

## Liability Waiver

Thank you for participating in the HSWC Pooch Plunge. By participating at the event, and attending as a participant or guest at the City of Hagerstown Potterfield Pool and/or Marty Snook Park Pool, I agree on behalf of myself, my spouse, my children, heirs, personal representatives and assigns (collectively "guest"), to the following:

1. To indemnify and hold harmless the Humane Society of Washington County, the City of Hagerstown, Washington County government, and its agents associated with the Pooch Plunge, all sponsoring organizations and their elected officials, directors, employees, representatives and volunteers from any responsibility, injury, property damage, loss, personal liability, or claims of loss, damage or expenses that may occur or relating to the participation/ attending within the event. The entities above are not responsible for any injury sustained by exhibitors, patrons, animals or guests.
2. While attending the Pooch Plunge with my animal(s) and should any injury occur to any person, other animal or property as a result of the behavior of my animal(s) at the event, whether expected or unexpected, regardless of the stimulus for the behavior (i.e., animal's spontaneous conduct, the conduct of another animal, the conduct of any person or thing, or a combination of any of these), I will be solely liable and be held responsible for any injury or property damage that results from (including reasonable attorney's fees) any and all claims of liability and damages from any injury, property damage, loss, claim, or expense resulting from the behavior of my animal.
3. To report any and all injuries immediately to the Humane Society of Washington County Event Management.
4. That bringing my animal/pet into the Pooch Plunge, I understand that I am doing so at my sole risk, cost and expense and any harm that comes to the animal shall be solely my responsibility; and that I will be solely responsible for cleaning up any messes made by my animal/pet.
5. That my animal/pet is healthy, free from parasites and has all necessary shots including rabies for dogs.
6. For valuable consideration received, I give HSWC, their assigns, licensees, and legal representatives the irrevocable right to use my picture, portrait or photograph in all forms, media and promotional materials, without restriction as to changes or alterations for advertising, trade, promotion, exhibition, or any other lawful purposes. I waive any right to inspect or approve the photographs or electronic matter that may be used in conjunction with them now or in the future, whether that use is known to me or unknown, and I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of the photographs.
7. That I understand that if my animal/pet acts in any way considered aggressive or dangerous I will have to leave the event and will not be entitled to any refund.
8. I am aware of the risks and hazards inherent upon entering the pool area and I choose to voluntarily enter the premises, knowing the conditions might become more hazardous and/or dangerous for me and/or dog(s). I understand that water may carry disease or waste from dogs entering the pool and should not be considered safe for humans to enter.

**Photography disclaimer:** I release the HSWC, its officers and employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the taking, recording, digitizing, or publication of interviews, photographs, computer images, video and/or sound recordings. I permit the use of my photo in brochures and other promotional materials without compensation. I have read the entry information and certify compliance by signing below.

**Disclaimer:** I, for myself, my heirs and administrators, hereby signify that the Humane Society of Washington County (HSWC), The City of Hagerstown and the Washington County Government sponsors of Pooch Plunge 2023, and all other organizations and persons connected with this event will not be held responsible for any injuries or damages I might suffer as a result of my participation in the September 2023 events and I hereby waive any claim for damages to my person or property. I hereby certify that I am physically able to participate in the event. In addition, I permit that use of my photo in brochures and other promotional materials without compensation. I have the entry information and certify compliance by signing below.

### PARTICIPANT:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature & Date. If Under 18, Parent/Guardian's

Number of Dogs plunging: \_\_\_\_\_

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