

# Independent Pet Partners Waiver of Liability Release For Organizations

I, as the designated representative for my group/organization, acknowledge that when utilizing Independent Pet Partners' facilities for our group/organization's event, there exists a potential risk to myself, organization volunteers/staff (including minor children), team members, guests, and any attending pets. Some of the domestic animals we may encounter can be challenging to handle and may pose a risk of injury, even when handled with the utmost care. I am aware that our event inherently carries certain risks that cannot be entirely eliminated, regardless of precautions taken to prevent. I hereby affirm that my group/organization's participation is voluntary, and my group/organization willingly assumes all such risks associated with our event.

Domestic animals may, without warning, bite or cause harm to humans and other animals. I acknowledge and comprehend that there are specific risks involved in permitting animals under my group/organization's care to participate in this event. These risks are including but not limited to, animal altercations, animal bites to humans or other animals, and the potential transmission of diseases. I acknowledge that each animal responds differently, and the inherent unpredictability of animals is understood.

#### Please read and initial each statement below:

 I understand that my group/organization is solely responsible for all harm and damage caused by my domestic animal while he/she is attending this event.
 I certify that my animal(s) is/are in good health and their vaccinations are up to date. Proof can be provided upon request.
 I recognize that there is an inherent risk of illness or injury when dealing with animals. Such risks included but not limited to, illness due to sharing toys or common water bowls, problems resulting from rough play such as soreness or stiffness, bumps, bruises and scratches, problems resulting from high energy play such as fatigue, sore paws, blisters, or abrasions on the feet

My group/organization will assume all risk of injury and any damage, loss, and/or destruction of property resulting directly or indirectly from the actions of any animal(s) or any individual attending the event while in Independent Pet Partners' facilities, grounds, and any surrounding area. I understand that my group/organization is responsible for making sure that our animal(s) is/are up to date on vaccinations and healthy. I understand that any time our animal(s) is/are in contact with other animals it may expose them to minimal risk of communicable disease. I hereby waive and release Independent Pet Partners and any of their team members, officers, corporate office members, and all persons acting on Independent Pet Partners' behalf from any and all liability for injury, damage, or illness that my group/organization's volunteers/staff or our animal(s) may incur while attending/participating in this event.



#### **Indemnification and Hold Harmless**

I, the undersigned representative of my group/organization, recognize that participation in our scheduled event is strictly voluntary. I/we also agree to indemnify and hold Independent Pet Partners harmless from any and all damages and injury caused to myself, or others that accompany me. This includes but it not limited to claims, actions, suits, procedures, costs, expenses, damages and liabilities, including attorney's fees brought (whether by myself or by any third party) as a result of my involvement in the event and to reimburse them for any such expenses incurred.

### **Release and Waiver**

To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, you hereby release, and waive all claims against Independent Pet Partners and its officers, team members, corporate office staff, and all persons acting on Independent Pet Partners' behalf from any and all liability for claims, damages, costs and expenses (including litigation costs and attorneys' fees) of every kind and nature, arising out of or in any way connected with events hosted by my group/organization in Independent Pet Partner's facilities. This agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Kansas, and Colorado.

## **Acknowledgment of Understanding**

I have read this waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement, fully understand its terms, and understand that I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue. I acknowledge that I am signing the agreement freely and voluntarily. I, the undersigned representative of my group/organization, intend that my signature is a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law.

This agreement is in effect for 3 years from the date of this signed form. Each agreement will be required to be renewed thereafter.

Organization Name, if applicable:		_	
Private Party, if applicable:			
Representative Name:Print Name			
Representative Signature:	Date	·•	