

SKATE PARK WAIVER

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Arlington Heights Park District is committed to conducting its recreation programs and activities in a safe manner and holds the safety of participants in high regard. The Arlington Heights Park District continually strives to reduce such risks and insists that all participants follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to protect the participants' safety. However, participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for programs or participating in activities must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in recreational activities.

You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward are physically fit and/or adequately skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement. It is always advisable, especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way, or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

All skateboarders and rollerbladers are required to wear a helmet in order to use the skate park. Other protective gear such as elbow pads, knee pads, and wrist guards are highly recommended. Bicycles are not allowed in the skate park. The skate park staff reserves the right to refuse entrance to anyone not in compliance with these regulations.

WARNING OF RISK

Skateboarding and rollerblading are activities that challenge and engage the physical, mental and emotional resources of each participant. However, despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury including, but not limited to head/brain injury, spinal cord injury and death. Understandably, not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. Because skateboarding and rollerblading are often done with little or no protective equipment, and because it puts great demands on stamina, the very nature of skateboarding and rollerblading are hazardous and risky. **Such risks and dangers include, but are not limited to, striking an irregularity in the riding surface; losing balance; trying to perform stunts; the skateboard slipping out from under the rider; the rollerblade wheels sliding out from under the skater; tripping over a curb; riding near traffic; loss of control; colliding with other skateboarders, rollerbladers, or stationary objects; recklessness or horseplay; acts of God; inclement weather; lack of safety equipment, inadequate or defective equipment; inadequate supervision; premises defects; attempting a maneuver beyond one's skill level; and all other circumstances inherent to the sports of skateboarding or rollerblading.** In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the Arlington Heights Park District to guarantee absolute safety.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing this form and participating in this activity, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected and associated with this activity (including transportation services, when provided).

I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in this activity, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of participating in this activity. I further agree to wave and relinquish all claims that I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in this activity against the Arlington Heights Park District, including its officials, agents, volunteers and employees (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Parties").

I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the Parties from any and all claims for injuries, damages or loss that my minor child/ward or I may have or which may accrue to me or my minor child/ward and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with this activity.

I have read and fully understand the above important information, warning of risk, assumption of risk and waiver and release of all claims. If allowing a minor to participate in this activity, I further attest that I have read the above to my minor child/ward.

PLEASE PRINT:

Participant's Name

Participant's Signature (Parent if under 18 years of age)

Date

Emergency Contact Information:

Name

Phone Number (Cellphone preferable)

PARTICIPATION WILL BE DENIED if the signature of the adult participant or the signature of the parent/guardian of a minor participant and the date are not on this waiver.