

**THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY - READ BEFORE SIGNING**

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BEFORE THE PARTICIPANT IS ALLOWED TO TAKE PLACE IN ANY ROBOTIC COMBAT EVENT.**

**Participant's Name:** (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ **DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Team Name:** (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

**IN CONSIDERATION** of being permitted to participate in any way in the sport and activities of Robotic Combat under the auspices of the Northeast Robotics Club ("NERC") in conjunction with The Franklin Institute ("TFI"), I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

- 1.) The risk of injury from this activity and weaponry involved in robotic combat is significant, including the potential for permanent disability and death, and while particular protective equipment and personal discipline will minimize this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist.
- 2.) **I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS**, both known and unknown, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OR OMISSION** of those persons released from liability below, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
- 3.) I understand that the activities of robotic combat are physically and mentally intense. I understand the rules of competition and will comply with all the rules and regulations. If I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my participation, I will bring such to the attention of the nearest official as soon as practical; and
- 4.) I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigned personal representatives and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS NERC and TFI**, its officers and crew, and the owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the robotic combat activities, their officers, officials, agents and/or employees ("Releases"), **WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH**, or loss or damage to personal property, **WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASES OR OTHERWISE**, except that which is in the result of gross negligence and/or wanton misconduct.
- 5.) I understand and agree that this Release of Liability Agreement covers each and every robotic combat activity in which I participate.
- 6.) I irrevocably grant permission to the NERC and TFI and its agents, licensees and licensors nonexclusively to utilize my and my robots name and image or likeness in published photographs or incidental to any live or recorded video display or other transmission or reproduction in whole or in part of any Event. The Competitor understands and agrees that (a) any photographs, films, videotapes or other audio or visual recordings created by the NERC or TFI or their employees, volunteers, or staff will be the sole property of the NERC and TFI and (b) NERC and TFI or any appropriate staff member, volunteer, or employee may edit, preserve, destroy or release all or any part of such photographs, films, videotapes or other audio or visual recordings.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULL UNDERSTAND ITS' TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

Signature

Date

Phone Number

**FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE  
(UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF PARTICIPATION)**

This is to certify that I, as a parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree not only to his/her release of — and all other Releases, but also release and indemnify the Releases from any and all liabilities incident to his/her involvement in these programs, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Emergency Phone Number