

# CHUGACH POWDER GUIDES TOUR PARTICIPANT CONTRACT

## GIRDWOOD - 2012

### **MAKING A RESERVATION**

Chugach Powder Guides requires 50% of trip cost as deposit at time of reservation with the remaining balance due 90 days prior to the skiing date. If reservation is made within 90 days prior to ski date, payment is due in full. A deposit as well as a signed tour participant contract is required to confirm your reservation. **There are no exceptions.** The tour participant contract is a written acknowledgement of CPG's vertical, refund and cancellation policies. **Failure to pay final balance by the due date will result in the cancellation of your reservation and no refund will be given.**

### **SNOWCAT BACK-UP**

A guaranteed seat on the snowcat for no-fly days is an additional \$375.00 per person, per package. On no-fly days, you can expect a full day of snowcat adventure and your vertical account will only be charged 8,000 feet for each day used. If you opt for the snowcat back-up option, you are then committed to the seats reserved for you. **If you choose not to use your guaranteed seat, you will still be charged the 8,000 vertical feet. IF YOU DO NOT RESERVE SNOWCAT BACK-UP IN ADVANCE OF YOUR TRIP, AVAILABILITY CAN NOT BE GUARANTEED.**

### **HELI-SKI VERTICAL POLICY**

The charge for exceeding the package vertical footage is \$45 per 1,000 vertical feet. If we don't achieve the guaranteed package footage, the refund is \$35 per 1,000 vertical feet.

### **FUEL SURCHARGE**

Due to the volatile nature of the fuel market, it may be necessary to implement a fuel surcharge. Due to the volatile nature of the fuel market, CPG reserves the right to implement a fuel surcharge. The fuel surcharge is based on the US Gulf Coast Index for Kerosene-Type Jet Fuel Price that is reported by the US Department of Energy ([http://www.eia.doe.gov/pub/oil\\_gas/petroleum/data\\_publications/weekly\\_petroleum\\_status\\_report/current/pdf/table12.pdf](http://www.eia.doe.gov/pub/oil_gas/petroleum/data_publications/weekly_petroleum_status_report/current/pdf/table12.pdf)). A Fuel Surcharge may be added for increases in the base fuel prices as of Dec. 31 of the previous year. A \$0.21 for each 1,000 feet skied will be added for each percentage (%) increase.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

If it becomes necessary for you to cancel your reservation, Chugach Powder Guides requires written notice of cancellation via certified mail. Monies on account rolled over from previous years are non-refundable. If we receive cancellation notice more than six months prior to your skiing date, all monies on account will be refunded (other than monies rolled over from previous years) less a \$300 cancellation fee per seat. If cancellation notice is received less than six months prior to ski date, the deposit is non-refundable. If cancellation notice is received less than 90 days prior to ski date, all monies on account are non-refundable. All money on account is good for the **current season only**. Any change to a reservation date, if available, will be subject to a \$150 per person administrative charge. **\*\*These policies do not apply to money carried forward from a past reservation.**

### **REFUNDS**

Heli-Ski Packages are based on vertical achievement. If you should achieve your vertical maximum prior to the end of your package week, you have the option of not flying. If you choose to do this, **you must notify the reservation desk before the next fly day or you will be charged the vertical footage skied by your group for that day.** If you haven't achieved your maximum vertical footage and you choose to miss any skiing for any reason, you will be charged the vertical achieved by your group for that day.

No refunds are issued in part or in whole for unused days due to late arrival, early departure or any other reason. No refunds are issued for "down days". No refunds are issued for missed skiing due to skiing ability, fitness, equipment failure, or personal choice. If a skier becomes injured, ill, or requests to leave the field prematurely for any reason, no refund will be made. Additional costs resulting from an evacuation or early departure from the field will be charged to the guest. Monies on account from previous years are non-refundable.

Chugach Powder Guides reserves the right to cancel any ski week package or ski week at any time. In the case that Chugach Powder Guides issues a cancellation, a credit will be issued or your week will be rescheduled.

**AS WITH HELI-SKIING ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ANY HELI SKI WEEK COULD BE "SHUT OUT" DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS . IN THIS CASE, REFUNDS ARE BASED UPON THE ABOVE VERTICAL POLICY. A RATE OF \$35 PER 1,000 FEET WILL BE APPLIED TO THE GUARANTEED FOOTAGE OF YOUR PACKAGE (50,000 FEET FOR A PACKAGE 2 AND 80,000 FEET FOR A PACKAGE 1). THIS CONSTITUTES YOUR REFUND IN IT'S ENTIRETY. IF YOU CHOOSE TO HOLD YOUR CREDIT ON ACCOUNT FOR FUTURE USE, AN EXTRA 10% WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR CREDIT.**

## INSURANCE

Chugach Powder Guides **STRONGLY RECOMMENDS** that all guests purchase Trip Cancellation Insurance, Trip Interruption Insurance, Medical Insurance, and Emergency Evacuation Insurance. These insurance types safeguard you against unforeseen mishaps that can occur before or during your heli vacation with us. We suggest a travel insurance policy with a "Cancel for Any Reason" clause. This may allow you to cancel your trip for any reason you with up to 48 hours before you come and receive reimbursement (varies by policy and carrier). **OUR REFUND AND CANCELLATION POLICIES ARE ABSOLUTE. IF YOU INJURE YOURSELF BEFORE YOUR TRIP OR HAVE OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH CAUSE YOU TO CANCEL YOUR TRIP, YOUR PACKAGE WILL NOT BE REFUNDED BEYOND THE TERMS OF THE ABOVE POLICIES.** Depending on the carrier and the policy, such insurance is usually a small fraction of the overall package price and could reimburse you the entire cost of your trip in the event of your cancellation.

I understand and acknowledge that CPG recommends the Ultimate Flex Package and the purchase above insurance and:

Choose to purchase third party travel insurance for my trip \_\_\_\_\_ My intended Insurer is \_\_\_\_\_  
INITIALS

Choose not to purchase The Ultimate Flex Package or insurance for my trip with full knowledge that if I cancel before I come, become injured during my trip or have to cancel for any reason that I will not be refunded beyond the above policies. \_\_\_\_\_  
INITIALS

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge I have read the above policies (both pages), having had sufficient opportunity to do so, and understand them. I acknowledge that my reservation will not be confirmed nor my space secured until I have returned this signed contract with a 50% deposit. I understand that by signing this contract, I agree to be bound by its terms.

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**After completion please save and email as an attachment to [akoffice@epicquest.com](mailto:akoffice@epicquest.com) or print and fax to 907.783.4355.**