



Austin Swim Club
ASC July Masters Meet
A Long Course Meters Timed Final Event
July 1, 2017

Sanction:

Held under the sanction of US Masters Swimming.

Venue:

Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy
5513 Southwest Parkway
Austin, Texas 78735
[Map](#)

Facility:

Tired of slow swimming in a slow pool. With band aids and gobs of hair passing you by? Austin Swim Club has the answer. With 8 of the fastest racing lanes in the great state of Texas, ASC invites you to compete in one of the fastest meets this season. Waves will be squelched by the monstrous 6 inch Competitor lane lines allowing each swimmer to get their hand(s) onto the Colorado Timing touchpads with the least hydro-interference planet earth has to offer. Times will be recorded via Hy-Tek's Meet Manager software.

Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy is an outdoor facility with shade structures on two sides of the pool deck for coaches, officials, and athletes. Spectators will not have access to these sides of the pool. We highly encourage sunscreen. Partially shaded bleacher seating is available for 150 spectators on a first come, first serve basis. Grass area will be available to accommodate the athletes and overflow of spectators. Chairs are welcome in this area. Tents are available behind the pool, outside the fenced area.

Our pool is an eight lane long course meter pool. Competition will take place in 6 of those lanes with 2 lanes open for warm up and warm down throughout the duration of the meet.

Facility

Parking:

Coaches, Officials, and Volunteer parking available at the facility parking lot. Athlete drop off is allowed:

5513 Southwest Parkway
Austin, Texas 78735
[Map](#)

Athlete and spectator parking at adjacent parking garage – ARM Building
5515 Southwest Parkway
Austin, Texas 78735

- Water Depth:** The minimum water depth, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 7 feet 1 inch at the start end and the turn end is 7 feet 1 inch measured for a distance of 1.0 meter to 5.0 meters from both end walls.
- Course Certification:** The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4)
- Sanction:** Held under the sanction of USMS. This meet has been sanctioned by South Texas Swimming and current USMS rules and any relevant sections of the South Texas Policies & Procedures Manual will apply. All swimmers must be registered as athletes for 2017 with USMS by the meet start date. Athletes who register with USMS after the meet entry deadline may deck enter the meet only if they can present their 2017 USMS registration card. Conduct of the sanctioned event shall conform in every respect to all technical and administrative rules of US Masters Swimming.
- Liability:** In granting the sanction it is understood and agreed that USMS, Inc., South Texas Swimming, Inc. (STSI), the Austin Swim Club (ASC), the Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy (AASA), and all meet officials shall be free from any liabilities of claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. Damage to the facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer, if unattached, or the offending swimmer's club, if attached, to be held accountable for repairs.
- USMS Registration:** All swimmers, coaches, and officials participating in this competition must be currently (2017) registered with USMS. No swimmer will be permitted to compete unless the swimmer is a member as provided in Article 302. All should also be prepared to present their USMS ID Card as proof of their registration to the Meet Director or designee at any time. Swimmers who 1) late enter when possible; 2) need to be late-entered because of clerical errors by the entering team or the meet host; or 3) are not entered in this meet and choose to enter time trials, if offered, will be required to present their USMS ID Card Swimming registration card. Current national and LSC regulations do not allow for exceptions to these policies.
- Meet Format:** This meet is an open meet to all athletes 18 years of age and older. Number of athletes will be capped at 300 and entered as entries are received. Our goal is to see fast swimming, enjoy great racing, and still have time to enjoy the majority of the weekend. All events will start on the South end of the pool.
- Heats will be timed finals seeded (6 fastest swimmers in the final heat) two days prior to the start of the meet. Deck entries will be entered only as to fill empty lanes.
- The meet director reserves the right to conduct flyover starts or change warm-up/session start times depending on meet size.
- Inclement Weather:** In the event that inclement weather is expected for the weekend of the meet, the coaches of the attending teams will discuss the best plan for any needed changes to the event timeline, potentially postponing the meet until later in the day when inclement weather has passed.
- Qualifying Times:** There are no qualifying times.

