



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 and federal and provincial health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. USA Dance and the Chicago DanceSport Challenge have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, USA Dance and the Chicago DanceSport Challenge cannot guarantee that you or your child (ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, participation in the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Competition could increase your risk of contracting COVID-19.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING – INITIAL EACH PARAGRAPH

____ **INITIALS** 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 participation; and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that there is a risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Competition.

____ **INITIALS** I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) (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 at the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Competition. On my behalf, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless USA Dance and the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Competition 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 USA Dance and the Chicago DanceSport Challenge, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation at the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Events.

____ **INITIALS** By signing this document, I agree that if I am exposed or infected by COVID-19 during my participation in this activity, then I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against the parties being released on the basis of any claim for negligence.

____ **INITIALS** I agree that to the best of their ability Myself or my child will follow all safety guidelines laid out by USA Dance and the Chicago DanceSport Challenge and will attempt to practice safe social distancing and clean hygiene at all times during their participation at the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Competition. Failure to comply with provided safety guidelines will result in you or your child's expulsion from the Chicago DanceSport Challenge Competition.

Printed Name/Guardian Name

Date

Signature
