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Please read this document carefully

This document contains 5 Parts. Part A is a recognition and acknowledgment of risks. **Part B** is a consent to medical assistance. **Part C** is a consent and acknowledgement of Water Polo Canada (“WPC”) and recognized member provincial water polo associations’ policies. **Part D** is a consent to use the participant or registrant’s image and/or personal attributes. **Part E** is a consent on the sharing of personal information.

This document must be signed before participating in any Activity sanctioned or organized by WPC, WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Sections or its registered Water polo clubs. All Parts must be completed to be in good standing.

Identification

As a participant myself or on behalf of a Minor participant in the Activities of WPC or of WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Section or Water polo clubs I, the undersigned _____(name of participant)

OR

_____ (name of parent or legal guardian of a Minor participant), acting as _____(father, mother or legal guardian) of _____(name of Minor participant), hereby acknowledge and commit to the following terms and provisions.

Definitions

1. **“Activity” or “Activities”** means any in-person or virtual activities such as events, training camps, programs, competitions, physical training performed or conducted in Water or outside Water, recognized, organized or sanctioned by WPC, WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Sections or its registered Water polo clubs.
2. **“Agreement”** means this document, which contains Parts A, B, C, and D.
3. **“Injury or Health-related problem”** means any injury, health-related issue or illness including mental health issues diagnosed by a medical practitioner.
4. **“Minor”** means the minor participant identified in this document.
5. **“Organization”** means collectively, WPC, WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Sections, its registered Water polo clubs and their respective coaches, directors, officers, committee members, members, employees, volunteers, participants, agents and representatives.
6. **“Provincial/Territorial Section” (“PTS ”)** means those incorporated bodies, also called provincial or territorial sport organization (PTSOs) in other documents, responsible for the regulation of water polo within the province and for the governance of the province-wide development of water polo, provided that each province or territory shall only be entitled to be represented as one section, as may be determined by WPC board of directors.
7. **“Registrant or Participant”** means any of the following who have applied for registration with WPC and who have been accepted as a Registrant by WPC: athletes, coaches, officials, clubs and volunteers (including individuals who have been appointed or elected to a volunteer position within or by a Provincial/Territorial Section or as either a domestic or international representative of WPC in any capacity).

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8. **“UCCMS”** means the Universal Code of Conduct to prevent and address maltreatment in Sport.
9. **“Water polo club or clubs”** means a Water polo club that is registered with WPC or a WPC Provincial/Territorial Section.
10. **“Water”** means any outdoor or indoor pools, artificial or natural water basins used for water polo.

As a Registrant or Participant, or parent or legal guardian of a Minor Participant in the sport of water polo and the Activities of the Organization, the undersigned agrees to the following terms and conditions contained in Parts A, B, C, D and E of this document.

I AGREE

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Part A: Recognition and acknowledgment of risks

1. I am, or the Minor is participating voluntarily in the sport of water polo and the Activities of the Organization. In consideration of my participation or the Minor’s participation in the sport of water polo and the Activities of the Organization, I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of and hereby accept the risks, dangers and hazards inherent and associated with or related to the sport of water polo and any Activities of the Organization, including any Injury or Health-related problem, which can be severe and even fatal. These risks, dangers and hazards may include, but are not limited to, an Injury or Health-related problem resulting from:
 - a. Exertion and stretching of various muscle groups, strenuous cardiovascular workouts in or out of Water.
 - b. Vigorous physical exertion or physical contact in or out of Water.
 - c. Slips or falls due to uneven, slippery or irregular surfaces, including on the pool deck, in dressing rooms or other facilities or rooms at an aquatic venue and at any physical facilities in and around open Water venues.
 - d. Contact, collision or strike by the water polo ball or equipment, other individuals and any other similar pool-side aquatic equipment.
 - e. Failure to play within one’s abilities and within designated areas.
 - f. Failure to properly use any piece of swimming related equipment or the mechanical failure of any piece of equipment.
 - g. Concussions or aggravated related symptoms.
 - h. Spinal cord injuries which may result in permanent paralysis.
 - i. Travel to and from training or competitive events and associated non-competitive events which are an integral part of the Organization’s Activities.
 - j. Infectious sources such as COVID-19 as defined by the relevant municipal, provincial or federal health authorities.
 - k. Extreme weather conditions which may result in heatstroke, sunstroke or lightning strikes.
 - l. The occurrence of unforeseen or irresistible events of force majeure.

