

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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We offer an area representative franchise opportunity to solicit prospective franchisees and support existing franchisees of the "Eat the Frog Fitness" or "ETF Fitness" franchise system.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a new area representative franchise ranges from \$106,500 to \$132,500. This includes \$97,500 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliates. The preceding numbers assume that the development quota under your area representative agreement is 10 "ETF Fitness" studios, which is our current minimum, but your initial fee will be an amount equal to \$9,750 multiplied by the number of studios in your development quota. Therefore, your estimated initial investment, and the amount payable to us or our affiliates, will increase by \$9,750 for each additional studio you agree to develop.

This Disclosure Document summarizes certain provisions of your area representative 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 sale of the area representative 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 Aaron Culver at ETF Franchising, LLC, 1567 Highlands DR NE, Suite 110, PMB 185, Issaquah WA 98029 and (425) 507-9061.

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 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 29, 2018



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 AREA REPRESENTATIVE 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 AREA REPRESENTATIVE 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 AREA REPRESENTATIVE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION IN OUR PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS (CURRENTLY, ISSAQUAH, WASHINGTON) OR BY LITIGATION IN STATE OR FEDERAL COURT WITHIN 50 MILES OF OUR THEN-CURRENT PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS (CURRENTLY, ISSAQUAH, WASHINGTON). 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 THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.
- 2. THE AREA REPRESENTATIVE AGREEMENT STATES THAT WASHINGTON 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. YOUR SPOUSE MAY BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A DOCUMENT THAT MAKES YOUR SPOUSE LIABLE FOR ALL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT EVEN THOUGH YOUR SPOUSE HAS NO OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN THE FRANCHISE. THIS GUARANTEE WILL PLACE BOTH YOUR AND YOUR SPOUSE'S MARITAL AND PERSONAL ASSETS, PERHAPS INCLUDING YOUR HOUSE, AT RISK IF YOUR FRANCHISE FAILS.
- 4. THE FRANCHISOR IS AT AN EARLY STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT AND HAS A LIMITED OPERATING HISTORY. THIS FRANCHISE IS LIKELY TO BE A RISKIER INVESTMENT THAN A FRANCHISE IN A SYSTEM WITH A LONGER OPERATING HISTORY.
- 5. THE FRANCHISOR HAS LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES WHICH MIGHT NOT BE ADEQUATE TO FUND ITS PRE-OPENING OBLIGATIONS TO EACH FRANCHISEE AND PAY OPERATING EXPENSES.
 - 6. 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.

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



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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:

California:	
Illinois:	March 30, 2018
Indiana:	March 29, 2018
Maryland:	
Michigan:	
Minnesota:	
New York:	
Rhode Island:	
Virginia:	
Washington:	
Wisconsin	March 29 2018

In all other states that do not require registration, the effective date of this disclosure document is the issuance date of March 29, 2018.

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