



**WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

The Mystic Aquarium, a division of Sea Research Foundation, Inc. (the “Aquarium”), offers various special programs including, but not limited to, the Pre Vet: Marine Health and Veterinary Science Program (the “program”).

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/guardian), hereby acknowledge that my child/ward  
\_\_\_\_\_ is voluntarily participating in the Program.

I understand that participation in the Program may expose my child to a variety of hazards and risks, foreseen and unforeseen, which are inherent in any program or activity that involves the use of Aquarium facilities and/or encounters with birds or animals at the Aquarium. These inherent risks include, but are not limited to, dangers of serious personal injury or even death (“Injuries”). I acknowledge that the Aquarium has not tried to diminish or minimize my understanding of the risks of Injury. I understand that Injuries may occur as the result of weather, other natural causes, the actions of other participants in the Program or third-parties in general, and/or the actions of birds or animals. I understand that these risks are inherent in any special interactive Program sponsored by the Aquarium. I further understand that there may not be medical facilities or professional medical personnel present during the conduct of any activity that is part of the Program.

In consideration for my child/ward’s acceptance as a participant in the Program and the services, facilities and equipment provided by the Aquarium, I confirm my understanding that:

- I have read and am familiar with the rules and conditions applicable to my child/wards’ participation in the Program, including applicable Interactive Program Conditions of Participation, and agree to conform behavior to such Conditions
- I agree that the Aquarium will only be responsible for Injuries directly and proximately caused by the negligence of the Aquarium staff. I otherwise agree to waive and discharge claims, and hereby release from liability, the Aquarium and the Aquarium’s officers, trustees, directors, employees, agents, volunteers and staff who are in any way connected with the Program (collectively, “Program Providers”). I further agree to hold the Aquarium and the Program Providers harmless from any claims, damages, injuries or losses caused by my child/ward’s own negligence or by my failure to comply with Program Conditions of Participation. I understand and intend that this assumption of risk, release and hold harmless agreement will be binding upon my heirs and successors.
- This Waiver and Release Form is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law. If any provision or any part of any provision of this Waiver and Release Form is held to be invalid or legally unenforceable for any reason, the other provisions of this Waiver and Release Form will not be affected and will continue to be binding.

I, and my child/ward have read this Waiver and Release Form and I freely and voluntarily assume all risks of Injury to my child/ward that are inherent in any program, activity or field trip that involves the use of aquarium facilities or sea-related activities and freely agree to participate or to allow my child to participate in the Program.

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Parent Name *(please print)*

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Child/Ward Participant *(please print)*

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Home Address

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UConn Pre-College Summer 2021  
Program

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Signature of Child/Ward Participant

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Age of Child/Ward Participant

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Date