I AGREE

2. Furthermore, I am aware:
 - a. That an Injury or Health-related Problem sustained can be severe and even fatal.
 - b. That I or the Minor may experience anxiety during an Activity of the Organization.
 - c. That the risk of Injury or Health-related Problem is reduced if the rules established for participation are followed, and
 - d. That the risk of Injury or Health-related Problem increases with fatigue.

I AGREE

3. In consideration of the Organization allowing me, or the Minor to participate in Activities, I confirm that I have not been advised by a medical doctor that my or my child’s physical condition prevents me or my child from participating in the Organization’s Activities.

I CONFIRM THAT THIS IS TRUE

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Part B: Consent to medical assistance

Medical Assistance

In case of an Injury or Health-related Problem, I authorize the Organization, for myself or the Minor, to obtain all necessary on-site medical assistance for the medical situation, including transportation by ambulance or by other means to a hospital.

I CONSENT TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

I DO NOT CONSENT TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

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Part C: Consent and Acknowledgement of WPC and WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Sections’ policies

WPC and WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Sections are committed to implementing best practice [policies](#) and processes to make the sport safer for all participants or registrants. As part of this commitment, all WPC Registrants agree to the following:

1. Acknowledgement of WPC and PTS Policies

Keeping athletes, coaches, officials, staff, and volunteers safe and engaged in a fun and inclusive environment is a shared goal of WPC and WPC’s Provincial/Territorial Sections. To remain proactive in achieving this common goal, WPC and its Provincial/Territorial Sections implement [policies](#) and standards of conduct to be maintained by all Registrants to remain in good standing. At the time of registration with WPC, WPC requests all Registrants to acknowledge that they are aware of, have had an opportunity to review, and will comply with the safe sport [policies](#) and standards of conduct set out by WPC and his or her Provincial/Territorial Section.

WPC also requests that all Registrants acknowledge that they are aware of, have had an opportunity to review, and will comply with all other [policies](#) set out by WPC and his or her Provincial/Territorial Section.

I AGREE

2. Disclosure of Information for Discipline Registry

As part of WPC’s commitment to safe sport and in anticipation of the Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport (“UCCMS”), WPC will maintain a publicly-available searchable registry which tracks violations of the UCCMS, WPC policies, and Registrant discipline and ineligibility to be involved in sport. Registrants agree that information including, name, club, reason and length of discipline may be disclosed and maintained in the discipline registry¹.

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¹ Disclosed participant/Registrant information is subject to change from time to time to comply with the requirements of the Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport.

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Photo/Video Release

As part of WPC’s efforts to grow the sport of water polo in Canada, WPC provides news and updates on its website, on social media, or in WPC publications and promotional materials, or any number of the wide variety of forums available to WPC now or in the future. As part of registration, I hereby grant WPC the right to reproduce, use, alter, exhibit, display, broadcast, distribute and create derivative works of photograph or filmed images of me or the Minor, for use in connection with the activities of WPC or for promoting and explaining its programs and events, without payment or any other consideration. I understand and agree that these materials will become the property of WPC and will not be returned.

I CONSENT TO THE USE OF MY/MY CHILDREN'S IMAGE AND PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

I DO NOT CONSENT TO THE USE OF MY/MY CHILDREN'S IMAGE AND PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Note for national team athletes only (excerpts of the Athlete Agreement)

The athlete who is a WPC national team member (hereinafter the ‘Athlete’) grants to WPC the right to use his or her name, likeness, photograph, image, sketch, voice, video-taped image and/or voice, radio broadcast voice, signature, endorsement and performance record (herein called "personal identifications") for promotional purposes. For raising revenues to support WPC's objectives, the Athlete shall not unreasonably withhold approval of the use of such personal identifications and the Athlete's compensation shall be a result of negotiations in good faith between WPC and the Athlete. The WPC will consult the Athlete prior to granting or assigning those rights to any persons, corporations, or parties.

