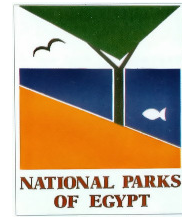


**LETTER OF AGREEMENT
DEALING WITH
RESEARCHERS, VOLUNTEERS & TRAINEES
IN THE NATIONAL PARKS OF EGYPT**



The following has been agreed

BETWEEN: The National Parks of Egypt, South Sinai protectorates Network
(Nature Conservation Training Centre), Sharm El Sheikh, South Sinai.

AND:

Name:

Passport number:

Contact of the researcher, volunteer or trainee (address, email, tel., mobile)

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If related to an Institution

Name:

Address:

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Contacts of the Institution and of the Director (address, email, tel., mobile)

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GENERAL CONDITIONS

Any research, voluntary or training activity in the area of competence of the relevant region of the National Parks of Egypt (NCS/EEAA) has to require ***prior approval of the Management Unit***. Participation to on-going activities is appreciated and does not need any further authorization. Development of other research or training activities is subject to authorization. An official request has to be sent to the ***Director of the Nature Conservation Sector (NCS)*** of the Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA) including a full description of the research or training programme (objectives, context, and period of realization, techniques, and method of sampling if any and of analysis). The acceptance of the request is subject to administrative procedures, bring reviewed by different authorities, including the National Parks of Egypt. Any researcher or volunteers do not get the approval before his arrival will be responsible about any delay or

cancellation of his/her research or activities after his/her arrival without any responsibility on EEAA. This agreement consists of three pages and the signature of the researcher, volunteer and trainee means that he/she agree upon all regulations included in this three pages agreement.

REGULATIONS AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. During their stay, any researcher, volunteer or trainee has to be registered and will have to respect scrupulously all the regulations of the National Parks of Egypt
2. The researcher, volunteer or trainee is fully aware and fully understand the risks inherent in working as a researcher, volunteer or trainee in the national park programme. He/she fully and solely assumes all of such risks. He/she will be responsible for his/her own insurance coverage during the period while being with the National Parks. This insurance will cover periods of travel to and from the National Parks.
3. In relation with the previous statement, the personnel of the National Parks and its donor support programmes cannot be responsible whether under statute or common law or otherwise for loss of life or any personal injury which I may suffer howsoever or whosoever caused or for any loss or damage to any baggage or personal belonging to me howsoever or whosoever caused.
4. The researcher, volunteer or trainee fully agree to indemnify the National Parks against any loss, cost or expenses arising out of, or connected with any damage caused by me, to the person, property or equipment of the National Parks.
5. I have no physical condition or disability, which, under the circumstances, would make it especially hazardous to me to work in the National Parks.
6. For researchers, volunteers and trainees that will stay in the Nature Conservation Training Centre, it is not allowed for any one using rooms in the Training Center to do any cooking inside the room in order to avoid any fire possibilities.
7. No change of the furniture inside the room of the Center without informing the management of the Training Center.
8. The bad use of the room which may lead to loss the quality of the room should be paid by the user of the room before his/her departure
9. In case of severe damage in the services of the Training Center by the users, at any level, the management of the Training Center can write its report on this damage and take a suitable decision against that person.
10. Jurisdiction or controversy arising hereunder shall be interpreted under the laws of the Arabic Republic of Egypt.
11. Assistance, in particular for transport, accommodation, equipment is subject to prior agreement and could be given if it does not interfere with the activities of the National Parks.
12. The National Parks of Egypt has all the rights to set any kind of penalties towards the researchers, volunteers and trainees that not fulfill all the regulations included within this agreement.

REGULATIONS FOR RESEARCHERS

- a) All research within the Protected Areas shall be subject to the normal rules and regulations applicable to all visitors.

- b) No specimens or samples shall be collected without prior approval in writing being obtained from the Nature Conservation Department inside the EEAA.
- c) Research to be undertaken by such graduate students will, so far as practicable and appropriate given the subject of the students degree, be on subjects of value to the EEAA, and relevant to the management of the Protected Areas.
- d) Students carrying out such research work may, subject to prior notification, enter the Protected Areas including the Ras Mohammed National Park, Nabq Managed Resource Protectorate, Taba Protected Area and Abu Galum Managed Resources Protectorate without charge, and also if necessary camp there, subject to site availability.
- e) The Nature Conservation Training Centre will be consulted in advance regarding the proposed research of all such students, and invited to comment on the outline plans for each period of work.
- f) A copy of all data (any form of data) collected by such students within the Marine Protected Areas shall be lodged with the library of the Nature Conservation Training Centre.
- g) The assistance and support of the EEAA shall be acknowledged in every thesis, project report and scientific publication produced by such students.
- h) A copy of every thesis, project report and scientific publication produced by such students will be lodged with the Nature Conservation Training Centre, it being understood by the EEAA that such reports are the unedited work of students and not professional reports provided by volunteers.
- i) The EEAA staff will endeavor to assist by providing additional support (transport, accommodation, etc.) for such students, especially those working on topics of direct relevance to the management of the protected areas, but it is understood that provision of such facilities is subject to availability and can not be guaranteed.
- j) Any staff of the National Parks of Egypt participates with any researchers on his/her work has all the rights to have his/her name on any papers or reports published by the researcher.
- k) The researcher after written submitted approval from the NCS manager should become under the supervision and jointly working with the National Park monitoring unit or the person from the National Parks who will be assigned for this task.
- l) The assigned National Park supervisor should have a complete copy of all the data in any form that collected by the researcher. Also, the analysis of all data should be treated jointly with the researcher National Park supervisor.
- m) Any publications, will come out as a product of the researcher activities during the period that he/she joins the National Parks of Egypt, should be reviewed and approved in writing firstly from the NCS manager before published.

Signatures

For the South Sinai Network of the
NCS/EEAA

For the Researcher, Volunteer or Trainee
Manager or Deputy Manager

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Date

Date