



**Town of Deerfield
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**ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY
RELATING TO CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. **COVID-19 is extremely contagious** and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments, including the Town of Deerfield, and federal and state health agencies and the Deerfield Board of Health recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

The Town of Deerfield (the “Town”) by and through the Selectboard, Board of Health and the Recreation Committee (the “Committee”) have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the Town and the Committee **cannot guarantee** that participants in Town-Sponsored or Committee-Sponsored activities or events (“Events”) not become infected with COVID-19. Further, **participating in Events could increase participants’ risk** of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in Events and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the Events may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, Town employees, volunteers, program participants and their families.

After carefully considering the risks involved, and in consideration of the services provided by the Town and the Committee, I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection with my participation in Events (“Claims”). On my behalf, and heirs, assigns and devisees, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the Town and the Committee, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the Town and Committee, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any Event.

By signing this agreement, I further agree to comply with all restrictions which may be imposed to ensure proper social distancing, including the limitation on participation.

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Signature of Participant

Date

Print Name (Participant)

Signature of Guardian (if applicable)

Date

Print Name (Guardian)