The Athlete agrees to assist and co-operate with WPC in fulfilling any obligations it may incur in agreements entered into respecting rights granted hereof and without limiting the generality of the foregoing agrees:

- i. To make promotional appearances at all reasonable times directed by WPC.
- ii. To attend, at all reasonable times, such photographic sessions, as well as television and radio commercial production sessions, as WPC may direct.
- iii. To participate in reasonable non-commercial promotional activities as may be requested by Sport Canada on behalf of the Government of Canada, where the arrangements for such activities are made through WPC and are not for more than the equivalent of two working days for any individual Athlete unless incremental compensation is arranged and agreed to by the Athlete.

I AGREE (for national team athletes only)

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I hereby understand that any information collected by Water Polo Canada which concerns me and allows me to be identified constitutes personal information which will form an integral part of a file in my name held in Canada and managed by RAMP InterActive on behalf of Water Polo Canada.

I also understand that Water Polo Canada cannot guarantee that the data passing through RAMP InterActive will not be consulted or otherwise used by the government authorities or law enforcement authorities of Canada. Consequently, Water Polo Canada cannot be held responsible for the use that may be made by the government authorities or law enforcement authorities, these data being subject to their legislation, where legislation may be different and offer less protection than that a provincial legislation.

I understand that it will be possible for me to access my file by contacting Water Polo Canada’s Sport Development Manager, Rebekka Steenkamer (rsteenkamer@waterpolo.ca).

I also understand that this file is for the registration with Water Polo Canada and that the personal information contained therein will only be used for the relevant purposes of providing and promoting services for and on behalf of Water Polo Canada and will be destroyed as soon as the subject of the file has been completed.

I also agree that my personal information may be communicated or disclosed to third parties who are parties to an agreement with Water Polo Canada, including particularly but not limited to any organization affiliated with Water Polo Canada, as well as any national and/or international organizations/federations who govern sports. (to know more about those organizations please contact WPC).

Please tick your choice

I **agree** that my personal information may be communicated or disclosed to third parties, including particularly but not limited to any organization affiliated with Water Polo Canada, as well as, any national and/or international organizations/federations who govern sports. (to know more about those organizations please contact WPC).

OR

I **do not agree** that my personal information may be communicated or disclosed to third parties, including particularly but not limited to any organization affiliated with Water Polo Canada, as well as, any national and/or international organizations/federations who govern sports.-(to know more about those organizations please contact WPC).

Please tick your choice

I **accept** that my personal information may be used by Water-Polo Canada for commercial or philanthropic prospecting purposes.

OR

I **refuse** to allow my personal information be used for commercial or philanthropic prospecting purposes and request that the said information be removed from the database.

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Note for national team members

As a national team member and signatory of the Athlete Agreement, I **accept** that my personal information may be used by Water-Polo Canada for commercial or philanthropic prospecting purposes. I also **agree** that my personal information may be communicated or disclosed to third parties, including particularly but not limited to any organization affiliated with Water Polo Canada, as well as, any national and/or international organizations/federations who govern sports (to know more about those organizations, please contact WPC).

I AGREE AND ACCEPT AS A NATIONAL TEAM ATHLETE

I AM NOT A NATIONAL TEAM ATHLETE

Acknowledgement and Signature

I have read this Agreement, and by signing it, I understand that it is binding upon myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and representatives. If this Agreement is signed electronically, I, acknowledge and recognize that the electronic signature constitutes my official signature and that I am the person who completed this Agreement.

For the Minor Participant or Registrant

Name of the Minor: _____ Date of birth: _____

Name of parent or legal guardian (Print): _____

Signature of parent or legal guardian: _____

Signed at (City): _____ Date: _____

For the Adult Participant or Registrant

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Signed at (City): _____ Date: _____