



## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

British Swim Centers Franchising, LLC a Florida limited liability company

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We offer a franchise to own and operate a swimming and water-survival instruction program that focuses on survival skills, stroke development, breathing techniques and skill coordination by offering private and group lessons for individuals of all ages and other related services and products under the British Swim School name and marks.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a British Swim School franchise ranges from \$46,900 to \$71,250. This includes \$30,000 to \$31,500 that must be paid to us or our affiliates.

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 payments to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. **Note, however, that no government 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 Rita Goldberg at British Swim Centers Franchising, LLC, 2084 North University Drive, Sunrise, Florida 33322 and (954) 747-7251.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on this 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 <a href="www.ftc.gov">www.ftc.gov</a> 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: April 25, 2014** 



## 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 FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in <u>Exhibit A</u> 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 ARBITRATION OR LITIGATION IN A JURISDICTION IN THE STATE IN WHICH OUR PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IS LOCATED (CURRENTLY, SUNRISE, FLORIDA). OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION OR LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE OR LITIGATE WITH US IN THE STATE IN WHICH OUR PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IS LOCATED (CURRENTLY, SUNRISE, FLORIDA) THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT FLORIDA 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. IF YOU ARE A BUSINESS ENTITY, YOUR OWNERS WILL HAVE TO GUARANTEE YOUR OBLIGATIONS AND BE BOUND BY THE PROVISIONS OF OUR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT. THE SPOUSE OF EACH OWNER MAY ALSO BE REQUIRED TO CONSENT TO THE GUARANTY, WHICH PLACES THE SPOUSE'S MARITAL ASSETS AT RISK.
- 4. WE ARE A NEWLY FORMED COMPANY WITH LIMITED OPERATING HISTORY TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING THIS INVESTMENT.
- 5. WE HAVE LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES WHICH MIGHT NOT BE ADEQUATE TO FUND OUR PRE-OPENING OBLIGATIONS AND PAY OUR OPERATING EXPENSES.
  - 6. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

We 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.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.



## BRITISH SWIM CENTERS FRANCHISING, LLC

## STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the disclosure document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

This disclosure document is registered, on file or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates:

Illinois	April 28, 2014
Indiana	April 28, 2014
Maryland	May 15, 2014
Michigan	April 28, 2014
New York	May 27, 2014
Virginia	June 10, 2014
Washington	
Wisconsin	April 25, 2014

In all other states that do not require registration, the effective date of this disclosure document is the issuance date of April 25, 2014.

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