

Carolina Bears Football

Fall 2026 Participant Waiver, Assumption of Risk, Release of Liability, and Indemnification Agreement

Acknowledgment of Risk

I, the parent or legal guardian, understand that participation in youth tackle football, conditioning, practices, games, scrimmages, travel, team events, and all activities associated with the Carolina Bears Football program involves inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken by coaches, volunteers, or the organization.

These risks include, but are not limited to:

- Sprains, strains, fractures, and broken bones
- Cuts, bruises, and contusions
- Dental injuries
- Head injuries, including concussions
- Neck and spinal injuries

I understand that these injuries may result from contact with other participants, playing surfaces, weather conditions, equipment, transportation, facilities, or the ordinary risks associated with athletic participation.

I knowingly and voluntarily permit my child to participate acknowledging these known and unknown risks.

Assumption of Risk

I voluntarily assume, on behalf of myself and my child, all risks associated with participation in Carolina Bears Football activities.

I certify that my child is physically capable of participating in football activities and that I will notify the organization immediately if any medical condition changes.

Medical Authorization

In the event of illness or injury, I authorize the Carolina Bears Football staff, coaches, volunteers, or their designees to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child if I cannot be reached.

I understand every reasonable effort will be made to contact me before treatment whenever practical.

Medical Expenses

I understand that the Carolina Bears maintains accident insurance intended to provide limited secondary coverage for qualifying injuries sustained during approved team activities.

I further understand and expressly agree that:

- The Carolina Bears' insurance is not a substitute for my family's personal health insurance.
 - I remain solely responsible for maintaining appropriate medical insurance for my child.
 - I am responsible for all medical bills, deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, exclusions, non-covered services, rehabilitation costs, prescription costs, transportation costs, and any other expenses not paid by my personal insurance or the Carolina Bears' insurance.
 - The Carolina Bears does not guarantee payment of any medical expenses.
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Release of Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by South Carolina law, I, individually and on behalf of my child, hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue:

- The Ele7en Twenty Two Foundation, Inc.
- Carolina Bears Football
- Its Board of Directors
- Officers
- Coaches
- Volunteers

- Team parents
- Officials
- Sponsors
- Property owners
- School districts
- Municipalities
- Facility operators
- Event hosts
- Their respective employees, agents, representatives, successors, and assigns

from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, liabilities, damages, losses, costs, or expenses arising out of or relating to my child's participation in Carolina Bears Football activities, except where prohibited by law or caused by gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Indemnification

To the fullest extent permitted by South Carolina law, I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Ele7en Twenty Two Foundation, Inc., Carolina Bears Football, and all released parties from and against any claims, lawsuits, damages, judgments, liabilities, costs, attorney's fees, or expenses arising out of:

- My child's participation in program activities;
- Any act or omission by my child;
- Any claim brought by or on behalf of my child against the released parties;
- My own acts or omissions related to participation in the program.

This obligation survives the conclusion of the Fall 2026 season.

Equipment Responsibility

I understand football is a contact sport.

I agree to ensure that my child uses properly fitted equipment and follows all coaching instructions regarding equipment usage.

I understand that no helmet, shoulder pads, mouthpiece, or protective equipment can completely prevent injury.

Photo and Media Release

I grant permission for the Carolina Bears and the Ele7en Twenty Two Foundation to photograph, record, and use my child's name, image, likeness, voice, and video for educational, promotional, fundraising, website, social media, marketing, and other organizational purposes without compensation.

Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of South Carolina.

Acknowledgment

By paying registration fees and accepting the game day uniform, I certify that:

- I have carefully read this entire Agreement.
- I fully understand its contents.
- I have had the opportunity to ask questions before participating.
- I sign this Agreement freely and voluntarily.