

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT, RELEASE, AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Recreational Eagle Center; EZONE-Esports & Gaming Facility

I, the undersigned participant, desire to participate voluntarily in EZONE gaming activities at the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse EZONE-Esports & Gaming Facility. In consideration of the services of the State of Wisconsin, the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, and the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, their officers, agents and employees, and the UW-La Crosse EZONE-Esports & Gaming Facility, (hereinafter collectively referred to as "UWL.EZONE"), I hereby agree to release and discharge the UWL.EZONE, on behalf of myself, my children, my parents, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate as follows:

1. I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume all of the risks existing in this activity. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, and I elect to participate in spite of the risks. These risks include, among other things, exposure to flashing lights or other repetitive light patterns, which can cause lightheadedness, seizures, and/or blackouts to individuals who have an epileptic condition or are sensitive to light conditions.
2. I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless UWL.EZONE from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action, which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity or my use of UWL.EZONE's equipment or facilities.
3. I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may cause or suffer while participating, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage to myself. I further certify that I have no medical or physical conditions which could interfere with my safety in this activity, or else I am willing to assume - and bear the costs of - all risks that may be created, directly or indirectly, by any such condition.
4. I agree to grant UWL.EZONE authority to act in any attempt to safeguard and preserve my health or safety during my participation in this activity, including authorizing medical treatment on my behalf and at my expense.
5. I agree to conform to all applicable policies, rules, regulations and standards of conduct established by UWL.EZONE as may be updated from time to time. The current list of policies can be found at the following website: <https://www.uwlax.edu/recsports/ezone/#tm-policies>. In addition, a copy of those policies is below:

EZONE-ESPORTS GAMING POLICIES

Appropriate Use Policy

UWL Rec Sports welcomes and respects gamers of all types, from all places and backgrounds. In keeping with our inclusion statement, we are committed to equal access to our facility and programs regardless of ability, age, citizenship, economic status, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, race, religion, or sexual orientation. Therefore, the following policies are in place to create a welcoming, safe, and fair gaming community:

- Act with character and courtesy while respecting the rights, welfare, and dignity of all others in the facility
- Harassment and behaviors that create an intolerable environment such as bullying, threats of violence, stalking, or other forms of intimidation (physically or online) will not be tolerated. These include but are not limited to:
 - Spamming, raiding, hijacking, or inciting disruption of streams or social media
 - Posting or threatening to post other people's personally identifying information ("doxing")
 - Unwelcome sexual attention to include unwelcome sexualized comments, jokes, and sexual advances
 - Advocating for, or encouraging, any of the above behavior
- Refrain from excessive volume, swearing, vulgar language, acts of physical rage and offensive conduct
- Personal gear, including peripherals, backpacks, etc. must not show discriminatory or profane decals
- No cheating or illegal activity allowed
- Balance gaming with other university responsibilities, including class. We want you to be a successful competitor, but not sacrifice your studies or other responsibilities
- All UWL students are expected to comply with the [UWL Student Code of Conduct](#)
- Users of the facility must comply with all departmental, University, UW-System, state, and federal [technology use policies](#) (i.e. no installation of programs on computers, etc.)

To report an incident, please complete the [online incident report form](#).

Youth Policy

- Users under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older. One adult may supervise up to 5 youth.
- Participants under the age of 18 must have the EZONE Use Agreement signed by a parent or legal guardian unless the participants are full-time UWL Students. The agreement must be signed once per membership period or once per calendar year if a day pass is sold.

Facility Policies

- A government issued ID is required for all non-UWL patrons over the age of 16.
- Computers are to be used for approved gaming purposes only, unless otherwise approved by a member of the Rec Sports professional staff
- Audiovisual equipment may be controlled by trained Rec Sports staff members only.
- All equipment, including hardware, peripherals, furniture, etc. is not to be removed from the facility
- No food allowed; beverages allowed in a sealed, leak-proof container only and must be placed on the floor away from computers and peripherals
- Contact a member of the Rec Sports staff should a spill or incident occur
- Bags and personal belongings must be stored in the lockers or outside the facility
- Users may bring their own peripherals and gaming controllers
- Rec Sports is not responsible for lost or stolen items
- Users may be held responsible for damage related to their conduct (violation of these policies)

Gaming Policies

- Unless otherwise reserved or approved by Rec Sports professional staff, gaming sessions will be capped at 90 minutes if there are others waiting to use the PCs/consoles and gaming is limited to 3 hours per user per day. Please honor and respect the time of others.
- No new users and no new games should be started with less than 30 minutes left in operating hours; must exit the game upon closing.
- Log out of all game accounts before leaving your station
- When concluding time on PCs and consoles, clean up your area and wipe down equipment with cleaning materials provided
- Gambling of any kind is strictly prohibited on any EZONE activities.

By signing this document, I acknowledge that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged during my participation in this activity, I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against UWL.EZONE on the basis of any claim from which I have released them herein. I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document and have reviewed all EZONE-Esports Gaming Policies and agree to comply with them. I have read and understood it, and I agree to be bound by its terms.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S ADDITIONAL INDEMNIFICATION

Computers in the UWL.EZONE space have access to internet browsers which are capable of accessing any content on the internet. When accessing websites, users are required to follow UW-System's [acceptable use policy](#) while using UWL.EZONE resources

The catalogue of games offered by UWL.EZONE contains titles that have been rated as Everyone, Teen, or Mature by the Entertainment Software Rating Board. A list of game titles is available on the UWL.EZONE website at <https://www.uwlax.edu/recsports/ezone>. UWL.EZONE does not have the ability to restrict access to any of the available titles. In addition, other users in the space could have content from any game in the available catalog displayed on their monitors. By signing below, you are acknowledging that minors will have access to all of the available titles while in the UWL.EZONE facility and accept the risks involved with allowing a minor access to games that may be beyond their age group.

A parent or guardian must sign for any participant who is under the age of 18. The parent/guardian signature requirement does not apply if the minor is a full time UWL student.

Signature of Participant (or Parent/Guardian): _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Participant: _____