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Informed Consent for Minor Participation in Lodging

Under the United States Equestrian Federation's ("USEF") Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, In-Program lodging includes lodging involving an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport.

I, **[INSERT LEGAL GUARDIAN NAME]**, certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of **[INSERT MINOR'S NAME]** ("Minor Athlete"). I understand that my express written consent is required in order for Minor Athlete to participate in In-Program Lodging. I acknowledge that lodging with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]** was not organized by USEF and is not affiliated with USEF in any way. I also understand that USEF's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies prohibit Minor Athlete from participating in In-Program Lodging unless I provide my express written consent.

In connection with and in consideration of Minor Athlete's participation in In-Program Lodging, I as Minor Athlete's legal guardian hereby represent and consent to the following:

- 1) I consent and agree to allow the Minor Athlete to attend and participate in In-Program Lodging **with [INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT];**
- 2) I understand that **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]** will NOT share a hotel room or otherwise sleep in the same room with said Minor Athlete and all interactions will be observable and interruptible;
- 3) I acknowledge that my consent lasts for a time period of one year from the date of this consent. I also understand that my Minor Athlete or I can withdraw consent at any time.
- 4) I consent and agree that I have had the opportunity to review the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, available at <http://safesport.usef.org>;
- 5) I acknowledge that USEF's Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies are intended to protect athletes from abuse and risks of harm in sport, and that unrelated adults are not permitted to share a hotel room or sleep in the same room with a Minor Athlete, unless I provide my express written consent in advance of the Lodging;
- 6) I understand that USEF recommends that I watch the Parents' Guide to Misconduct in Sport, provided at no cost to me and produced by the U.S. Center for SafeSport before providing this consent, which can be found at <https://athletesafety.org/>;
- 7) I authorize and consent to the release and disclosure of this consent form, Minor Athlete's name, In-Program Lodging details, and other relevant information, as needed, to demonstrate my consent to Minor Athlete's participation in the In-Program Lodging.

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and the legal guardian of the Minor Athlete. In addition, I certify that I have read, fully understand, and agree to the terms of this informed consent, and I sign it voluntarily with the full knowledge of its significance. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force, and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

Legal Guardian Printed Name

Legal Guardian Signature

Date

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Informed Consent for Minor Participation in Individual Training Sessions

Under the United States Equestrian Federation's ("USEF") Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, Individual Training Sessions includes one-on-one individual training sessions involving an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport.

I, **[INSERT LEGAL GUARDIAN NAME]**, certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of **[INSERT MINOR'S NAME]** ("Minor Athlete"). I understand that my express written consent is required in order for Minor Athlete to participate in Individual Training Sessions with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]**. I acknowledge that the Individual Training Session with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]** was not organized by USEF and is not affiliated with USEF in any way. I also understand that USEF's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies prohibit Minor Athlete from participating in Individual Training Sessions unless I provide my express written consent.

In connection with and in consideration of Minor Athlete's participation in Individual Training Sessions, I as Minor Athlete's legal guardian hereby represent and consent to the following:

- 1) I consent and agree to allow the Minor Athlete to participate in Individual Training Sessions **with [INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT];**
- 2) I understand that all interactions between **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]** and Minor Athlete will be observable and interruptible;
- 3) I acknowledge that my consent lasts for a time period of one year from the date of this consent. I also understand that my Minor Athlete or I can withdraw consent at any time;
- 4) I consent and agree that I have had the opportunity to review the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, available at <http://safesport.usef.org>;
- 5) I acknowledge that USEF's Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies are intended to protect athletes from abuse and risks of harm in sport, and that unrelated adults are not permitted to provide Individual Training Sessions unless I provide my express written consent in advance;
- 6) I understand that I am allowed to observe the Individual Training Sessions;
- 7) I understand that USEF recommends that I watch the Parents' Guide to Misconduct in Sport, provided at no cost to me and produced by the U.S. Center for SafeSport before providing this consent, which can be found at <https://athletesafety.org/>; and
- 8) I authorize and consent to the release and disclosure of this consent form, Minor Athlete's name, Individual Training Session details, and other relevant information, as needed, to demonstrate my consent to Minor Athlete's participation in the Individual Training Sessions.

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and the legal guardian of the Minor Athlete. In addition, I certify that I have read, fully understand, and agree to the terms of this informed consent, and I sign it voluntarily with the full knowledge of its significance. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force, and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

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Informed Consent for Minor Participation in Travel

Under the United States Equestrian Federation's ("USEF") Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, In-Program Travel includes travel involving an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete related to participation in sport.

