

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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Pizza Guys Franchises, Inc. franchises others to offer and sell a limited menu of foods, beverages and other merchandise for consumption off premises from takeout and delivery only pizza stores identified by the "Pizza Guys" trade name and service mark which are decorated and equipped according to our specifications, and are operated according to our policies and procedures, all of which we have developed and will continue to develop (referred to as the "franchise" or the "franchise system" as the context requires).

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Pizza Guys franchise is \$78,300 to \$262,500 with the Store Equipment and Furnishings purchased, or \$68,300 to \$197,500 with the Store Equipment and Furnishings leased. This includes \$25,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or affiliate. The total investment necessary to begin the operation under a multi-Unit Development Agreement, assuming the purchase of 3 to 5 locations, is \$108,300 to \$322,500 with the Store Equipment and Furnishings purchased, or \$98,300 to \$257,500 with the Store Equipment and Furnishings leased. This includes \$55,000 to \$85,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or affiliate. There is no minimum number of Pizza Guys franchises that you are required to develop under a multi-Unit Development Agreement.

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 the Pizza Guys Corporate Offices at 2731 Citrus Road, Ste. A-1, Rancho Cordova, California 95742 and (916) 852-2222.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Do not 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 ("FTC"). You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 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.

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## **How to Use This Franchise Disclosure Document**

Here are some questions you may be asking about buying a franchise and tips on how to find more information:

QUESTION	WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION
How much can I earn?	Item 19 may give you information
	about outlet sales, costs, profits or
	losses. You should also try to obtain
	this information from others, like
	current and former franchises. You can
	find their names and contact
	information in Item 20.
How much will I need to invest?	Items 5 and 6 list fees you will be
	paying to the franchisor or at the
	franchisor's direction. Item 7 lists the
	initial investment to open. Item 8
	describes the suppliers you must use.
Does the franchisor have the financial	Item 21 or Exhibit 3 includes financial
ability to provide support to my business?	statements. Review these statements
	carefully.
Is the franchise system stable, growing, or	Item 20 summarizes the recent history
shrinking?	of the number of company-owned and
	franchised outlets.
Will my business be the only Pizza Guys	Item 12 and the "territory" provisions
business in my area?	in the franchise agreement describe
	whether the franchisor and other
	franchisees can compete with you.
Does the franchisor have a troubled legal	Items 3 and 4 tell you whether the
history?	franchisor or its management have been
	involved in material litigation or
	bankruptcy proceedings.
What's it like to be a Pizza Guys	Item 20 lists current and former
franchisee?	franchisees. You can contact them to
	ask about their experiences.
What else should I know?	These questions are only a few things
	you should look for. Review all 23
	Items and all Exhibits in this disclosure
	document to better understand this
	franchise opportunity. See the table of
	contents.



## What You Need To Know About Franchising Generally

<u>Continuing responsibility to pay fees</u>. You may have to pay royalties and other fees even if you are losing money.

**Business model can change**. The franchise agreement may allow the franchisor to change its manuals and business model without your consent. These changes may require you to make additional investments in your franchise business or may harm your franchise business.

<u>Supplier restrictions</u>. You may have to buy or lease items from the franchisor or a limited group of suppliers the franchisor designates. These items may be more expensive than similar items you could buy on your own.

<u>Operating restrictions</u>. The franchise agreement may prohibit you from operating a similar business during the term of the franchise. There are usually other restrictions. Some examples may include controlling your location, your access to customers, what you sell, how you market, and your hours of operation.

<u>Competition from franchisor</u>. Even if the franchise agreement grants you a territory, the franchisor may have the right to compete with you in your territory.

**Renewal**. Your franchise agreement may not permit you to renew. Even if it does, you may have to sign a new agreement with different terms and conditions in order to continue to operate your franchise business.

<u>When your franchise ends</u>. The franchise agreement may prohibit you from operating a similar business after your franchise ends even if you still have obligations to your landlord or other creditors.

## **Some States Require Registration**

Your state may have a franchise law, or other law, that requires franchisors to register before offering or selling franchises in the state. Registration does not mean that the state recommends the franchise or has verified the information in this document. To find out if your state has a registration requirement, or to contact your state, use the agency information in Exhibit 4.

Your state also may have laws that require special disclosures or amendments be made to your franchise agreement. If so, you should check the State Specific Addenda. See the Table of Contents for the location of the State Specific Addenda.

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