



# Chaperone Agreement

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life requires one chaperone over the age of 25 for every five youth team members. (For this event, a youth is considered anyone under age 18.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ *Optional*  I am a cancer survivor

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_ Team Captain's Name \_\_\_\_\_

The following guidelines are designed to help volunteers understand what behavior is expected while performing within the course and scope of an American Cancer Society volunteer leader/chaperone position. Volunteer leaders/chaperones are expected to abide by all American Cancer Society policies.

The goal of this American Cancer Society youth activity is to provide a safe, fun and positive experience for both youth and adults. As an adult participant, you play a valuable role in attaining this goal. Please read through this code of conduct and sign below.

## Adult volunteer/chaperone shall...

1. Respect the individual rights, safety, and property of others, and not use obscene and discriminatory language.
2. Not discriminate in any policies, procedures, or practices, on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, age, veteran status, medical condition, or disability.
3. Have a valid driver's license and carry proof of automobile liability insurance, if the volunteer leader is to use a motor vehicle to transport him- or herself or others. Also, insure that all passengers use seatbelts.
4. Be aware that lack of sleep can impair your ability and the ability of your participants to drive safely.
5. Not possess or use alcohol, tobacco, and/or illegal drugs (or be under the influence thereof) while involved in any American Cancer Society event, meeting, or activity.
6. Spend the night at the event and not leave their team unattended.

7. Not allow any youth to leave the event premises unless authorized by the youth's parent/guardian and notifying the Society staff partner and event chair.
8. If applicable, complete and keep on person the Youth Emergency Contact List.
9. Represent the American Cancer Society to youth and adults by conducting themselves courteously in manner and language, exhibit good sportsmanship, serve as a positive role model, and demonstrate reasonable conflict resolution skills.
10. Abide by all applicable American Cancer Society laws and rules, policies, and guidelines. This includes, but is not limited to, child abuse, fiscal management procedures, and substance abuse.
11. Accept supervision and support from salaried staff or designated management volunteers.
12. Accept the responsibility to promote and support the vision, mission, and values of the American Cancer Society.
13. Ensure that youth team members also follow ground rules and participate fully in all Relay For Life activities.
14. Participate in activities to the best of his or her ability, as well as attend at least one Relay For Life team captain meeting.
15. Appreciate the valuable role that youth play in the American Cancer Society.

***Chaperones will be notified of any violations of the ground rules itemized on the youth waiver. If the problem persists, the youth team member will be asked to leave the premises for the remainder of the event. In some cases, this may necessitate the chaperone calling the emergency contact person.***

**I have read this document, I understand its contents, and I agree to its terms. I also understand that if I do not follow the above guidelines, my participation in this American Cancer Society activity will be terminated.**

Chaperone's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_