

# RUGGERFEST 49 PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS AND ASSUMPTION OF THE RISKS AGREEMENT.

This Participation Agreement and Waiver and Release of Liability is entered into between the undersigned "Participant" and Aspen Rugby Club, Inc., the City of Aspen, and the Eastern Rockies Rugby Football Union Referees Society (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Releasees").

In consideration for the privilege of participation of the Participant in Aspen Ruggerfest 49 Activities, Participant acknowledges and agrees as follows:

1. Participation in the activities of Aspen Ruggerfest 49, including but not limited to warm-up, training, practice, games, clinics, travel, and social events including alcohol consumption (referred to herein as the "Activities"), includes participation in a full-contact sport, requires good health and fitness and can be **HAZARDOUS AND PRESENT A DANGER TO PARTICIPANT**. Participant believes he/she is qualified to participate in Activities, and if at any time the Participant believes conditions to be unsafe, he/she will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activities.

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2. Participation in Activities exposes Participant to **RISKS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH**. Risks may arise out of contact and/or participation with other participants, spectators, equipment, field, facility and/or fixed objects; falls, collisions, rough play, and other mishaps; exposure to adverse weather conditions and/or high altitude; flaws and defects in equipment and facilities; irregular field conditions; and negligent field maintenance, negligent officiating, negligent coaching and negligent participation. Risks may be caused by the Participant's own actions, or inaction, the actions or inaction of others participants, the condition of the facilities in which the Activities take place, and/or **THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES."** Some Risks cannot be predicted or controlled. There may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time.

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3. Assumption of the Risks. **I CONSENT TO PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES AND FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES** incurred as a result of such participation.

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4. Waiver and Release of Liability. In consideration for the privilege of the Participant's participation in the Activities, the undersigned hereby **RELEASES, DISCHARGES, COVENANTS NOT TO SUE, AND AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS RELEASEES** from any and all liability, demands, losses, medical expenses, lost opportunities, damages or attorney fees and costs stemming from any or all claims for negligence, expressed or implied warranty, contribution, and indemnity, and/or claims of negligent rescue operations, first aid, and emergency care, to the broadest extent permitted by applicable law suffered by the Participant incurred on his/her account with respect to the Participant's personal injury and other injury or harm, disability, and/or death, or property damage, arising directly or indirectly from the Participant's participation in Activities, as caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the Releasees or any of them, and further agrees that if, despite this release, the Participant or any other person makes a claim on the Participant's behalf against any of the Releasees, **THE UNDERSIGNED WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LIABILITY, LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSSES, DAMAGES OR COSTS ANY MAY INCUR AS THE RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM, WHETHER ASSERTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED, THE PARTICIPANT, OR ANOTHER PERSON.**

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5. Governing Law, Venue and Jurisdiction: Participant understands and agrees this document is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under applicable law and shall be governed by Colorado law. In the event of a dispute, the exclusive venue and jurisdiction for any lawsuit arising out of such dispute shall be the state courts of Pitkin County. Federal venue and jurisdiction for any lawsuit is hereby waived.

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6. Severability: If any provision of this document is determined to be invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of any of the other provisions, which other provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this document had been executed with the invalid provision eliminated.

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**THE UNDERSIGNED PARTICIPANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT I HAVE COMPLETELY READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND ITS TERMS. THAT PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS AGREEMENT. I AM AWARE, BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I ASSUME ALL RISKS AND WAIVE AND RELEASE CERTAIN RIGHTS THAT I AND EACH OF MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, FAMILY, RELATIVES, GUARDIANS, CONSERVATORS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES AND ASSIGNS MAY HAVE AGAINST RELEASEES.**

Participant Signature

Printed Name

Date

Witness Signature

Printed Name

Date

**\*\*\*PLEASE PRINT, INITIAL, SIGN AND RETURN TO YOUR AFFILIATED CLUB\*\*\***