

**Professional Karate Schools of America
Registration/Medical Release/Risk Agreement**

Student Name (s) & Age (s): _____

Parent Name (s) (if student is a minor): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____ Emergency: _____

AUTHORITY TO TREAT

I, the undersigned, give the instructors, staff and responsible adults the power to authorize medical or other treatment of the person named above under "Student Name" subject to the limitations listed below, if any. If I am not the person so named, I am the parent, guardian or adult responsible for the person named, and I have the legal right to grant this power. Treatment may be made without regard to whether I or any other parent, guardian or adult responsible has been contacted or has consented to the specific treatment, provided it does not conflict with the limitations outlined below. This authority begins on the date signed and continues indefinitely.

Limitations to treatment: _____

Information of Medical Significance: _____

By giving my authorization, I assume responsibilities for all decisions made, provided they are reasonable decisions under the circumstances based upon the knowledge and understanding of the person making the decisions, and I trust their judgment and offer the benefit of the doubt to them in any claim or legal proceeding. This presumption may only be overcome by clear and convincing evidence that they acted with malice or willful gross negligence, and if so, they may still be liable.

I understand that the instructors, senior students or others may have some skills I first aid, CPR, and, at their discretion, I authorize them to use those skills and techniques to assist in any circumstance in which they judge their skills would be necessary or helpful.

INDEMNIFICATION BY PARENTS

Applicable only to parents enrolling minor children

I agree not to bring any claim or suit against the school, instructors, staff, guests, students, landlord, or any other parties on behalf of my child for any injury or harm sustained by any event short of criminal act, and then only the criminal shall be the subject of such a claim. I further agree that I will not cause to be brought, nor encouraged to claim or suit. I also agree not to cooperate in the bringing of such a suit or claim except insofar as I may be legally required to do so. Finally, I shall indemnify the school, instructors, staff, guests, students, and any and all additional defendants covered by this agreement for all judgments, costs, attorney fees and other expenses incurred as a result of a breach of this agreement.

SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, phrase or statement is found unenforceable or invalid by any Court of law, the remainder of the document shall remain valid enforceable and the invalid clause, sentence, phrase or statement shall be considered struck from the document.

DURABILITY

This document is effective from the date signed with no expiration. Furthermore, the terms of this document are retroactive to the beginning of training and visiting the school if this document was signed after that date.

I have read both pages of this document, and I understand the content of it. I agree to abide by the terms of it.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____

ADVISORY OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Safety is not the sole responsibility of Instructors and staff. Everyone is responsible for their own safety and the safety of those around them.

All students have the right and responsibility to excuse themselves from any exercise they believe will be harmful to them. All students must evaluate each situation in the context of their skill and current physical condition, and conduct each drill in a manner that is safe. If an instructor gives an instruction that is unsafe for that student, it is the student's responsibility to inform the instructor that the skill may be unsafe. The instructor will routinely excuse the student from unsafe exercises and drills. The instructor may ask for an explanation, and the student is expected to provide one.

All students have a responsibility to train and conduct themselves in a manner that helps all students and instructors remain safe. Students must give those who are training enough room to avoid being accidentally struck by someone else practicing, which is especially important when others are practicing with weapons.

In the event of an injury, students have the right and responsibility to evaluate the extent of harm, stopping what they are doing even if it includes a partner, and determining if it is safe to continue. Unless a student is certain that a practice will not create or worsen a problem, all students are encouraged to stop what they are doing and inform an instructor. In the event of a serious injury, all students, instructors, staff, and visitors, notably parents, have the right to call a stop to a particular training exercise.

If a student notes an unsafe training situation, which may include a student performing a skill incorrectly, a student not being careful about others, a defect in a piece of training equipment, a potentially dangerous obstacle or condition on the floor, or any thing else that may cause or lead to harm of student, instructors, staff, visitors or guests, then the student is expected to correct the situation if within their ability or notify an instructor or staff member immediately. If something is simple to correct, such as picking up a weapon left on the floor, the student should correct the situation. If the situation may require the authority of the instructor or staff, or if it is not a simple matter, then the instructor or staff member should be notified immediately.

ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND RISK

Martial arts is a potentially dangerous activity. Bumps, bruises, scrapes, scratches and soreness are commonplace, and most students will encounter this sort of minor injury from time to time in their training. More serious injuries are possible, including sprains, strains, twists, cramps, and injuries of similar magnitude, and students can expect to encounter these injuries infrequently. The possibility of more serious injury exists, including fractured bones, broken bones, torn ligaments, though not all students encounter such injuries. There remain, despite safety precautions, the remote possibility of crippling death, though this is certainly not expected in this martial arts class.

I understand the above statement of risk, and I understand the rights and responsibilities of students. I assume responsibility for my own safety (or the safety of my child), understanding and accepting the risks involved with the martial arts training. Even if the instructor has informed me that no serious injuries have ever happened in this school or with any of the instructors, I understand that this does not mean that there is no possibility of harm. By assuming this risk, I completely absolve all instructors, staff, guests, students, landlords, management companies and nay and all parties of liability for my harm, unless intentionally caused n criminal conduct.

NOTICE AND CONSENT TO INSTRUCTORS

This school seeks to make use of highly – trained, professional instructors, with both expertise and experience both n the art we teach and in teaching. Classes may be taught by the head instructor or any other qualified instructor. Should an instructor be unavailable for a given class, a junior instructor, senior student or guest instructor may teach. The choice of the instructor is left to the discretion of the school.

I understand that I may not always have the instructor I desire, but I shall seek to learn from whoever is teaching, to show the respect due the position of teacher to whomever is teaching, and to conduct myself in accordance with the etiquette established at this school. I understand that I have the responsibility for my own safety without regard to who is teaching the class. I specifically consent to any instructor the school, instructors or staff feel are sufficiently qualified by any standards they set to teach the class. I specifically understand and agree that the full force of this document applies no matter who is teaching.

NOTICE OF PHYSICAL CONTACT

Complete martial arts training involves a wide variety of skills. While practicing these skills, students may have contact with any portion of the body. The groin may be the target of kick, strikes, grabs. The chest, buttocks, groin, or any part of the body may be contacted by any part of the training partner's body during training by martial arts techniques, or incidentally contacted while performing a martial arts technique targeting another portion of the body.

When male and female students train together, or when adult and minor students train together, and in ay other training combination, the purpose an intent of the school, instructors and staff is to provide an environment for all students to learn and practice martial arts and self-defense. Students are expected to conduct themselves appropriately at all times to ensure the best training results for everyone.

Should any student feel a training partner is engaging in contact beyond the scope of training, or a training partner is taking undue an unacceptable advantage of training contact, or if a student is made uncomfortable by any training o partner, then that student has the right o withdraw from the exercise or drill. If the conduct of the training partner appears inappropriate, the student should inform an instructor privately. If the conduct of the training partner or any training partner appears criminal, then an instructor should be informed and authorities may be notified either by the student to the instructor, or both.

CONSENT TO PHYSICAL CONTACT

I understand the nature of physical contact in martial arts training, and I understand that I have the right to immediately withdraw from any exercise or drill in which the conduct of any party seems beyond the scope of training or makes me uncomfortable. I agree to abide by school etiquette in all matters pertaining to training, and I shall not in any way conduct myself inappropriately or take inappropriate advantage of the contact martial arts training allows. I have read this document, and I understand the content of it. I agree to abide by the terms of it.

ARBITRATION CLAUSE

Should any dispute arise between me, my child, or anyone acting on behalf of my child, regarding this school, then I specifically agree that the dispute shall be resolved in binding arbitration. Should a suit be filed in court, I specifically authorize the court to order the case to binding arbitration.