Age

Restrictions: Swimmers must be 18 years of age or older.

Age Up Date: The age of the swimmer will be his/her age on July 1, 2017.

Entry

Restrictions: Athletes may enter a maximum of 5 events.

There is no qualifying times and NT – “No Times” will be accepted, however, for the sake of good racing we encourage all coaches to make their best estimation. Please convert all times to Long Course Meters.

Entry

Deadline: Entries will close at noon on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 4:00 pm, once the 300 swimmer cap is reached, or to stay within the four-hour rule. Whichever comes first.

Time Trials: There will be no time trials held for this event.

Entry

Procedures: Online through ClubAssistant.com is the preferred method of entry.

USMS teams can submit entries using Hy-Tek Team Manager or its equivalent to the Entries Chair, Martha Hansen (Martha@austinswimclub.org). If you need to submit entries in another format, please contact the Entries Chair to make other arrangements. Please rename the entry file to clearly identify the meet name and your club code. Include a Meet Entry Report of your entries, listing the swimmer, USMS ID, and entries by swimmer name. Please rename the Meet Entry Report using your club code and the report name (such as ASC_EntriesByAthlete.pdf)

Athletes who wish to attend, independent of their team, my email their full name (as registered with USMS), USMS ID, team abbreviation, LSC, and entry times to the Entries Chair.

When submitting files to the Entries Chair, please include the name, email address, and phone number of the person submitting the entries. If you do not receive email confirmation, your entries were not received.

Entry Fees: \$40.00 flat fee for the event.

Please include the Meet Entry Fee Report with your payments. Entry fees must be postmarked by Monday, June 26, 2017 or your entries will be removed from the meet. Please send only one check per team location. Refunds will not be given for any reason.

Make checks payable to:
Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy

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5513 Southwest Parkway
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Deck

Entry Fees: \$50.00 flat fee for the event.

Deck/Late

Entries: Please scratch any event a swimmer does not plan on swimming the next day. Deck entries will only be accepted for open lanes. No new heats will be created. There is not a penalty for failing to scratch an event; this is simply a courtesy to the other swimmers to eliminate the empty lane.

Meet Referee: Roland Smits 512.415.7314 roland@patriotdetection.com

Official: David Dunn 512.791.3671 David.Dunn@hdrinc.com

Head Coach: Brendan Hansen 512.276.2324 Brendan@austinswimclub.org

Meet Director: Nate Chessey 512.276.2324 natec@austinswimclub.org

Entries Chair: Martha Hansen 512.276.2324 Martha@austinswimclub.org

Cell Phone

Restrictions: Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms, or locker rooms. There are no exceptions to this policy. Violators are subject to disqualification from the meet, disbarment from the facility, and arrest.

Racing Start

Proficiency

(Unaccompanied

Swimmers):

Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USMS member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When accompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. If your athlete will not be accompanied by a coach, please notify the meet director and the host club will ensure your child is properly accounted for.

Swimmer

Photographs

And Videos:

There may be one or more photographers and/or videographers on deck at this meet. In the event such personnel are present, parents or guardians of swimmers under the age of 18 who do not wish to have photos or videos of their athletes made are required to contact the Meet Director prior to the beginning of warm-ups. Photographers and videographers are strongly encouraged to stay out of the area immediately behind the starting blocks, but if present are specifically prohibited from making shots during the start phase of any race.

Drones:

Per USA Swimming Rule 103.13, the operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present." Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by the Vice President of Program Operations.

Deck

Changing: Deck changes are prohibited.

Special Needs: Please notify the Meet Director, Nate Chessey 512.276.2324, in advance of this event with the name and age of any member on your team who needs assistance to enter the building. The facility staff will make reasonable accommodations for swimmers, coaches, or spectators who wish to enter and use our facility. In any meet sanctioned or approved by South Texas Swimming, Inc., which may include one or more swimmers with visual, hearing, mental, or physical disabilities; the judging of such competitors shall be in strict accordance with the current USMS Rules and Regulations, i.e., Article 105. A disability is defined as a PERMANENT physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Coaches and/or athletes must notify the Meet Referee before the event begins if they are to be considered to be judged under Article 105.

