Archipelago Zodiac User Certification And Agreement

By signing the user agreement form below, I hereby verify, acknowledge or agree to the following:

- 1. I have been authorized by Archipelago Marine Research Ltd. (Archipelago) to use this boat and associated equipment.
- 2. I certify that I and any other crew member operating this boat holds a current vessel operator competency certification according to the boat size and type and the waters it will be operating in as per the *Marine Personnel Regulations* (Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC) (or higher level) for a vessel <8m in sheltered waters or Near Coastal, Class 2 waters.
- 3. I agree to only operate this boat within Bish Cove and Emsley Cove, and understand that it is not to be used to transit between Bish Cove and Emsley Cove or any other water body beyond the headlands of each cove. Use in other areas requires prior approval from Archipelago.
- 4. I have up-to-date marine weather forecasts for my area of operation and deem the forecasts to be suitable for safe operation of the vessel and for the safety of its crew.
- 5. I will carry with me at all times during the use of the boat all mandatory safety equipment on board, including but not limited to PFDs for all passengers, survival kit(s), marine emergency first aid kit, 2 paddles, buoyant heaving/throw line, bailer, flashlight, sound signaling device, flares, anchor, and a marine hand-held VHF radio.
- 6. I have performed a full boat safety inspection and believe the boat, outboard and mandatory safety equipment to be in safe operating condition.
- 7. I have familiarized all crew with standard safety and communications equipment and procedures.
- 8. I verify that after each use the boat, outboard and safety equipment will be sufficiently cleaned and properly stowed in the storage locker, with the outboard placed in an upright position on its stand. Sufficiently cleaned includes, but is not limited to, rinsing the Zodiac and outboard with freshwater where possible, and removing any earth material (sand or gravel) from beneath the floorboards.
- 9. I agree that I will be responsible for any replacement and/or repair costs for reasonable damage to the equipment incurred while in my care and control. Reasonable damage means any damage that renders the equipment unsafe for use or would cause underperformance, including but not limited to hull punctures or tears and prop cracks or nicks.

OPERATOR NAME	DATE	AREA OF USE	SIGNATURE