

# COMMUNICATION AGREEMENTS SAMPLE

*From the Public Conversations Project*

## Regarding the spirit of our speaking & listening

We will speak for ourselves and from our own experience

We will not criticize the views of other participants or attempt to persuade them

We will listen with resilience, “hanging in” when what is said is hard to hear

## Regarding the form of our speaking & listening

We will participate within the time frames agreed upon

We will not interrupt except to indicate that we cannot hear a speaker

We will “pass” if we do not wish to speak