Officials: All currently certified and in-training USMS officials are cordially invited to participate. All deck officials must be registered with USMS for 2017 and have a current Background Check and Athlete Protection Course acknowledged by USMS. Please email the Meet Referee prior to the meet with your availability and current certifications. Please report to the Meet Referee at least one hour prior to the scheduled start time of any session to receive your assignments. The wearing of name tags is strongly encouraged.

Timers: Teams should come prepared with volunteer timers if called upon.

Awards: No awards will be given at this meet.

Results: Results can be found on Meet Mobile.

Daily Schedule: Warm-ups will be conducted in accordance with the current STSI Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures attached to this meet announcement (page 9). Upon approval by all coaches, changes will be sent out by the Meet Director along with the heat sheet 2 days prior to the meet and will also be posted at the Clerk of Course the day of the meet. Starts/Dives will run from in one direction, starting from the starting block side.

Saturday Warm Up: 12:00 pm Clear Pool: 12:50 pm Start: 1:00 pm

Coaches Meeting: If the Meet Director and Meet Referee find it necessary to have a coaches meeting an announcement will be made stating the time and meeting place during warm-ups.

Hotel

Information: La Quinta Inn & Suites Austin Southwest at Mopac
4424 South Mopac Expwy
Austin, TX 78735
(512) 899-3000

Extended Stay America Austin - Southwest
5100 US Hwy. 290 W
Austin, TX 78735
(512) 892-4272

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Austin SW - Sunset Valley

4892 Hwy 290
Sunset Valley, TX 78735
(512) 891-9500

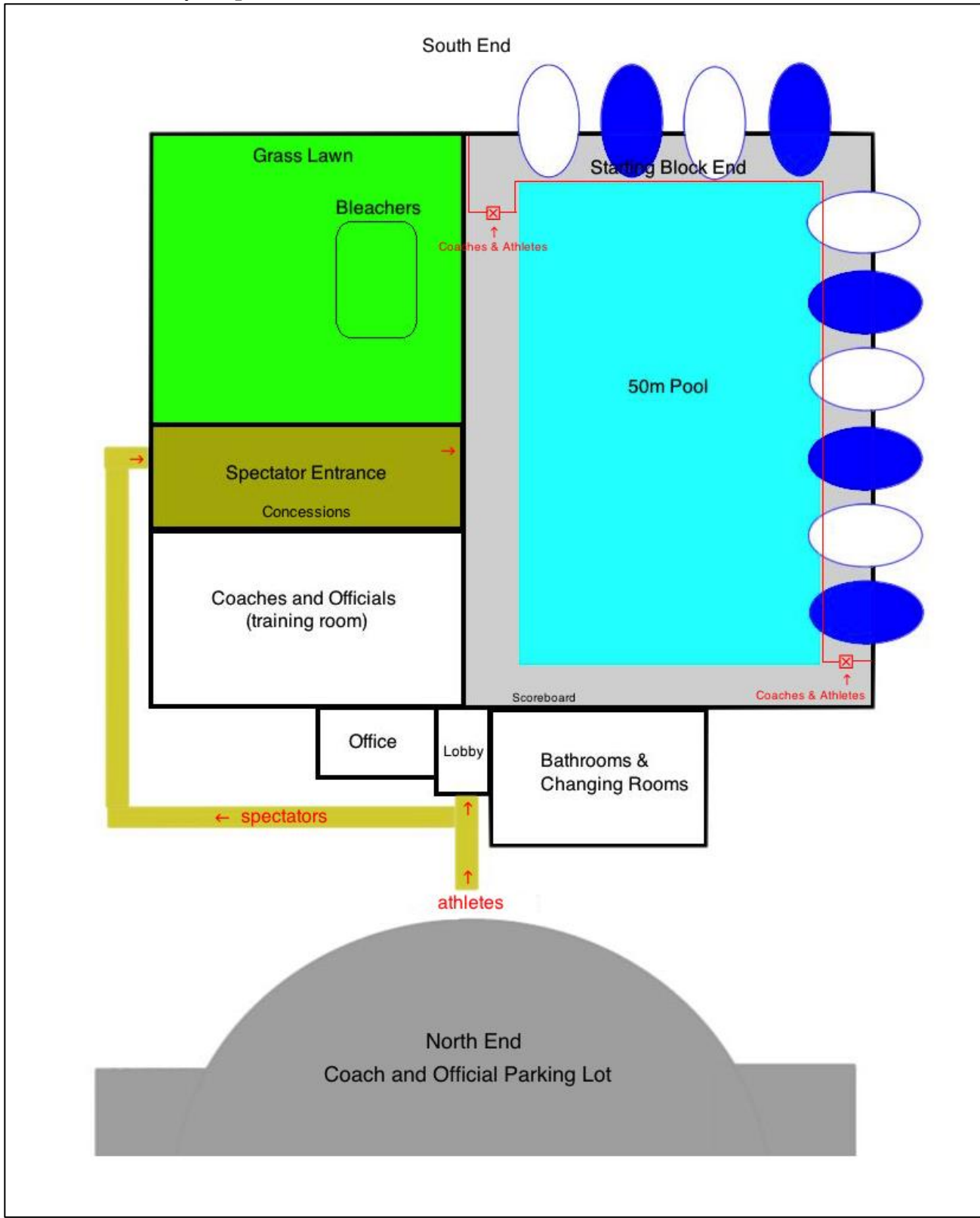
Hampton Inn Austin/Oak Hill
6401 Hwy 290
Austin, TX 78735
(512) 891-7474

