannot be responsible for these at any time. Every effort will be made to minimize any inconvenience, but APLLC is not responsible for any additional costs that may arise.

**Responsibility:** Trip members are responsible for the cost of evacuations. Trip insurance, which includes emergency evacuation coverage, is strongly recommended. APLLC will take every care with client's baggage and property but is not liable for loss, damage, or delayed delivery. APLLC acts as an agent for the transport, accommodations, and services of the company supplying this trip. APLLC may not be held liable for non-performance of any such supplier. If the client is not able or willing to assume the above-mentioned risks, the client should purchase trip insurance. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

I (we) have read the foregoing policies and conditions of The Ascending Path LLC. and in signing this application, I understand and accept these policies.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*See you in the Mountains!*