WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY ("Agreement")

LOCATION: 8787 McHugh St, Windsor, ON N8S 0A1 (WFCU CENTER)

SEASON: 2026 ACES PUCK HOCKEY LEAGUE SEASON

Schedule: The season will run from April 19th, 2026 ("**Start Date**") to July 26th, 2026. There will be a total of 14 weeks including playoffs (there are no games scheduled for the Victoria Day Holiday, which will reflect in the official schedule sent to everyone). Only 12 regular season games are guaranteed, with a semi final and final to follow if qualified.

Game times: Game times are scheduled for **Sunday nights** anywhere from 7PM-10PM, refer to the schedule to see game times. We will mainly have 7/8pm games.

Cost: The cost to register this season is **$300.00.** You agree to provide this to Alessio DeBlasis prior to the deadline of **March 9th, 2026**.

Rules: There is zero-tolerance for hitting or fighting at any time for any reason. By signing this form, you agree that Alessio DeBlasis and Michael Lopez ("**Owners**", "**Released Parties"**), reserve the right to issue supplemental discipline for hitting, fighting, or any other conduct that is deemed inappropriate by the Owners. Participants acknowledge that any intentional act of violence or misconduct by another participant is outside the control of the Released Parties and is expressly assumed as a risk of participation. Such supplemental discipline includes but is not limited to: removal from a game, suspension or multi-game suspension, removal from the league completely. Supplemental discipline is issued at the complete and sole discretion of the owners and there will be no refund or return of money to any individual who is the subject of such discipline. No refunds will be issued for any reason including but not limited to injury, illness, suspension, expulsion, withdrawal, scheduling changes, facility closure, or events beyond the control of the Owners. MEDIA RELEASE: I grant the Released Parties permission to photograph and/or record me during the Season and to use such photographs or recordings for promotional, marketing, or commercial purposes without compensation.

Referees: There will be at least one (1) referee(s) per game each week (majority of the time there will be two (2) barring unforeseen circumstances or planned absences). You agree to treat referees with respect at all times.

Referees Discretion: Referees have full discretion to:

- Remove a Participant from a game at any time for activity or behaviour contrary to this Agreement.
- End a game at any time for any reason as they see fit regardless of how much time is remaining in said game.

Game Structure:

- The game will be structured as follows (beginning at each respective ice time which will be made clear on the schedule):
    - 3 minute warm up *GAME STARTS 3 MINUTES AFTER START OF ICE TIME*
    - Period 1: 15 minutes
    - Period 2: 15 minutes
    - Period 3: 12 minutes

Ice Time: Allotted ice times are solely controlled by WFCU Center and its staff. In the event a game goes past the allotted rented ice time, WFCU Center has the ability to end the game, regardless if there is still time remaining on the clock. ***The clock will always be running time, EXCEPT in the final minute of the third period in a close matchup, where the clock will be stop time.***

Season and Playoff Format: There are 4 teams this year. The top 3 teams will qualify for the playoffs and play in knockout games starting the 2nd last week of the season (2v3, 1st bye, 4th elimination). Until the championship game on the final week. During the playoffs the clock will be stoppage time.

2 points will be awarded for a win, 1 point for a tie, and 0 points for a loss.

Jerseys: Jerseys will be supplied for you. You are required to wear this jersey each game, with no exceptions.

Registered players/fill in players:

- Only players who are properly registered (filled out the google form, signed this waiver, and paid in full) will be allowed to play in the Season, with the exception of substitute players on a necessary basis only.

Substitute players are only permitted to play in the following circumstances:

- The team wanting to bring the substitute player must have less than the minimum skaters required to play a game (8 skaters not including a goalie);
- The substitute player must pay $15 to the Released Parties in order to play;
- The substitute player must play with the proper jersey of the team they are playing for, with no exceptions;
- **The substitute player must sign, date and submit a waiver form in order to be eligible to play.**

SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PLAY IN THE PLAYOFFS FOR ANY REASON*.

Knowingly playing with unregistered players or players who do not fit the description of the above will cause your team to automatically forfeit the game.*

Teams: The Owners will make reasonable efforts to accommodate each Participant's request with regards to what team they would like to play on, and who they would like to play with. Similarly, the Owners will make a reasonable effort to ensure that Participant's that registered as a team will have each requested player on their roster. The Owners may add or remove players to and from any team at any point in the season at their sole discretion when necessary to ensure adherence to parity, fairness, and the ensurance of equal roster sizes, regardless of whether or not a Participant requested a specific roster to be formed.

ASSUMPTION OF RISKS, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT WARNING: BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

1. I acknowledge and accept that Alessio DeBlasis, Michael Lopez, Aces Puck Hockey League, its officers, directors, agents, contractors, employees, volunteers, members and representatives of the Season (all hereunder collectively referred to as "**Released Parties**") are not responsible for any injury, death, loss or damage of any kind sustained by any person while participating in the activities/events as stated above (the "**Season**") and related activities of the Season provided through the Released Parties, including injury, loss or damage which might be caused by the Negligence of the Released Parties. I am aware that participating in the Season has some inherent risks.