2017 ASC July Masters Meet: Order of Events

All events will be swum in LCM

Event #	Gender	Event distance	Stroke
1	Mixed	400m	Free
2	Mixed	200m	Fly
3	Mixed	100m	Breast
4	Mixed	50m	Free
5	Mixed	200m	IM
6	Mixed	100m	Back
7	Mixed	50m	Breast
8	Mixed	200m	Free
9	Mixed	400m	IM
10	Mixed	200m	Back
11	Mixed	50m	Fly
12	Mixed	100m	Free
13	Mixed	200m	Breast
14	Mixed	50m	Back
15	Mixed	100m	Fly

Facility Map:



SOUTH TEXAS SWIMMING, Inc.

Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

A. WARM-UP PROCEDURES

I. Assigned Warm-up Procedures

- a. Warm-up lanes and times will be assigned to competing teams based on number of entrants.
- b. All warm-up activities will be coordinated by the coach(es) supervising that lane.
- c. Dive sprints may be done only under the direct supervision of the coach.

II. Open Warm-up Procedures

LANE USE

POOL	PUSH/PACE	DIVES/SPRINTS	GENERAL WARMUP
8 Lanes	1 and 8	2 and 7	3 through 6
6 Lanes	1 and 6	2 and 5	3 and 4

- a. The first half of the assigned warm-up time shall be general warm-up for all lanes.
- b. Push/Pace lanes will push off one or two lengths from starting end.
- c. Sprint lanes are for diving from blocks or for backstroke starts in specified lanes at designated times—one way only.
- d. Dive sprints may only be done under the direct supervision of the coach.
- e. There will be no diving in the general warm-up lanes—circle swimming only.
- f. No kickboards, pull buoys, or hand paddles may be used.

