## Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is reported to be extremely contagious. The state of medical knowledge is evolving, but the virus is believed to spread from person-to-person contact and/or by contact with contaminated surfaces and objects, and even possibly in the air. People reportedly can be infected and show no symptoms and therefore can unknowingly spread the disease. The exact methods of spread and contraction are not fully known, and there is no known treatment, cure, or vaccine for COVID-19. *Evidence has shown that COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life-threatening illness and even death.* 

THE NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE cannot prevent you [or your child(ren)] from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while competing or volunteering at a NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE event. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to attend a NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE event you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

**ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I have read and understood the above warning concerning COVID-19.** I choose to knowingly accept the risk of contracting COVID-19 for myself and/or my child(ren) in order to attend the NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE's event.

WAIVER OF LAWSUIT/LIABILITY: I hereby forever release, and waive the right to bring suit against, NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE and its officers, directors, ride managers, ride officials, volunteers, ride judges, property owners and managers where the event takes place, and/or any other individual members and their representatives in any way involved in planning, authorizing, or conducting any event for and with respect to any claim of any nature arising out of exposure to, infection with, and/or spread of COVID-19 related or claimed by anyone to be related to the NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE's events, services, and venues. I understand that this waiver means I give up any and all rights to bring any claims including, but not limited to, claims for personal injury, death, disease or property losses, whether based on negligence, strict liability, or any other legal theory against the parties identified in this release with respect to any COVID-19 claim.

To the extent any dispute arises out of this agreement, the parties agree to submit said dispute to binding arbitration before a neutral arbitrator mutually selected by the parties, said arbitration to be conducted in accordance with the Rules of the American Arbitration Association. All such arbitrations shall be held in the county or district where the event occurred. If the prevailing party, NATRC shall be allowed to recover all costs and expenses incurred, including attorney's fees and costs. "MY SIGNATURE BELOW CONSTITUTES ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND BINDING ARBITRATION CLAUSE."

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS RELEASE, AND FREELY AND KNOWINGLY ASSUME THE RISK AND WAIVE MY RIGHTS CONCERNING LIABILITY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE:

Name of Rider/Participant (print)	Signature of Rider/Participant	Date
	e) who consent to Junior Rider/participant working and ent or legal guardian is <u>required</u> while the signature o	
Parent/Legal Guardian 1 (print)	Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian 1	Date
Parent/Legal Guardian 2 (print)	Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian 2	Date
Name of Junior Rider/ Participant		Birthdate