

## **WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

IN CONSIDERATION OF BEING ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY WAY IN THE MIDWESTLAN20 EVENT ON OCTOBER 12<sup>th</sup> to OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup>, 2087 AT THE MADISON MARRIOTT WEST (MIDDLETON, WI), AND RELATED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES, THE UNDERSIGNED:

1. AGREES THAT HE/ OR SHE WILL, PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT, INSPECT THE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT TO BE USED, AND IF THE PARTICIPANT BELIEVES ANYTHING IS UNSAFE, HE OR SHE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY ADVISE A MIDWESTLAN OFFICIAL AND REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE. IF THE PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18; A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN SHOULD INSPECT THE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT WITH THE PARTICIPANT TO DETERMINE SAFENESS.
2. ACKNOWLEDGES AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THAT EACH PARTICIPANT WILL BE ENGAGING IN ACTIVITIES AND CONTESTS THAT MAY INVOLVE RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY TO THEIR PERSON AND TO COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONICS, INCLUDING VIRUSES, POWER FAILURE AND SEVERE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES WHICH MIGHT RESULT NOT ONLY FROM THEIR OWN ACTIONS, INACTIONS OR NEGLIGENCE, BUT THE ACTION, INACTION OR NEGLIGENCE OF OTHERS, OR THE CONDITION OF THE PREMISES OR OF ANY EQUIPMENT USED. FURTHER, THAT THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS NOT KNOWN TO US OR NOT REASONABLY FORESEEABLE AT THIS TIME.
3. ASSUMES ALL THE FOREGOING RISKS AND ACCEPT PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DAMAGES FOLLOWING SUCH DAMAGE, PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY.
4. RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE MIDWESTLAN, MAD CITY, LLC, AND/OR THE MIDWESTLAN EVENT ORGANIZERS, STAFF, AND VOLUNTEERS, PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS, OTHER PARTICIPANTS, SPONSORING AGENCIES, SPONSORS, ADVERTISERS, AND, IF APPLICABLE, OWNERS, LEASERS, AND EMPLOYEES OF PREMISES USED TO CONDUCT THE EVENT, ALL OF WHICH ARE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "RELEASEES", FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY TO EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED, HIS OR HER HEIRS AND NEXT OF KIN FOR ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES OR DAMAGES ON ACCOUNT OF INJURY OF ANY TYPE, INCLUDING DEATH OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.
5. AGREES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THEFT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND IF CAUGHT IN SUCH AN ACT THE MIDDLETON AND/OR MADISON POLICE WILL BE NOTIFIED.
6. RELEASE, WAIVE, and DISCHARGE ALL RIGHTS TO ALL PHOTOGRAPHS AND OR VIDEO TAKEN BY MYSELF OR OTHERS WHILE AT THE MIDWESTLAN EVENT TO ITS ORGANIZERS, PRESS AGENCIES, AND SPONSORS. I UNDERSTAND THAT MY PICTURE AND LIKENESS MAY BE USED IN PUBLICATIONS AND ON WEBSITES IN THE FUTURE FOR PROMOTIONAL OR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES. I UNDERSTAND THAT DUE TO THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS I MAY HAVE TO TURN OFF MY VIDEO CAMERA IF ASKED BY AN EVENT ORGANIZER.
7. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ATTACHED LAN RULES AND REFUND POLICY BELOW. I UNDERSTAND THAT BREAKING THESE RULES CAN RESULT IN MY IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM THE EVENT WITHOUT REFUND.

