

## **South Vancouver Island Mycological Society**

### **Policy for Mushroom Consumption**

Upon Joining SVIMS or renewing membership members will sign a waiver which will be witnessed and filed by the Executive member responsible for memberships. In addition to the waiver SVIMS requires that the participant:

1. is aware that there are risks to mushroom consumption,
2. is aware of some pertinent examples and that most edible mushrooms have look-alikes that may be toxic and even deadly,
3. agrees to abide by the rules as agreed to regarding mushroom consumption,
4. agrees to assume the unavoidable risks in return for the mushroom consumption experience, and
5. agrees not to hold the organizers, SVIMS, its officers or directors responsible for any unfavourable outcomes as a result of these unavoidable risks.

#### **Consumption Procedure:**

Those members participating in the organization and operation of SVIMS sponsored shall adhere to the following procedure:

1. mushrooms offered for consumption are carefully identified and checked by designated experts;
2. mushrooms served for consumption at SVIMS events such as the Survivors Banquet and Wild Mushroom Show must be clearly labeled as some people have allergies to species edible for most people; and
3. any mushrooms served to the general public are species considered to be generally safe for all.