



Dear Bulldog Members, Parents, and Guardians,

Welcome back to the 2010-2011 Bulldog calendar year. Our annual registration meeting will be held on Monday, August 30, 2010 at 7 PM sharp. Please arrive on time!

Parents, guardians and group home caregivers will be required to volunteer for 1 event per quarter. Sign-up sheets will be available at registration for the first 3 months of the new calendar year. Coaches and board members – your continued support will count as your volunteer requirement. We greatly appreciate everyone's help.

Our registration dues will be \$60.00 this year. Please download and print the registration packet prior to the meeting. By stapling the packet together, the registration process will go much faster. Fill the packet out prior to registration, and have the release of liability form notarized, if at all possible. Bring the completed packet and a check or cash for \$60.00 to the meeting. Be sure to include an email address, if you have one, which we can send information to.

You will not be able to attend any Bulldog events, including basketball, until we have your completed registration packet, and are contacted by a board member. You will not be able to bring your completed registration packet to any Bulldog events, but must mail it to the Bulldog office.

If you do not attend this meeting, and do not contact us, we will assume that you are no longer interested in being a Bulldog member, and will not send any further correspondence.

Please check out our website at: [www.thetamaracbulldogs.com](http://www.thetamaracbulldogs.com) to view our monthly calendar and obtain other information regarding the Bulldogs. You may also contact us at: [tamaracbulldog@aol.com](mailto:tamaracbulldog@aol.com) or phone us at the Bulldog office line – 954-978-2800 if you have any questions.

The Bulldog Board of Directors look forward to this new year, and with everyone's continued help and support, we know it will be a successful and enjoyable one for all of our members.

Sincerely,

The Bulldog Board of Directors



Where does the participant go to school or work? \_\_\_\_\_

What level of supervision does the participant require in your opinion?

Minimal supervision  Moderate supervision  Intensive supervision  No supervision

Are there any behavioral or emotional concerns we need to be aware of?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you think we should know or would like to share with us about the participant?

Yes  No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check all of the participant's interests:

Sports  Dances  Social Skills Training  Movies  Special Events

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of person completing this form

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*\*\*In the event a candidate is not accepted into the Bulldogs membership, your registration fee will be fully refunded.

**\*For Bulldog Intake Committee Only\***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer's Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

TO: All Participants, parents, guardians or caretakers  
RE: Limited release from liability  
FROM: The Bulldogs, A Special Needs Organization, Inc.  
EFFECTIVE: Until Revoked

The Board of Directors of the Bulldogs, A Special Needs Organization, Inc., has adopted a policy which requires that all participants either read the following information or have the following information read to them. In addition, the policy requires that the participant and either a parent, guardian or caretaker acknowledge, by their signature below, that they have read or have had this read and explained to them and that they agree to its terms.

### **A SIGNED “RELEASE FROM LIABILITY” IS REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE BULLDOGS, A SPECIAL NEEDS ORGANIZATION, INC.**

The Board of Directors of the Bulldogs, A Special Needs Organization, Inc. sponsors many events such as the monthly dances. Many of our participants are independent and are capable of participating in our activities without parent, guardian or caretaker supervision. However, there are other individuals who participate in our programs who require supervision. For many of our events, we do not provide direct participant supervision. We presume that for those in need of supervision, the parent, guardian or caretaker will stay at the event and supervise the participant.

When an event, such as a monthly dance is sponsored, from the moment that a participant is dropped off in the parking lot, we do not have knowledge as to whether or not he or she actually came into the building, nor do we know if he or she left early with or without the knowledge and consent of the parent, guardian or caretaker.

FOR THESE EVENTS, WE DO NOT ASSIGN SUPERVISORS OR CHAPERONES FOR INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPANTS AND WE DO NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SUPERVISION AND MONITORING OF THE INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPANTS.

**I HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD THIS RELEASE READ AND EXPLAINED TO ME. I UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. BY SIGNING BELOW, AS A PARTICIPANT OR AS A PARENT, GUARDIAN OR CARETAKER WITH THE LAWFUL AUTHORITY TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF A PARTICIPANT, I AGREE TO RELEASE THE BULLDOGS, A SPECIAL NEEDS ORGANIZATION, INC. FROM ANY LIABILITY WHICH MAY ARISE WHILE THE PARTICIPANT IS NOT OTHERWISE UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE BULLDOGS, A SPECIAL NEEDS ORGANIZATION, INC.**

I further acknowledge that The Bulldogs, A Special Needs Organization, Inc. has my permission, (both during and anytime after), to use my (or my minor child's) likeness, name, voice or words in either television, radio, film, newspapers, magazines, and other media, and in any form, for the purpose of advertising or communicating the purposes and activities of The Bulldogs and/or applying for funds to support these purposes and activities.