**I/WE HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT VOLUNTARY.**

TODAY'S DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME OF PARTICIPANT \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

**If PARTICIPANT IS Under 18:**

PRINTED NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO PARTICIPANT: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER OF PARENT/GUARDIAN (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*\* YOU MUST BRING THIS FORM WITH YOU TO REGISTRATION \*\*\*\*\***

## MidWestLAN20 RULES:

1. You must check in at the door, turn in this waiver, and get a name badge before bringing in your equipment.
2. You must be at least 13 years of age or older to attend a MWL event by yourself. If you are under 18 years of age a parent/legal guardian must sign your waiver form which must be brought with you when you register. Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by a paid parent/guardian attendee.
3. Illegal drugs are not permitted inside of the event venue.
4. No outside food will be allowed in the event venue.
5. No sleeping on the floor in the venue. We will wake you up if you're caught doing so.
6. No smoking inside the venue. Please use the designated outdoor smoking zones or your hotel room (if you have a smoking room) to smoke.
7. Acts of physical violence towards attendees, staff, volunteers, etc. will result in immediate expulsion from MidWestLAN20 and the notification of local law enforcement.
8. All attendees are required to show legal, photo identification, or it will be assumed that you are under 18 years old and need a parent/legal guardian to sign the Waiver and Release of Liability
9. Spectators are not allowed unless you have purchased a pass or been given permission by MidWestLAN staff.
10. You will be given a 3 feet wide x 30 inches deep space for your equipment. Keep your stuff confined to your area.
11. Please keep monitor sizes below 21'' for CRTs, and 30'' maximum or any combination of dual monitors for LCDs that does not exceed your allotted space.
12. Each attendee must sign a waiver acknowledging that they will take full responsibility for any damage or loss that may happen to their equipment or person as a result of participation at MidWestLAN. This means that anything you bring into the event or win at the event, you are liable for.
13. No hacking or intentional network disruption of any kind. We have a zero tolerance policy for this kind of behavior and reserve the right to eject you immediately if you are discovered doing this.
14. No bit torrenting or downloading of any illegal content/software/etc from the Internet at MidWestLAN. If you are discovered doing this we reserve the right to eject you immediately.
15. Be respectful of other attendees' equipment, MWL's equipment, and the venue's property. Do not tamper/touch anything that is not your own.
16. You are allotted about 4amps which translates to 480watts of power. If your system uses more than 480watts you must contact staff to make special arrangements.
17. Surge protectors will be provided. DO NOT daisy chain off of these surge protectors or any other power source at the event.
18. We try to maintain a family friendly environment. Keep the profanity to a minimum.
19. During the evening hours (10PM to 9AM) please keep the noise levels down. If we have to ask you more than once to be quiet we will remove you from the venue for the evening.
20. Maintain good personal hygiene. Complaints about your body odor will lead to removal from the event until you remedy the situation. If someone smells, please report it to the staff. We do not have the time to actively seek out people who smell.
21. Due to time constraints, the MidWestLAN staff reserves the right to modify the tournament/event schedule as needed.
22. Clean up after yourselves. There will be trash cans on site.
23. If you damage or break any equipment belonging to, lent to, or donated to the MidWestLAN organization or the event venue, you will be held responsible to pay for the damages to repair or replace the item.
24. Distributing Pornography to minors or possessing pornography as a minor is illegal and not allowed. Disable any shares you may have that would violate this policy.
25. No hardware may leave the event rooms between the hours of 2AM to 10AM. This is for the safety of your equipment.
26. We have a zero tolerance policy towards any kind of sexual harassment. If reported you will be removed from the event.
27. By participating in this MidWestLAN event, you ACCEPT all tournament rules and results and understand that arguing with the tournament admin(s) can result in immediate disqualification from that tournament. Continuing to argue may result in disqualification from all other tournaments and/or removal from the event.
28. External Hard Drives, phone chargers and other non-essential peripherals are limited to two (2) in order to prevent excessive power usage.
29. You may not distribute flyers, company product, or company branded items at MidWestLAN unless have prior permission from the MidWestLAN staff.

### MidWestLAN Refund Policy:

There are no refunds of tickets purchased for MidWestLAN20. There are also no refunds issued for any lost time during the event due to network or power disruptions.

**This page two does not need to be signed or turned in to the registration desk. You need only read it in conjunction with your waiver. On the waiver page you acknowledge that you have read, understand, and intend to follow the above rules.**