

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

AFURI FRANCHISE INC.

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We are AFURI FRANCHISE INC., an Oregon corporation. We offer franchises to qualified individuals and entities to own and operate fast-casual restaurants that offer freshly prepared ramen (Japanese style noodle) dishes with a diverse selection of broths, noodles, proteins, sauces and garnishes as well as sushi, rice bowls, Japanese appetizers and other food and beverage products for on-premises and off-premises consumption and catering events. Our franchisees use our programs and systems (the "System") and the names "Afuri®," "Afuri Ramen + Dumpling®," and our related trademarks, service marks and logos (collectively the "Marks").

The approximate total investment necessary to begin operation of an Afuri franchise is \$557,000 to \$944,000. This includes \$45,000 payable to the franchisor or its affiliate(s).

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar-days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact our President and Chief Executive Officer, Taichi Ishizuki, at 923 SE 7th Ave., Portland, Oregon 97214, (503) 468-5001, taichi@afuri.us.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them. Issuance Date: March 15, 2019

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RISK WARNINGS (Required for Compliance with the British Columbia, Canada Franchises Regulation)

A prospective franchisee should seek information on the franchisor and on the franchisor's business background, banking affairs, credit history and trade references.

A prospective franchisee should seek expert independent legal and financial advice in relation to franchising and the franchise agreement before entering into the franchise agreement.

A prospective franchisee should contact current and previous franchisees before entering into the franchise agreement.

Lists of current and previous franchisees and their contact information can be found in this disclosure document.



STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit C for information about the franchisor, or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise:

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY MEDIATION, ARBITRATION, AND LITIGATION ONLY IN OREGON. OUT-OF-STATE LITIGATION AND MEDIATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO SUE OR MEDIATE WITH US IN OREGON THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT OREGON LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

We may use the services of one or more franchise brokers or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you. We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us. You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise.

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