

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT Playa Bowls Franchisor LLC A New Jersey limited liability company 804 Ocean Avenue, Suite 2 Belmar, New Jersey 07719 Tel: (732)257-8604 www.playabowls.com email: franchising@playabowls.com



The franchise offered is for a quick serve "Playa Bowls" restaurant offering acai bowls, pitaya bowls, coconut bowls, chia pudding bowls, oatmeal bowls, smoothies, juices, and other healthy food options. A Playa Bowls restaurant operates using the franchisor's proprietary recipes, formulae, techniques, trade dress, trademarks and logos.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Playa Bowls franchised business is \$136,650 to \$360,300. This includes \$35,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate(s).

If you enter into a Multi-Unit Development Agreement to develop at least eight Restaurants, when you sign the Multi-Unit Development Agreement you will pay a development fee equal to 100% of the initial franchise fee for the first Restaurant to be developed, plus 50% of the initial franchise fee for each additional Restaurant to be developed under the Multi-Unit Development Agreement. The total estimated investment under a Multi-Unit Development Agreement for a minimum of eight Playa Bowls Restaurants, including the costs to build and equip the first Playa Bowls Restaurant is \$261,150 to \$485,300. This includes \$157,500 that must be paid to the franchisor and/or its affiliates. The total investment under a Multi-Unit Development Agreement will vary depending on the number of Restaurants to be developed.

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 the disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with or make any payment to the franchisor or its affiliates 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 Gary Moss at 804 Ocean Avenue, Suite 2, Belmar, New Jersey, 07719, and (732)257-8604.

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, DC, 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.

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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 I 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 AND MULTI-UNIT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REQUIRE YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION AND LITIGATION ONLY IN NEW JERSEY. OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION AND LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE AND LITIGATE WITH US IN NEW JERSEY THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND MULTI-UNIT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT STATE THAT NEW JERSEY LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENTS, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. THE FRANCHISOR'S FINANCIAL CONDITION, AS REFLECTED IN ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (SEE ITEM 21), CALLS INTO QUESTION THE FRANCHISOR'S FINANCIAL ABILITY TO PROVIDE SERVICES AND SUPPORT TO YOU.
- 4. THE FRANCHISOR IS AT AN EARLY STATE 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 PRIMARY TRADEMARK THAT YOU WILL USE IN YOUR BUSINESS IS NOT FEDERALLY REGISTERED. IF THE FRANCHISOR'S RIGHT TO USE THIS TRADEMARK IN YOUR AREA IS CHALLENGED, YOU MAY HAVE TO IDENTIFY YOUR BUSINESS AND ITS PRODUCTS OR SERVICES WITH A NAME THAT DIFFERS FROM THAT USED BY OTHER FRANCHISEES OR THE FRANCHISOR. THIS CHANGE CAN BE EXPENSE AND MAY REDUCE BRAND RECOGNITION OF THE PRODUCTS OR SERVICES YOU OFFER..
- 6. YOUR SPOUSE MUST 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

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