



2024-2025 Season

FOR INSPIRATION AND RECOGNITION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (*FIRST*®) ("*FIRST*")

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE AND RELEASE AGREEMENT ("AGREEMENT")

This consent to participate and release agreement is a requirement for all persons desiring to participate in *FIRST*® Robotics Competition, *FIRST*® Tech Challenge, *FIRST*® LEGO® League, *FIRST*® Professional Development, or another *FIRST*® program (a "Program" or together the "Programs"). Please complete the form below.

I am 18 years old or above the legal age of majority in my country and intend to participate in *FIRST* Programs.

OR

I am the parent/guardian of a minor (under 18) and consent for them to participate in *FIRST* Programs.

Please review the following statements:

COLLECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

FIRST takes your privacy seriously. As a nonprofit and a mission-driven youth-serving organization, we are compelled to understand who we are serving, how our programs are performing, and make improvements so that we can achieve our goals of making *FIRST* accessible to any youth. Thus, we need to collect certain personal data from you to ensure we are meeting our goals and responsibilities as a youth-serving nonprofit organization.

The *FIRST* Privacy Policy describes how *FIRST* collects and processes the personal data that you provide to us. A copy of the privacy policy is available for you to review at www.firstinspires.org/about/privacy-policy.

I have read, understand, and consent to the *FIRST* Privacy Policy, which allows *FIRST* to collect and use my, or my child's personal data, including photographs and video. I understand that if I have any questions about data collection, storage, processing, or sharing, I can get more information by emailing privacy@firstinspires.org

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The risks and dangers of participation may include, without limitation, injury or illness resulting from: building, lifting, and using electrical/mechanical robots and robot components; using tools; and other activities associated with participation in the program including traveling to and from *FIRST* events.

Injury or illness may also result from interactions with other participants, including being exposed to COVID-19 and other communicable diseases. Participant understands that *FIRST* does not select, employ, supervise, or otherwise exercise authority or control over the coaches, mentors, and other participants during their participation in the Program. These risks will exist even if participants wear proper safety equipment and take reasonable measures to protect themselves.

Participant acknowledges and agrees that they are primarily responsible for their safety. The Parent/Guardian of a Participant under 18 years of age acknowledges and agrees that the Parent/Guardian is primarily responsible for the Participant's safety and that the Parent/Guardian will monitor, as appropriate considering the age of the Participant and other factors, the Participant's participation in the Program.

I acknowledge that participation in *FIRST* Programs is voluntary, and may subject participants to personal injury, property damage or loss, and/or death. I have considered the risks of participation and give my informed consent for myself and/or my child to participate in *FIRST* Programs.

I agree to assume all risk of such participation and hereby release *FIRST*, its directors, officers, employees, Program Delivery Organizations, Program Delivery Partners, agents, contractors, volunteers, vendors, other participants, and any other third party working on behalf of *FIRST* or in support of *FIRST* Programs, from any and all liability arising from or related to participation in *FIRST* Programs.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to this Consent to Participate and Release Agreement.

NAME (PRINTED): _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

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I agree that my electronic signature shall be as valid as an original "written" signature and is the same as a handwritten signature for the purposes of validity, enforceability and admissibility. This electronic signature will constitute a record established and maintained in the ordinary course of business and an original written record when printed from electronic files.