



## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

**Lawn Doctor, Inc.**  
a New Jersey corporation  
**142 State Route 34**  
**Holmdel, New Jersey 07733-2092**  
**(732) 946-4300**  
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**www.lawndocor.com**

The franchise offered is for the right to operate a business to establish, care for, and maintain lawns and other vegetation.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Lawn Doctor Business franchise is \$81,548 to \$99,998 (and may be lower for additional franchises purchased by existing strategic-partners). This includes between \$71,450 and \$89,500 that must be paid to LDI.

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 Jason Barclay at 142 State Route 34, Holmdel, New Jersey 07733-2092, (732) 946-4300.

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](http://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.

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## 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 H 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 SUE US ONLY IN NEW JERSEY AND ARBITRATE WITH US AT A LOCATION WITHIN 10 MILES OF OUR PRINCIPAL OFFICE. 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 OUTSIDE YOUR OWN STATE.

2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES THAT NEW JERSEY LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTION AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.

3. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT CONTAINS PROVISIONS THAT LIMIT YOUR RIGHTS AND MAY NOT BE ENFORCEABLE IN SOME STATES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A TIME LIMIT TO RAISE CLAIMS AGAINST US, A LIMITATION OF DAMAGES, AND A WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.

4. 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.

The effective dates of this Franchise Disclosure Document in the states with franchise registration laws in which we have sought registration appear on the following page.

## **LAWN DOCTOR, INC. STATE REGISTRATIONS**

The following states require that the Franchise 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 Franchise 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	June 17, 2015
Illinois	June 8, 2015
Indiana	April 6, 2015
Michigan	April 2, 2015
Maryland	April 21, 2015
Minnesota	April 13, 2015
New York	July 2, 2015
North Dakota	April 13, 2015
Rhode Island	April 3, 2015
South Dakota	April 6, 2015
Virginia	April 6, 2015
Washington	April 12, 2015
Wisconsin	April 3, 2015

In all other states without franchise registration laws, the effective date of this Franchise Disclosure Document is the issuance date of April 2, 2015.

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