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## GAULT NATURE RESERVE RESEARCH AGREEMENT

The following indicates the specific roles and responsibilities tied to the usage of the Gault Nature Reserve and Wilder and Helen Penfield Nature Conservancy.

### General Rules

1. All research and teaching projects must be registered and require the approval of the Director of the Reserve.
2. Any research or teaching activity that would threaten the integrity of the mountain ecosystem is forbidden. Permanent disturbances to the ecosystem are not allowed. Experimental manipulations have to be done locally and they must not involve long-lasting effects on the ecosystem.
3. The environment must be returned to its natural state on completion of the project. Please, remove flags, stakes and similar debris at the end.
4. All research material must be identified using this format: Researcher Initials, Project Year and Plot Number or Information.
5. Students and researchers must always be willing to take the time to respond to public inquiries about their work.
6. A copy of any publication resulting from research done at Gault or Penfield should be given to the Communication and Academic Manager [david.maneli@mcgill.ca](mailto:david.maneli@mcgill.ca).
7. Please use the buildings and materials in a respectable manner. Also, please report any defective equipment.
8. All alterations or changes to equipment or buildings are strictly forbidden.
9. The premises must be left in a reasonable state of cleanliness or additional fees will be charged for maintenance.
10. Researchers must ensure that the doors and windows be closed and locked during their absence from buildings. They must advise GNR staff if there are any problems.
11. The designated fire pits are the only locations where open, external fires are allowed.
12. It is not permitted to swim in the lake or bring pets.
13. Any use of candles is prohibited inside or outside.
14. Storage of equipment or samples at Gault or Penfield must be discussed with the Communication and Academic Manager prior to the start of the research project. Any equipment or samples left behind will be handled and managed by GNR staff.

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Signature:

Date: