

ISV22 symposium and excursions Liability Release Form

**Any outdoor adventure activity has inherent risks.
Please familiarise yourself with these below.**

By participating in any activity (such as travelling by motorised vehicle, hiking/walking, or caving) of the 22nd International Symposium on Vulcanospeleology (ISV22) be that guided or unguided, you acknowledge and accept the inherent risks and hazards of undertaking these outdoor activities.

Risks in undertaking these activities include but are not limited to personal injury or sickness due to exertion (heat exhaustion, dehydration, muscle strains or blisters), personal injury caused by the external environment and weather (hypothermia, sunburn, falling objects, tripping over obstructions such as rocks or tree roots or loose material underfoot), the natural hazards present within the Canary Islands (earthquakes, tsunamis, fires, landslides, or volcanic activity), or vehicle accident on the way to, or from, the activity.

By agreeing to participate in any activities of ISV22, you acknowledge and accept that these risks could result in your injury (mental or physical) or even death.

The organisers of ISV22 take all practicable steps to identify and minimize potential dangers. However, you must follow our instructions (and use the safety equipment provided) at all times.

Participants should be aware that it is their own responsibility to monitor their own health and safety and not go beyond their limits appropriate to their skill level, physical fitness, and technical conditions. Participants will not hold the ISV22 organisation nor their related entities (volunteers, guides, drivers or any helpers) responsible for any failure on part of the participants that lead to harm and/or injury.

Adults accompanying any person under the age of 18 must ensure that during any activity, the underage person is under their close supervision and follows all instructions at all times.

By participating in any ISV22 activity, be that guided or unguided, even if a guide is provided as part of your activity, final responsibility for your own wellbeing falls to you, and you release and indemnify ISV organisers against any liability we incur to anyone else, resulting from your failure to follow our instructions, the failure of any person accompanying you under the age of 18 to follow our instructions, the improper use of any and all equipment provided, or the incomplete or incorrect carrying out of instructions and /or warnings and in circumstances where you have surpassed the limit of your techniques and skills.

We reserve the right to refuse participation in any activity to any person who in our opinion is likely to endanger themselves or others.

Additionally, we reserve the right to cancel, amend, or adapt any activity if we become concerned for any reason for your safety or that of any other person, or that your behaviour may impact the safe running of the trip for yourself and others. You are not entitled to receive any compensation in the event of this occurring.

Please inform the organisation of ISV 22 and your guides about any medical conditions or other information we need to know to include you safely in this activity. For example, asthma, allergies, heart conditions, epilepsy or pregnancy.

Please read the following statements. By signing below and participating in the activity, you are agreeing to the statements below:

1. I/We accept there are inherent risks and hazards associated with participating in the activity and I/we understand what these risks are (including serious harm and death) as laid out in this Liability Release Form.
2. I/We confirm that I/we am/are physically and mentally fit to undertake this activity and suffer from no critical medical conditions that may be aggravated by the activity.
3. I/We will notify and disclose any medical conditions or prior injuries that may affect my/our ability to engage in the chosen activity to ISV22 organisers prior to partaking in the activity;
4. I/we understand that caving and walking in a volcanic environment is a strenuous activity and that I will be exerting myself during this excursion, and that if I am injured as a result of a heart attack, panic, hyperventilation, or any other medical condition that I expressly assume the risk of said injuries and I will not hold the organisers of ISV22 or related entities responsible for same.
5. I/We confirm that I/we will not be under the influence of intoxicating alcohol or drugs (be they legal or illegal) which may in any way impair my/our ability to undertake the activity.
6. I/We consent to receive any medical treatment that may be deemed necessary in the case of injury, or illness during the activity and to indemnify the ISV22 organisers and volunteers against any claims in respect of that treatment.
7. I/We agree not to commence any litigation or proceedings in any country in relation to the risks and perils I/we put myself/ourselves at and to indemnify all ISV22 organisers and volunteers against any such claim.
8. I/We agree that my/our successors, executors, administrators, and next-of-kin are bound by the Terms and Conditions and Risk Disclosure Agreement; And release by reading It before I signed It on behalf of myself or my Heirs.
9. I/We am/are aware of the Environmental Care Code: "Protect Plants & Animals, Remove Rubbish, Bury Toilet Waste, Keep Streams & Lakes Clean, Take Care with Fires, Camp Carefully, keep to any tracks, Consider Others, Respect Our Cultural Heritage. "Enjoy Your Visit!".
10. I/We understand this agreement and the inherent risks of these activities and wish to proceed with the activity at my/our own risk.
11. I/we hereby confirm that I/we have read and fully understood this document and am/are fully aware of the actions required of me/us and the consequences of signing it. 12. If English is not my/our first language, I/we further declare that I/we have read and fully understood all statements contained herein and that I/we sign this document voluntarily, of my/our own free will, and with full understanding.

We strongly recommend that you obtain comprehensive insurance covering any injury, illness, or financial loss you may suffer, including medical treatment and rescue costs, before undertaking these activities at ISV22 in the Canary Islands.

PARTICIPANT'S NAME(S)

First Name:

Last name:

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| <u>I declare to be also responsible for the following under-aged person(s):</u> | |
| First Name: | Last Name: |
| Date of Birth: | |

Email:

Emergency contact:

First Name:

Last Name:

Emergency contact's phone number:

Emergency contact's Email:

Travel - and caving insurance cover, company name and policy number:

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT:

DATE OF SIGNATURE:

Electronic Signature Consent

By checking here, you are consenting to the use of your electronic signature in lieu of an original signature on paper. You have the right to request that you sign a paper copy instead. By checking here, you are waiving that right. After consent, you may, upon written request to us, obtain a paper copy of an electronic record. No fee will be charged for such copy, and no special hardware or software is required to view it. Your agreement to use an electronic signature with us for any documents will continue until such time as you notify us in writing that you no longer wish to use an electronic signature. There is no penalty for withdrawing your consent. You should always make sure that we have a current email address in order to contact you regarding any changes, if necessary.