



## 2022 LOWER RICHLAND SWEET POTATO FESTIVAL COVID-19 PROGRAM/WAIVER STATEMENT

**{PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW}**

### **Activity Disclaimer:**

In signing up and participating in the Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival, you are expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or losses which you might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities, including transportation services, where provided.

I acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in the Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages, or loss, regardless of severity, that I/ or members may sustain as a result of participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims against the Richland County Recreation Commission and Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival, its officials, agents, volunteers, sponsors and employees that I /members may have as a result of participating in the Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEO DISCLAIMER**

I understand that photographs of myself/member's participation in the Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival may be used by the Recreation Commission to promote its events and facilities. I understand these photos may be taken without my receiving compensation and without me granting additional approval.

# **COVID-19 PROGRAMS | WAIVERS**

## **Assumption of 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 state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. Richland County Recreation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission" and Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival have created new protocols and put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID- 19; however, the Commission and Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival, cannot guarantee that you will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending any program may increase your risk of contracting COVID-19, and may increase the risk of transmitting COVID-19 to others.

I acknowledge the highly contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I, or members of my group or organization, may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating at the Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival in any event, program, and/or activity located at the Commission's facility or park, 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 in the Commission's facility or Hopkins Park may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, the Commission's employees, volunteers, and other participants and their families. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to myself or members of my group or organization, including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or

expense, of any kind, that they or I may experience or incur in connection with participation in any event, program, and/or activity, taking place in the Commission's facility at Hopkins Park. I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the Commission, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, of and from any claims related to COVID-19, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Richland County Recreation Commission Board of Commissioners/Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival and its employees, agents, volunteers and representatives from any claim that may arise from or in connection with me or members of my group or organization's participation in any program taking place in the Commission's facility, including claims related to COVID-19. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the Commission and Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any of the Commission's and Lower Richland Sweet Potato Festival program.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

