

CHILDREN OF WATAMU: THE HAPPY HOUSE HOME AND SCHOOL

VOLUNTEER DISCLAIMER FORM

As a volunteer, your safety and wellbeing is very important to us. Whilst we want to ensure that the time you spend with us is as safe and pleasurable as possible, Kenya is a developing country and you need to be aware of potential risks and hazards. Check with the Foreign Office or national equivalent for any updates.

Please read the information below carefully and ensure that you fully understand it.

I understand that volunteering with the Children of Watamu, at the Happy House and Happy House School does not constitute a legal relationship between myself as the volunteer and the Charity, and that the Charity will not accept any legal responsibility for any harm that may befall me whilst there.

I understand that the Charity will not be held responsible, in any way, for loss of life, limb, illness, injury or damage to volunteers whilst on placement, including from any of the following:

- Natural disasters and/or accidents resulting from these e.g. flooding, fire
- Political, civil, tribal or other unrest
- Accidents from any causes, including travel
- Any tourist activity
- Any stings, bites or other injuries from any mammals, reptiles or insects

I understand that it is my responsibility to arrange any insurance cover for theft or loss of any belongings and valuables and the Charity will not be held responsible for volunteers bringing with them any valuable equipment e.g. cameras, laptops, tablets, or expensive or sentimental jewellery or other valuables.

I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that I have adequate insurance cover for healthcare and repatriation services, and to inform the Charity of any particular or special medical, dietary or other health needs and how these are managed. It is also the responsibility of volunteers to bring with them adequate supplies of any prescribed medication, including malaria prophylaxis, sufficient for the duration of their stay. Volunteers should seek medical advice from their GP's Practice or travel clinic well in advance of travelling including having any necessary inoculations.

I understand that the Charity will not be held responsible for:

- Any shortfall of specialist medical care that may be necessary in the event of a serious accident or illness, or any delay in medical treatment being received.

- Any volunteer being diagnosed with any infectious disease, including the HIV/AIDS Virus, during or after their volunteer placement, whether arising from sexual intercourse or any other patient contact
- Any volunteer being diagnosed with any illness or medical condition as a result of contact with any staff member or any children cared for at the Happy House Home or School or with whom the Charity is working with more widely.
- Any theft, injury, physical, verbal or sexual abuse or harm inside or outside the grounds of the Happy House Home or School, including any unexpected anti-social behaviour from the Charity's staff, the children accommodated, other volunteers or any other person.

I wish to volunteer with the Happy House Home and School and confirm my acceptance of the above conditions.

Name in Full:

Signature:

Date: