



PARTICIPANT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT MEMBERSHIP WAIVER FORM FOR MINORS (UNDER AGE 18) For and in consideration of United States Field Hockey Association, Inc. and Maine Elite Field Hockey ("USA Field Hockey" and "MEFH") allowing the minor identified below (the "Minor") to participate in any USA Field Hockey and MEFH sanctioned event, but not limited to, athletic competitions, games, tournaments, practices, camps, clinics, tryouts and related activities sanctioned by USA Field Hockey and MEFH (the "Event" or "Events"); I, for myself and behalf of the Minor, and the Minor's parents/legal 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 representatives pursuant to this Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (the "Agreement"); 1. I hereby represent that (i) I am the parent of legal guardian of the Minor; (ii) the minor is in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in the Event; and (iii) the Minor is not under the influence of alcohol or any illicit or prescription drugs which would in any way impair the Minor's ability to safely participate in the event. I agree that it is my sole responsibility to determine whether the Minor is sufficiently fit and healthy enough to participate in the Event, and that I am responsible for the Minor's 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 the Minor's participation in the sport of field hockey, the Events and related activities, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), 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 the Minor's own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others, including, but not limited to those participating in the Event, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and on behalf of the Minor, I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses which may be incurred as a result of the Minor's participation in any Event. 3. I understand that the Minor is required 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 MEFH, any safety regulations established for the benefit of all participants. I accept sole responsibility for the conduct and actions of the Minor while he or she is participating in the Event. 4. I agree on behalf of the Minor to abide by and be bound by the applicable USA Field Hockey and MEFH 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 the Minor will be subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Center for Safe Sport and agree that any sanctions imposed by the Center extend to his/her participation in all USA Field Hockey and MEFH 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 USOPC apply to me and that it is my responsibility to comply with those rules. I agree, on behalf of the Minor 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. On behalf of the Minor, I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: USA Field Hockey and MEFH, its member athletes/players, clubs, coaches, umpires, trainers, officials, national teams and futures regions; United States Field Hockey Foundation; United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC); 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 the Minor's 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, the Minor, or anyone on the Minor's 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 authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Minor, 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 the Minor, the Minor's parents/legal 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. In consideration for being allowed to attend and/or participate in any way in any program, event or activity of MEFH, including but not limited to programs, events or activities related field hockey, Participant and, if Participant is a minor (under 18 at the time of registration), Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), acknowledge, appreciate and agree as follows: 1. The risk of injury from the activities involved in the programs and events of MEFH is significant; such risk of injury includes, but is not limited to, the potential for permanent paralysis and death. 2. Participant and, if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), acknowledge that Participant is attending and/or participating in such programs, events or activities of MEFH, and will use and/or be present at the rented facilities or any other location used to conduct MEFH programs or events, at the Participant's own risk. 3. Participant and, if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), KNOWINGLY, FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY ASSUME AND ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL RISKS, both known and unknown, including but not limited to, the risk to the Participant of personal injury, disability, death and/or property loss, in relation to Participant's attendance and/or participation in the programs, events or activities of MEFH, use of or presence at MEFH rented facilities, and/or use of or presence at any location used to conduct any program or event of MEFH, EVEN IF SUCH RISKS ARISE FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF MEFH AND/OR ITS OWNERS, OFFICERS, OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, OTHER PARTICIPANTS, SPONSORS, ADVERTISERS, AND IF APPLICABLE, OWNERS AND LESSORS OF PREMISES USED TO CONDUCT A PROGRAM OR EVENT 4. Participant and, if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) AGREE THAT THE MEFH RELEASEES SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES WHATSOEVER arising from any personal injury, disability, death and/or property loss sustained by Participant and/or his/her family in relation to of Participant's attendance and/or participation in the programs, events or activities of MEFH, use of or presence at host facilities, and/or use of or presence at any location used to conduct any program or event of MEFH, EVEN IF SUCH DAMAGES ARISE FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE MEFH RELEASEES (defined above) or others. 5. Participant, and if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), for himself/herself/themselves, and on behalf of his/her/their heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby fully and forever RELEASE, DISCHARGE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS, THE MEFH RELEASEES from any and all claims, rights of actions, demands, losses, damages and liability arising out of or related to any INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH or property loss Participant may suffer in relation to Participant's attendance and/or participation in the programs, events or activities of MEFH, use of or presence at host facilities, and/or use of or presence at any location used to conduct any program or event of MEFH, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE MEFH RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE. 6. Participant, and if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), agree that this Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement ("Release") shall be governed by the laws of the state of Maine. If any provision of this Release shall be found to be invalid or unenforceable, this Release shall be interpreted as if such provision was not a part hereof, but this Release shall otherwise remain in full force and effect. 7. Participant and, if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), agree that Participant will follow the rules of conduct and play set by MEFH. Failure to do so may result in suspension from participation. 8. Participant, and if Participant is a minor, Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), agree that by checking the box below, he/she/they are effectively signing this Release and agreeing to be bound by its terms. BY SIGNING BELOW, I/WE, BEING THE PARTICIPANT, AND IF THE PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR, THE PARTICIPANT'S PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S), CERTIFY THAT I/WE HAVE READ THE ABOVE RELEASE, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY, FULLY UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS, AND UNDERSTAND THAT I/WE HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY ENTERING INTO THIS RELEASE; I/WE SIGN BELOW AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE FREELY, VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT. IF PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR, THEN BY CHECKING SIGNING BELOW SAID PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S) CERTIFY THAT HE/SHE/THEY HAVE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS PARTICIPANT. CONSENT 1. I/We, as the Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), do hereby grant authority to the staff at Maine Elite to render a judgment concerning medical assistance or hospital care in the event of an accident or illness related to the Participant during my/our absence. I/We do hereby authorize Maine Elite and its assigns to utilize any and all photographs, pictures or other likeness of myself/us, the Participant or anyone assigned guardianship to me/us, as they deem appropriate in its promotional materials or team films. 2. I/We, as the Participant's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s), agree that by signing below, I/we are effectively signing this Consent and agreeing to be bound by its terms.

Player Name (Please Print Clearly): _____ **Date:** _____

Player Signature (Parent/Guardian if under 18 yrs): _____