RELEASE FROM LIABILITY SIGNATURE PAGE

OR

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of adult participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to participant

STATE OF FLORIDA     )  
COUNTY OF BROWARD )

I HERBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, an officer duly authorized in the State aforesaid and in the County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared

\_\_\_\_\_,  
To me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she acknowledged before me that he/she executed the same, and the following form of identification was used:  
\_\_\_\_\_.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

# The Bulldogs, A Special Needs Organization, Inc

## CODE OF CONDUCT & RULES

### Athlete-Sporting Practices and Competitions

All Athletes are to follow the Rules of Conduct set forth by the Special Olympics Organization and enforced by all Coaches (see separate listing for those rules)

**The following list of rules and conduct apply for all Bulldog functions and to be followed by all Athletes, Program Participants , Volunteers and Family Members.**

### Section I:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (print your name) agree to follow the Bulldogs CODE OF CONDUCT and RULES as stated below:

1. No inappropriate touching. (Defined as touches not wanted by the other person and the other person Indicating “NO” to a physical interaction. Kissing, hugging, and handshaking “Hello” is permissible as long as it is mutually wanted)
2. No destruction or breaking property.
3. All participants, including Family members, must show respect for one another at all times. Lack of respect will not be tolerated.
4. There will be no cursing permitted at any event. If a participant accidentally curses, it will be up to the supervising adult as to how to handle the particular situation.
5. No one is to leave an event without the knowledge or permission of the assigned supervisor(s)
6. No destructive toys, items, or potentially harmful substances may be permitted at any event (i.e. Silly String)
7. There will be no consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal substances during any Bulldog Organization event (a Bulldog event is considered any Bulldog sponsored program, field trip or activity) by any member, parent/guardian, coach, chaperone or volunteer. The policy is in effect during all times of the event, including those times when a coach/chaperone may be relieved or on a break.
8. Smoking or chewing tobacco will not be allowed at any Bulldog event except in designated areas.

### Section II:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (print your name) also understand that if I break any of the above rules the following actions could take place.

1. Immediate Suspension- This action would be taken if there was an unwanted physical or sexual action, or if someone threatened the health and safety of others or themselves.
2. Warnings\_ You will be given up to three (3) warnings if you break any of the rules with the exception of hurting or inappropriately touching of someone else. Examples include, but are not limited to: arguments, cursing or hurtful “fooling around”. Depending on the situation, a participant may have to meet with the Bulldogs Disciplinary Action Committee to decide on the actions to be taken.
3. Suspension- A participant will be suspended after they are give three (3) warnings and continue to violate any code of conduct or rules.

4. Reporting to Authorities – Any illegal activity will be discussed with the Bulldog’s legal counsel and appropriate action will be taken.
5. YOU MAY BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE BULLDOG MEMBERSHIP IF YOUR BEHAVIOR DOES NOT IMPROVE OR, IF YOUR ACTIONS ARE DEEMED UNACCEPTABLE.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read the above Rules and Actions and understand them.

\_\_\_\_\_ The above Rules and Actions have been explained to me and I understand them to the best of my ability

\_\_\_\_\_ A family member, guardian or advocate has read the above Rules and Actions on behalf of participant,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant’s Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Family, Guardian or Advocate Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Bulldog Organization is made up of all volunteers whom have taken time from their lives to offer our members activities to enrich their lives. Our volunteers have responsibilities of their own and cannot take on the responsibility of providing transportation for our members.

Transportation to and from Bulldog Events is the responsibility of parents, guardians and/ or chaperones. Arrangements should be made **before** a member is brought to a function. If the family cannot do this, then the member should not attend.

All members must be picked up at the end of each event **on time**.

If a member is not picked up at the end of the event within **fifteen (15) minutes**, the local authorities will be contacted.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Bulldog Member signature (if over 18)

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Date

# **BULLDOG ACTIVITIES LOCATION ADDRESSES**

## **Bulldog Office**

3423 Hiatus Rd, Sunrise, FL 33351  
Phone: 954-978-2800 Fax: 954-358-1290  
[www.thetamaracbulldogs.com](http://www.thetamaracbulldogs.com)

## **Dances**

Tamarac Community Center  
8601 W Commercial Blvd, Tamarac

## **Athletic Events**

Tamarac Multi-Purpose Center/GYM  
7501 N. University Drive  
Tamarac, Fl 33321

## **Movie & Pizza Night**

Sophia's Restaurant  
760 Riverside Dr., Coral Springs (Outback Center)

Trademark Cinema  
770 Riverside Dr, Coral Springs

## **Bowling**

Strikers Family Bowling Center  
8500 NW 44<sup>th</sup> St, Sunrise,  
Phone: 954-749-1400  
(44<sup>th</sup> Street – between Pine Island & University)

## **Board Meetings**

Foxwood Hollow Apts Clubhouse  
2990 Riverside Dr, Coral Springs  
(West side of Riverside Dr- between Sample Rd & Royal Palm Blvd)

***BE SURE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MONTHLY CALENDARS***