

## UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION, INC. RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER AND INDEMNIFICATION (Attachment D)

## This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully before signing.

I AGREE, in consideration for my participation as a competitor at the 2018 FEI World Equestrian Games (the "WEG") and all events related to and leading up to the WEG, including but not limited to all training sessions, Mandatory Outings, and Observation Events (together the "Events"), and therefore a representative of the United States and the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation"), to the following:

I AGREE that "the Federation" as used above includes all of its officials, officers, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers, and affiliated organizations.

I AGREE that I choose to participate voluntarily with my horse, as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, or as parent or guardian of an exhibitor under 18 years of age. I am fully aware and acknowledge that horse sports involve inherent dangerous risks of accident, loss, and serious bodily injury including broken bones, head injuries, trauma, pain, suffering, or death ("Harm").

I AGREE to hold harmless and release the Federation from all claims for money damages or otherwise for any Harm to me or my horse, or damage to my carriage and for any Harm of any nature caused by me, my horse, or my carriage to others, even if the Harm arises or results, directly or indirectly, from the negligence of the Federation.

**I AGREE** to expressly assume all risks of Harm to me or my horse, or damage to my carriage, including Harm or damage resulting from the negligence of the Federation.

I AGREE to indemnify (that is, to pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) the Federation and to hold it harmless with respect to claims for Harm to me or my horse, or damage to my carriage, and for claims made by others for any Harm caused by me, my horse, or my carriage while at the Events.

I have read the Federation and Federation Equestre Internationale (the "FEI") rules about protective equipment I understand that I am entitled to wear protective equipment without penalty, and I acknowledge that the Federation strongly encourages me to do so while WARNING that no protective equipment can guard against all injuries.

I represent that I have the requisite training, coaching and abilities to safely compete in the Events. BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE to be bound by all of the above terms, by all applicable Federation Bylaws and General Rules and FEI rules.

I further agree that all decisions referenced in the Selection Procedure for the WEG Team shall be final as made by the referenced individuals. By signing the application for the WEG Team, applicants, and owners, agree to abide by all decisions made in accordance with the Selection Procedure by the Chef d'Equipe, Selectors, Veterinary Advisory Group, physicians, the Federation Driving Sport Committee, the Federation International Disciplines Council, the Federation Board of Directors thereof, and agree to hold them harmless in this regard. Nothing herein shall limit an applicant's rights under the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act.

## WARNING

## Under North Carolina law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury or to the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. Chapter 99e of the North Carolina General Statutes.

I have read and understand the USEF Release, Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Indemnification. By providing my handwritten or electronic signature below, I acknowledge the aforementioned and agree to be bound by the Federation Release, Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Indemnification and I fully understand and accept my responsibilities as a participant in the 2018 FEI World EQUESTRIAN GAMES. I further understand and agree that an electronic signature is a legal and binding signature.

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