Skate park waiver

Participation at the skate park

I voluntarily choose to participate, or give permission for the skater named in this form to participate, in skate park activities provided or organised by **[Skate Park Name]**.

Skate park activities may include:

- Riding skateboards, BMX bikes, scooters, inline skates or roller skates
- Using bowls, ramps, quarter pipes, rails, ledges, boxes and flat areas
- Dropping in, carving, grinding, jumping and attempting tricks
- Open sessions, beginners sessions, lessons and coaching
- Competitions, jams, demonstrations, camps and private parties
- Watching from spectator areas and moving through shared park spaces

I understand that participation is voluntary and that the skater may stop at any time.

The park may refuse, restrict or end participation if it reasonably believes that a skater cannot ride safely, has failed to follow instructions or presents a risk to themselves or others.

Session passes, memberships, lesson fees and deposits remain subject to the park's cancellation and refund policies.

Skater eligibility

I confirm that the skater meets the park's minimum age and participation requirements.

Where I sign for a minor or another person who cannot legally provide their own consent, I confirm that I am their parent, legal guardian or otherwise legally authorised to provide consent on their behalf.

I confirm that the skater is physically and mentally capable of using the park safely, except for any condition or limitation disclosed to the park before participation.

I understand that the skater must choose obstacles and tricks that match their ability, and that being allowed to enter the park does not mean that every obstacle is suitable for them.

Skate park risks

I understand that skateboarding, BMX, scooter and inline riding are action sports in which falls are common, even for experienced riders wearing protective equipment.

Riders travel at speed on hard surfaces, often in several directions at once, and a board, bike or scooter may leave the rider and travel across the park.

Possible risks include:

- Falls onto concrete, wood or metal surfaces
- Concussion, head and facial injuries, and dental injuries
- Broken bones, particularly in the wrists, arms, collarbones, ankles and legs
- Sprains, dislocations and ligament damage
- Grazes, cuts and friction burns
- Collisions with other riders, spectators or obstacles
- Being hit by a loose skateboard, bike or scooter
- Falling from the top of a ramp, deck, bowl or ledge
- Spinal or neck injury
- Equipment failure, including snapped decks, loose trucks, worn wheels and failed brakes
- Serious injury, permanent disability or, in rare cases, death

I understand that the park cannot eliminate every risk associated with skate park use.

I voluntarily accept the ordinary and inherent risks of participation.

Helmets, pads and equipment

I agree that the skater will wear a properly fitted, fastened helmet whenever the park requires it, and I understand that some parks require a helmet at all times and for all riders.

Knee pads, elbow pads, wrist guards and mouth guards are recommended and may be compulsory for children, beginners, lessons or particular sessions.

I agree to wear flat, closed shoes with a good grip, and to avoid loose clothing or jewellery that could catch on equipment.

I agree to:

- Check the skateboard, bike, scooter or skates before riding
- Use only equipment in safe working order
- Fit BMX bikes with working brakes where the park requires them, and keep pegs and metal parts free of sharp edges
- Stop riding and report any damage to borrowed or hired equipment
- Follow the park’s rules on which equipment may be used in each area or session

I am responsible for the condition and use of my own equipment. The park does not check it unless it is hired from the park.

Taking turns, dropping in and snaking

I understand that collisions between riders often happen when people do not watch each other or take turns properly.

I agree to:

- Look and wait until the transition, bowl or line is clear before dropping in
- Wait my turn and not snake, or cut in front of, another rider
- Call out or signal clearly when taking a turn in a busy area
- Clear the landing and the bottom of a ramp quickly after a fall or trick
- Keep to the flow of the session and ride predictably
- Control my speed and stop when anyone falls in front of me
- Keep off the deck edge unless I am about to drop in or waiting my turn

I will not sit, stand or leave belongings on or near obstacles, landings, decks or the bottom of a ramp.

Beginners and younger skaters should use the beginners sessions or the area the park recommends. Experienced riders must give beginners room and take care around them.

Concrete, ramps and wet surfaces

I understand that park surfaces are hard and unforgiving, and that a surface may include concrete, wood, metal coping, rails, cracks, joints and changes in level.

I understand that water, rain, dew, frost, leaves, gravel, wax and debris can make a surface extremely slippery and can stop wheels without warning.

I agree not to ride on a wet surface or anywhere that staff have closed.

Where the park is outdoors, conditions can change quickly and the park may close without notice in bad weather or poor light.

I agree to tell staff about any crack, loose coping, damaged ramp or dangerous object. I will not add or move ramps, boxes, rails or other objects without permission.

Skater conduct and spectators

I accept responsibility for my conduct during participation and I will follow the park's rules, signs and staff instructions.

I agree not to:

- Use any riding equipment outside the areas or sessions allowed for it
- Attempt tricks well beyond my ability, or dare or pressure others to
- Throw, kick or abandon a board, bike or scooter
- Ride with headphones if this stops me hearing other riders or staff
- Fight, threaten or harass anyone at the park
- Bring glass bottles or sharp objects onto the riding surface
- Climb on fences, roofs, lighting or structures that are not part of the riding area
- Damage the park, or apply wax or other materials to obstacles unless the park allows it

Spectators must stay off the riding surface and behind any marked barriers.

