

WARNING: READ CAREFULLY. THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDES A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTS AND DEPRIVES YOU OF THE RIGHT TO SUE USA TRIATHLON AND OTHER PARTIES. DO NOT SIGN THIS AGREEMENT UNLESS YOU HAVE READ IT IN ITS ENTIRETY. SEEK THE ADVICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF ITS EFFECT.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT - MEMBERSHIP

IN CONSIDERATION of becoming a member of USA Triathlon ("USAT"), I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, parents, 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 (this "Agreement").

1. Physical Health. I hereby represent that (i) I am in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in USAT sanctioned events (an "Event" or "Events"); and (ii) I am not under the influence of alcohol or any illicit or prescription drugs, and will not be under any such influence at the time of the Event, which would in any way impair my ability to safely participate in the Event. I also agree, represent and warrant that I will not participate in any Event if I (i) experience fever, cough or shortness of breath symptoms or symptoms of a communicable disease, such as but not limited to COVID-19, or (ii) have a suspected or diagnosed/confirmed case of a communicable disease, such as but not limited to COVID-19. I agree that it is my sole responsibility to determine whether I am sufficiently fit and healthy enough to participate in the Event.
2. Compliance with Rules, Regulations, Codes, Policies and Procedures.
 - a. I hereby represent that I have read and agree to strictly comply with the USAT Code of Conduct and all other USAT Policies, Codes and Procedures applicable to me, including but not limited to USAT's Minor Athlete Abuse and Prevention Policies and the Code and policies of the U.S. Center for SafeSport, found at <https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Triathlon/USAT-for-Me/Athlete-Resources>.
 - b. I hereby represent that I have read and agree to strictly comply with the rules and regulations established for any Event, including but not limited to USAT's "USA Triathlon Multisport Competition Rules" and the Guide to Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods of Doping adopted by the United States Anti-Doping Agency ("USADA"). I understand and agree that the World Triathlon Anti-Doping Rules and the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing ("USADA Protocol") and all other policies and rules adopted by the World Triathlon, USADA, and the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (the "USOPC") 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 World Triathlon and/or USA Triathlon, if applicable, or referred by USADA.
 - c. I also accept sole responsibility for my own conduct and actions while participating in any Event, and the condition and adequacy of my equipment and I agree and acknowledge that USAT, the race director and/or Event organizer may deny or revoke my entry to any Event or disqualify me if

I am in breach of this section. I agree that USAT, the race director and/or Event organizer is not responsible for any costs incurred or damages suffered by me in such event.

3. Authorization to Collect and Use Data; Release of Image.

- a. While being a member of USAT, you may be asked by USAT to provide personal information about yourself (such as name, contact information, age, gender and other demographic information). I understand and agree that USAT will collect, use and share such information in accordance with USAT's Privacy Policy (<https://www.usatriathlon.org/privacy-policy>). USAT may share such information with race directors operating USAT sanctioned races, as necessary for race registration purposes. I hereby grant USAT, the race director(s) and/or Event organizer(s) permission to collect, capture, record and store the data, and grant to each of them a license to use the data for the following purposes: (i) the promotion of the sports of triathlon, duathlon and other multisport events; (ii) the promotion or exhibition of one or more events sanctioned or organized by USAT; (iii) any non-commercial use; and/or (iv) transmitting my race images to me for commercial purposes.
- b. I irrevocably grant to USAT and its designees, agents, assigns, partners and licensees (with no obligation to compensate me) the right and license, throughout the world, in any and all forms of media currently existing or hereafter created, to use, reproduce, adapt, publicly distribute, perform, display, broadcast, acquire, activate, retain, and transmit my name, nickname, initials, voice, biographical data, statements, performance, video and/or film portrayals, photograph and/or electronic likeness and image of me in connection with (i) the promotion of the sports of triathlon, duathlon and other multisport events; (ii) the promotion or exhibition of any Event; (iii) any non-commercial use; and/or (iv) transmitting my race images to me for commercial purposes. I understand that USAT may not use my image in a manner that creates or implies an endorsement of a commercial product or service without my prior consent and represent and warrant that I have the right to grant such consent on behalf of myself.

4. Assumption of Risk. I understand and acknowledge the physical and mental rigors associated with triathlon, duathlon, or other multi-sport events, and realize that running, bicycling, swimming and other portions of such Events are inherently dangerous and represent an extreme test of a person's physical and mental limits. I understand that participation involves risks and dangers which include, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease (including but not limited to communicable disease), permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life; loss of or damage to equipment/property; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents, contact or collision with other participants, spectators, vehicles or other natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from adverse weather conditions; imperfect course conditions; water, road and surface hazards; equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the organizers of Events; and other undefined risks and dangers which may not be readily foreseeable or are presently unknown, including any unknown claims under Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (collectively, "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 any Event, or the acts, inaction or negligence of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby expressly and voluntarily choose to 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.

5. Consent to Medical Care. I hereby consent to treatment in the event of an emergency or other incident in which, in the reasonable judgment of on-site and other personnel, I require medical care. I further agree to pay all costs associated with such medical care and to indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties (as defined below) from any costs or claims arising from such medical care.
6. Release from Liability. I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: World Triathlon, USAT, Event owners, organizers and promoters (including any contractors), race directors (including any contractors), other participants in any Event, sponsors, advertisers, host cities, the USOPC, Local Organizing Committees, venue and/or property owners upon which any Event takes place, Law Enforcement Agencies and other Public Entities providing support for an 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"), 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 to (i) my participation in an Event, and/or (ii) any INJURY, ILLNESS OR DEATH (including but not limited to INJURY, ILLNESS OR DEATH resulting from a communicable disease, such as COVID-19) arising out of or related to any Event, and, with respect to (i) and (ii), including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligence 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 Liability which any may be incurred as the result of such claim.
7. Arbitration. In the event of a dispute between me and any of the Released Parties, such dispute shall be settled by arbitration administered by the Court of Arbitration for Sport. The hearing shall be conducted in Colorado Springs, Colorado, unless both parties consent to a different location. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon all parties, and judgment upon the award rendered pursuant to such arbitration may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction.
8. Other. 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.

I hereby warrant 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, my spouse, children, parents, guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns), acknowledge that I have signed this Agreement freely and voluntarily, 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.

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I certify that ____ I am over the age of majority (18 years of age or older in most states), or ____ I have my parent's or legal guardian's consent as indicated below.

By signing below, I agree to sign this document electronically. I understand that my electronic signature is legally binding, just like a handwritten signature, and shows my intent to agree to the terms of the document.

Participant Signature

Print Name

Date Signed

Date of Birth

Address

E-mail Address

Telephone Number

Print Emergency Contact

Emergency Contact Telephone Number

IF PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR, PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST READ AND SIGN BELOW

I am the parent or legal guardian of the above-named participant, and I agree that the participant may join USAT. On behalf of the participant, **I hereby irrevocably and unconditionally (1) agree to all of the terms of this Agreement, (2) authorize USAT or any of its designees to arrange or any necessary medical treatment for the participant and (3) agree personally to comply with all applicable USAT policies, rules and regulations, including but not limited to USAT's Code of Conduct.** I also, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, estate, insurers, successors and assigns, hereby fully and forever release and discharge the Released Parties (defined above) from any and all claims or causes of action that I may have for damages for personal or bodily injury, disability, death, loss or damage to person or property, whether arising from the negligence of any or all of the Released Parties, or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

By signing below, I agree to sign this document electronically. I understand that my electronic signature is legally binding, just like a handwritten signature, and shows my intent to agree to the terms of the document.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Print Name

Date Signed