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FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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You will offer individualized weight management programs, goods and services from a retail location

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a PROFILE SANFORD® franchise is approximately from \$259,200 to \$463,500 for a single unit This includes approximately \$130,000 to \$173,000 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 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**

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 to 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

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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 D 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

- I THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY MEDIATION THEN ARBITRATION (AND IN CERTAIN CASES LITIGATION) ONLY IN THE CITY OF OUR THEN-CURRENT PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION OR LITIGATION MAY ENCOURAGE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE OR LITIGATE WITH US IN OUR HEADQUARTERS CITY THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE
- 2 THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT SOUTH DAKOTA 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 THE FRANCHISOR HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, SINCE DECEMBER 9th, 2013 THEREFORE, THERE IS ONLY A BRIEF OPERATING HISTORY TO ASSIST YOU IN JUDGING WHETHER OR NOT TO MAKE THIS INVESTMENT
- 4 WE HAVE LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES WHICH MIGHT NOT BE ADEQUATE TO FUND OUR PRE-OPENING OBLIGATIONS TO EACH FRANCHISEE AND PAY OPERATING EXPENSES
- 5 THE FRANCHISEE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE AN ESTIMATED INITIAL INVESTMENT RANGING FROM \$259,200 to \$463,500 THIS AMOUNT EXCEEDS THE FRANCHISOR'S STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013, WHICH IS \$150,000
- 6 THE FRANCHISOR HAS MINIMUM SALES PERFORMANCE STANDARDS THAT YOU MUST MAINTAIN IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO YOU COULD LOSE YOUR EXCLUSIVE TERRITORY OR THE FRANCHISOR COULD TERMINATE YOUR AGREEMENT AND YOU COULD LOSE YOUR INVESTMENT YOU MAY WANT



TO CONSIDER THIS WHEN MAKING A DECISION TO PURCHASE THIS FRANCHISE OPPORTUNITY

- 7 THE FRANCHISOR MAY RECOMMEND YOUR PRICES TO YOUR CUSTOMERS, SET MINIMUM RESALE PRICES, MAXIMUM RESALE PRICES AND OTHER RESALE PRICES, AND DETERMINE PRICING STRATEGY OF MULTI-AREA MARKETING PROGRAMS, EACH TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW
- 8 THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE

Certain state laws may supersede these provisions See State Addenda in Exhibit E for a summary of some of these laws

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 for selling our franchise or referring you to us You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise This is a document preview downloaded from FranchisePanda.com. The full document is available for free by visiting: https://franchisepanda.com/franchises/profile-sanford