

Advisory and Waiver 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 by person-to-person contact or proximity. As a result, federal, state, and local governments (as well as federal and state health agencies) recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

Montana is currently in Phase 2 of its re-opening process, as ordered by the Governor and having taken effect on June 1, 2020. **The Montana Chess Association (the “MCA”)** is conducting its events in accordance with Phase 2; however, the MCA **cannot guarantee** that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, **attending MCA events could increase** your risk and your child(ren)’s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I and/or my child(ren) may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending MCA events and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks to the maximum extent allowed by Montana law. I accept all responsibility for injuries to me or my child(ren) – including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense – that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with attendance at MCA events, to the maximum extent allowed by Montana law. On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the MCA, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto, to the maximum extent allowed by Montana law. I understand and agree that this release includes – to the maximum extent allowed by Montana law – any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the MCA, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any MCA program.

Signature of Participant or Parent/Guardian

Date

Print Name of Participant

Print Name of Parent/Guardian