2. The Released Parties have put in place measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19, however they cannot guarantee that any individual or organisation attending WFCU Center, using the Facilities or participating in the Season will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, participating in the Season could increase the risk of contracting COVID-19.I understand that by virtue of my participation or involvement in all activities related to the Season, that I will be exposed to risks of loss including financial loss. severe injury or death. I acknowledge the existence of known risks and potential unknown risks which may include, but are not limited to the following:
    a. Falls to the ground due to uneven or irregular terrain or surfaces; ILLNESS: the risk of bodily injury, illness and/or exposure to infectious diseases including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, COVID-19 and/or other communicable diseases, which cannot be eliminated notwithstanding the care and precautions taken by the Released Parties to mitigate against such risks. All manner of muscular and skeletal injuries, bruises, scrapes, cuts, strains, sprains, leg cramps, dislocations, or bone injuries; Head. facial, dental and neurological injuries such as concussions and traumatic brain injuries (TBI); An increased load on the heart that may result in dizziness, shortness of breath, fainting, chest pain or discomfort, nausea, and in extreme circumstances may result in a heart attack; Being struck with projectiles;
    b. Falling against, impacting, entanglement or impairment on apparatus, equipment or other natural or man made obstacles (visible or not visible), or

against the ground, floors, walls or other surfaces; Contact with participants, officials, spectators, or other people or sustaining injuries arising from their actions: My participation and/or use of equipment beyond my own skills and abilities; and The use, misuse, failure or malfunctioning of equipment. Hockey (Ball/Ice/Field/Ringette/Road/Sledge): Falling, impacting, entanglement or impairment on obstructions, apparatus/equipment, against the floor, ice surface, walls, rink boards, ground, road, stick picks, skates, pucks, sticks, helmets or nets.

- I freely understand accept the risks associated with COVID-19
- I understand that hockey is a high-risk contact sport and that serious injury, permanent disability, paralysis, or death may occur even when rules are followed and protective equipment is worn.
- I freely accept and fully assume all risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage, expense and other loss delay or inconvenience resulting from acts or omissions, including negligence of the Releasees.
- I acknowledge that other participants may act negligently, recklessly, or intentionally, and I expressly assume the risks arising from such conduct.
- I understand that I am solely responsible for my own health, medical, dental, and property insurance.

NOTE: Full Hockey Equipment - Players must wear a CSA approved hockey helmet. We strongly recommend wearing CSA approved full face shield or visor, securely attached while on the ice/road or the bench. Any injuries or harm resulting from the player's choice to not wear a face shield or visor will be of no responsibility to the Owners. FULL EQUIPMENT is also mandatory for all players. Goalies may wear a CSA approved Cat Eye mask.

The PARTICIPANT, by signing this agreement, understands the risks associated with being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs during the Season and agrees not to consume alcohol 6 hours prior to the Season or during the Season. Risks of consuming alcohol and/or drugs include, but are not limited to, dehydration, dizziness, poor judgement and lack of coordination; all of which may enhance the RISK OF ILLNESS OR INJURY. In addition, the PARTICIPANT agrees that it is his/her responsibility to adhere to the no alcohol and/or drugs policy during the Season. The organisers, along with their associated officers, directors, agents, contractors, employees, volunteers, members and representatives of the Season are not responsible for checking the players for signs of alcohol or drug consumption, and will not be held liable for any injury, death, damage or loss of any kind sustained by any person under the influence of alcohol or drugs (or the like) during the Season.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of the Released Parties allowing me to voluntarily participate in the Season, I hereby agree as follows:

1. RELEASE AND WAIVE as against the Released Parties any and all losses, liabilities, damages, injuries including death, claims, demands, lawsuits, costs, expenses including legal fees and disbursements, and any other liability of any kind including negligence, howsoever arising out of or in connection with my participation in the Season.
2. I shall indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all losses, liabilities, damages, injuries, claims, demands, lawsuits, costs, expenses including legal fees and disbursements, and any other liability of any kind including negligence, breach of contract or breach of any statutory or other duty of care, including any duty of care owed under the Occupiers Liability Act, RSO 1990 c.o.2., as amended, on the part of the released parties, howsoever arising out of or in connection with my voluntary participation in the Season. This Agreement is governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario and federal laws of Canada applicable therein. This Agreement survives termination of my participation in the Season. This Agreement cannot be modified or interpreted except in writing by the Owners and no oral modification or interpretation is valid.
3. This Agreement ensures to the benefit of and is binding upon me, my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, representatives, successors and assigns.

In entering into this Agreement, I am not relying upon any oral or written representations or statements made by the Released Parties other than what is set forth in this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be severed and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY VOLUNTARILY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES.

FULL NAME:_____.

SIGNATURE:_____.

DATE:_____.