III. Safety Guidelines

a. Coaches are responsible for the following:

- 1. Instructing swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices.
- 2. Actively supervising their swimmers throughout the warm-up sessions, at meets, and all practices.
- 3. Maintaining as much contact with their swimmers AS POSSIBLE, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.

b. The host team will be responsible for the following:

- 1. A minimum of four marshals who report to and receive instructions from the Meet Referee and/or Director shall be on deck during the entire warm-up session(s).
- 2. Marshals will have the authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of a warm-up session, any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of these procedures.
- 3. The host team shall provide signs for each lane at both ends of the pool, indicating their designated use during warm-ups.
- 4. Warm-up times and lane assignments will be published in the meet information and posted at several locations around the pool area and the following statement will appear in the meet information: "South Texas Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures will be in effect at this meet."
- 5. An announcer will be on duty for the entire warm-up session to announce lane and/or time changes and to assist with the conduct of the warm-up.
- 6. Hazards in locker rooms, on deck, or in areas used by coaches, swimmers, or officials will be either removed or clearly marked.

B. MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- I. Backstrokers will ensure that they are not starting at the same time as a swimmer on the blocks. Swimmers shall not step up on the blocks if there is a backstroker waiting to start.
- II. Swimmers shall not jump or dive into the pool to stop another swimmer on a recalled start.
- III. Swimmers are required to exit the pool on completion of their warm-up to allow other swimmers adequate warm-up time.
The pool is not for visiting or playing during the warm-up session.
- IV. Warm-up procedures will be enforced for any breaks scheduled during the competition.
- V. No hand paddles, fins, or kickboards may be used at any time during general, specific, or between warm-ups unless approved by the Meet Referee.

NOTE: Host Clubs, with the consent of the Meet Referee, may modify the time schedule or recommended lane assignments depending on pool configuration, number of swimmers, or other considerations; so long as safety considerations are not compromised. Any such changes will be announced and/or prominently posted in the pool area.

STSI Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures last Revised 9/30/2013



**PARTICIPANT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY,
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT** *Revised 07/01/2014*

For and in consideration of United States Masters Swimming, Inc. ("USMS") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any USMS sanctioned or approved activity, including swimming camps, clinics, and exhibitions; learn-to-swim programs; swimming tryouts; fitness and training programs (including dryland training); swim practices and workouts (for both pool and open water); pool meets; open water competitions; local, regional, and national competitions and championships (both pool and open water); and related activities ("Event" or "Events"); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (the "Agreement");

1. I hereby certify and represent that (i) I am in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in the Events; and (ii) I have not been advised of any medical conditions that would impair my ability to safely participate in the Events. I agree that it is my sole responsibility to determine whether I am sufficiently fit and healthy enough to participate in the Events.
2. I acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of swimming. I understand that my participation involves risks and dangers, which include, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease, permanent disability, paralysis and death (from drowning or other causes); loss of or damage to personal property and equipment; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from adverse weather conditions; imperfect water conditions; water and surface hazards; facility issues; equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the Event organizers; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks"). I understand that these Risks may be caused in whole or in part by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any Events.
3. I agree to be familiar with and to abide by the Rules and Regulations established by USMS, including any safety regulations. I accept sole responsibility for my own conduct and actions while participating in the Events.
4. I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: USMS, its members, clubs, workout groups, event hosts, employees, and volunteers (including, but not limited to, event directors, coaches, officials, judges, timers, safety marshals, lifeguards, and support boat owners and operators); the USMS Swimming Saves Lives Foundation; USMS Local Masters Swimming Committees (LMSCs); the Event organizers and promoters, sponsors and advertisers; pool facility, lake and property owners or operators hosting the Events; law enforcement agencies and other public entities providing support for the Events; and each of their respective parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, officers, directors, partners, shareholders, members, agents, employees, and volunteers (individually and collectively, the "Released Parties"), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees) of any kind or nature ("Liability") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.
5. I further agree that if, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities which any may be incurred as the result of such claim.

I hereby warrant that I am of legal age and competent to enter into this Agreement, that I have read this Agreement carefully, understand its terms and conditions, acknowledge that I will be giving up substantial legal rights by signing it (including the rights of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns), acknowledge that I have signed this Agreement without any inducement, assurance, or guarantee, and intend for my signature to serve as confirmation of my complete and unconditional acceptance of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements, or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

Last Name	First Name	MI	Sex (circle) M F	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)
Street Address, City, State, Zip				
Signature of Participant			Date Signed	