A responsible adult must supervise children who cannot use the park safely without help. Park staff are not responsible for the supervision of children unless they are taking part in a staff-led lesson or camp.

I may be charged for damage caused deliberately or through misuse. A serious breach of the rules may result in immediate removal without a refund.

Physical condition and health

I agree to inform the park about any condition that may affect safe participation, including:

- A current injury or physical limitation
- A recent broken bone, sprain or dislocation
- A recent concussion or head injury
- Neck, back or spinal conditions
- Heart, circulation or blood-pressure conditions
- Asthma or a breathing condition
- Epilepsy, seizures, fainting or loss of consciousness
- Limited vision, hearing or balance difficulties
- Recent surgery or medical treatment
- Pregnancy or possible pregnancy
- Medication that thins the blood or affects coordination, judgment or alertness
- A restriction recommended by a healthcare professional

I understand that staff are not medical professionals unless expressly stated otherwise.

I will stop and inform a staff member if I experience pain, dizziness, breathing difficulty, unusual weakness or another concerning symptom.

Alcohol, drugs and impairment

I will not participate while impaired by:

- Alcohol
- Recreational or illegal drugs
- Medication that affects judgment, coordination or alertness
- Fatigue, illness or another condition that makes participation unsafe

I understand that the park may refuse or end participation if it reasonably believes that a skater is impaired.

Balance and reaction time matter in a shared riding area. The park may stop anyone from riding, even after they have paid for a session or membership, if it reasonably believes that they are impaired.

Personal belongings

I understand that clothing and personal belongings may become dirty, wet, damaged, lost or stolen.

I am responsible for protecting phones, jewellery, glasses, clothing and other personal property.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the park is not responsible for ordinary loss or damage to personal belongings unless caused by liability that cannot legally be excluded.

Emergency assistance

If the skater becomes ill or injured, I authorise the park and its staff to:

- Provide reasonable first aid
- Stop the skater from continuing
- Contact an emergency contact
- Contact emergency medical services
- Arrange transportation to an appropriate healthcare facility
- Share relevant information with emergency responders
- Take reasonable action to protect the skater’s immediate safety

I understand that the park cannot guarantee that an emergency contact will be reached before assistance is provided.

I accept responsibility for medical, ambulance and treatment expenses unless applicable law or legally established liability requires otherwise.

Assumption of risk

I knowingly and voluntarily accept the ordinary and inherent risks associated with skate park riding.

I accept responsibility for injuries, losses or complications caused or materially contributed to by:

- Relevant information I concealed or provided inaccurately
- A health condition or limitation I failed to disclose
- My failure to follow park rules or staff instructions
- My failure to wear a helmet or other required protective equipment
- My use of unsafe or unsuitable equipment
- My dropping in or riding without checking that the area was clear
- My reckless, unlawful or prohibited conduct
- My participation while impaired or medically unfit

Liability release

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, I release **[Skate Park Name]** and its owners, directors, park supervisors, coaches, instructors, employees, contractors and representatives from claims arising solely from:

- Ordinary and inherent skate park risks knowingly accepted in this form
- Relevant information I concealed or provided inaccurately
- My failure to follow reasonable safety rules or instructions
- Failure to wear required protective equipment
- Use of my own unsafe or unsuitable equipment
- My reckless, unlawful or prohibited conduct
- The conduct of another rider where it was outside the park’s reasonable control

This release does not exclude or limit liability that cannot legally be excluded or limited.

It does not apply to fraud, intentional misconduct, gross negligence, reckless conduct, breaches of mandatory safeguarding duties, violations of mandatory consumer rights or any other liability that applicable law prohibits the park from waiving.

Privacy and recordkeeping

I understand that the park may collect and retain information where reasonably necessary to:

- Register and identify skaters
- Confirm consent and eligibility
- Manage bookings and activities
- Understand relevant health or support needs
- Maintain safety and incident records
- Respond to injuries, complaints or legal claims
- Meet insurance, safeguarding and legal obligations

Information will be handled according to the park’s privacy notice and applicable data-protection laws.

Final declaration

By completing and signing this form, I confirm that:

- I have read and understood the entire waiver.
- The information provided is complete and accurate.
- I understand that skate park activities may cause serious injury.
- I understand and accept the ordinary and inherent risks.
- I will wear a helmet and any other protective equipment the park requires.
- I will check that the area is clear before dropping in and take turns with other riders.
- I will not ride on wet surfaces or in closed areas.
- I will not participate while impaired or medically unfit.
- I authorise reasonable emergency assistance where necessary.
- I had an opportunity to ask questions before signing.
- Participation is voluntary.
- I understand that this form does not remove rights or protections that cannot legally be waived.

Skater completion

Contact details

First name *

Last name *

Phone

Email *

Skater’s full name *

What will the skater ride at the park? *

- [ ] Skateboard
- [ ] BMX bike
- [ ] Scooter
- [ ] Inline or roller skates

- [ ] I have read, understood and agree to the Skate Park Liability Waiver and Assumption of Risk above. I confirm that the information provided is accurate, that I am authorised to sign for the skater where applicable and that I voluntarily accept the risks of skate park use. *

Signature *