I, **[INSERT LEGAL GUARDIAN NAME]**, certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of **[INSERT MINOR'S NAME]** ("Minor Athlete"). I understand that my express written consent is required in order for Minor Athlete to participate in In-Program Travel and ride alone in a vehicle with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]**. I acknowledge that the In-Program Travel with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]** was not organized by USEF and is not affiliated with USEF in any way. I also understand that USEF's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies prohibit Minor Athlete from participating in In-Program Travel unless I provide my express written consent.

In connection with and in consideration of Minor Athlete's participation in In-Program Travel, I as Minor Athlete's legal guardian hereby represent and consent to the following:

- 1) I consent and agree to allow the Minor Athlete to participate in In-Program Travel and ride alone in a vehicle with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]**;
- 2) I acknowledge that my consent lasts for a time period of one year from the date of this consent. I also understand that my Minor Athlete or I can withdraw consent at any time;
- 3) I consent and agree that I have had the opportunity to review the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, available at <http://safesport.usef.org>;
- 4) I acknowledge that USEF's Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies are intended to protect athletes from abuse and risks of harm in sport, and that unrelated adults are not permitted to ride in a vehicle alone with an unrelated minor athlete, absent emergency circumstances, and must have at least two minor athletes 8 years of age or older or another adult at all times, unless I provide my express written consent in advance;
- 5) I understand that USEF recommends that I watch the Parents' Guide to Misconduct in Sport, provided at no cost to me and produced by the U.S. Center for SafeSport before providing this consent, which can be found at <https://athletesafety.org/>; and
- 6) I authorize and consent to the release and disclosure of this consent form, Minor Athlete's name, In-Program Travel details, and other relevant information, as needed, to demonstrate my consent to Minor Athlete's participation in the In-Program Travel.

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and the legal guardian of the Minor Athlete. In addition, I certify that I have read, fully understand, and agree to the terms of this informed consent, and I sign it voluntarily with the full knowledge of its significance. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force, and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

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Informed Consent for Minor Participation in Manual Therapy, Therapeutic Modalities, or Recovery Modalities

Under the United States Equestrian Federation's ("USEF") Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, In-Program manual therapy, therapeutic modalities, or recovery modalities includes manual therapy, therapeutic modalities, or recovery modalities involving an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete related to participation in sport.

I, **[INSERT LEGAL GUARDIAN NAME]**, certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of **[INSERT MINOR'S NAME]** ("Minor Athlete"). I understand that my express written consent is required in order for Minor Athlete to participate in In-Program manual therapy, therapeutic modalities, or recovery modalities ("Massage") with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]**. I acknowledge that the Massage with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]** was not organized by USEF and is not affiliated with USEF in any way. I also understand that USEF's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies prohibit Minor Athlete from participate in and receive the Massage unless I provide my express written consent.

In connection with and in consideration of Minor Athlete's participation in the Massage, I as Minor Athlete's legal guardian hereby represent and consent to the following:

- 1) I consent and agree to allow the Minor Athlete to receive the Massage with **[INSERT NAME OF UNRELATED ADULT]**;
- 2) I acknowledge that my consent lasts for a time period of one year from the date of this consent. I also understand that my Minor Athlete or I can withdraw consent at any time;
- 3) I consent and agree that I have had the opportunity to review the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, available at <http://safesport.usef.org>;
- 4) I acknowledge that USEF's Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies are intended to protect athletes from abuse and risks of harm in sport, and that any Massage must be (1) conducted in an open and interruptible location, and (2) done with at least one other adult present;
- 5) I understand that I am allowed to observe the Massage;
- 6) I understand that USEF recommends that I watch the Parents' Guide to Misconduct in Sport, provided at no cost to me and produced by the U.S. Center for SafeSport before providing this consent, which can be found at <https://athletesafety.org/>; and
- 7) I authorize and consent to the release and disclosure of this consent form, Minor Athlete's name, Massage details, and other relevant information, as needed, to demonstrate my consent to Minor Athlete's participation in the Massage.

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and the legal guardian of the Minor Athlete. In addition, I certify that I have read, fully understand, and agree to the terms of this informed consent, and I sign it voluntarily with the full knowledge of its significance. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force, and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

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