



PARTICIPANT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT MEMBERSHIP WAIVER FORM FOR ADULTS (AGE 18 OR OLDER)

Name _____

Date: _____

For and in consideration of United States Field Hockey Association, Inc. ("**USA Field Hockey**") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any USA Field Hockey sanctioned event, including, but not limited to, athletic competitions, games, tournaments, practices, camps, clinics, tryouts and related activities sanctioned by USA Field Hockey (**the "Event" or "Events"**); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (**the "Agreement"**);

1. I hereby represent that (i) I am at least eighteen (18) years of age or older; (ii) I am in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in the Event; and (iii) I am not under the influence of alcohol or any illicit or prescription drugs which would in any way impair my ability to safely participate in the Event. I agree that it is my sole responsibility to determine whether I am sufficiently fit and healthy enough to participate in the Event, that I am responsible for my own safety and well being at all times and under all circumstances while at the Event.
2. I understand and acknowledge the risks and dangers associated with participation in the sport of field hockey, the Events and related activities, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease, permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life; loss of or damage to equipment/property; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; contact with other participants, coaches, umpires, officials, spectators, animals or other natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from adverse weather conditions; imperfect field conditions; land, water and surface hazards; equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the Event Organizers; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("**Risks**"). I understand that these Risks may be caused in whole or in part by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Event, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses which I incur as a result of my participation in any Event.
3. I agree to be familiar with and to abide by the Rules and Regulations established for the Event, including but not limited to the Competitive Rules adopted by USA Field Hockey and any safety regulations established for the benefit of all participants. I accept sole responsibility for my own conduct and actions while participating in the Event.
4. I agree to abide by and be bound by the applicable USA Field Hockey Bylaws, Code of Conduct and Competition Rules and the SafeSport rules, policies and procedures promulgated by the U.S. Center for Safe Sport as they may be amended from time to time. I agree to be subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Center for Safe Sport and agree that any sanctions imposed by the Center extend to my participation in all USA Field Hockey events or activities and may be posted publicly and include information regarding the misconduct involved.
5. I understand and agree that the FIH Anti-Doping Rules and U.S. Anti-Doping Agency Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing (USADA Protocol) and all other policies and rules adopted by the FIH, USADA, and the USOC apply to me and that it is my responsibility to comply with those rules. I agree to submit to drug testing at any time and understand that the use of methods or substances prohibited by the applicable anti-doping rules would make me subject to penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification and suspension. If it is determined that I may have committed a doping violation, I agree to submit to the results management authority and processes of USADA, including arbitration under the USADA Protocol, or to the results management authority of the FIH and/or my national federation, if applicable or referred by USADA.
6. I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: USA Field Hockey, its member athletes/players, clubs, coaches, umpires, trainers, officials, national teams and futures regions; United States Field Hockey Foundation; United States Olympic Committee (USOC); the Event Owners, Directors, Organizers, Promoters, Sponsors and Advertisers; the Host Facility/Venue and the Property Owners or Operators where the Event takes place; Law Enforcement Agencies and other Public Entities providing support for the Event; and each of their respective parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, officers, directors, partners, shareholders, members, agents, employees and volunteers (**Individually and Collectively, the "Released Parties" or "Event Organizers"**), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss or expense (including



court costs and reasonable attorneys fees) of any kind or nature ("**Liability**") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the Event, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties. I further agree that if, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities which any may be incurred as the result of such claim.

I hereby warrant that I am of legal age and competent to enter into this Agreement, that I have read this Agreement carefully, understand its terms and conditions, acknowledge that I will be giving up substantial legal rights by signing it (including the rights of my spouse, children, guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns), acknowledge that I have signed this Agreement without any inducement, assurance or guarantee, and intend for my signature to serve as confirmation of my complete and unconditional acceptance of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

Signature

Date

Print Name