

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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The franchise is for the right to develop, own and operate either an ice cream parlour or a restaurant that, in either case, specializes in the sale of proprietary ice cream, ice cream novelties, frozen confections, milkshakes, specialty drinks and related products under the "Swensen's®" and the "Swensen's Ice Cream<sup>®</sup>" name and marks.

We have two main business formats: (i) Swensen's Grill & Ice Cream Restaurants, and (ii) Swensen's Ice Cream Parlour. The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Swensen's Grill & Ice Cream Restaurant is \$371,430 to \$993,120. This includes \$35,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate. The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Swensen's Ice Cream Parlour is \$222,990 to \$517,035. This includes \$25,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate.

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 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 Sarah Kulbatski at 210 Shields Court, Markham, Ontario, Canada L3R 8V2 and (905) 479-8762.

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: December 17, 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 DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit A 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. FRANCHISEES MUST ALSO SIGN A PERSONAL GUARANTY, MAKING YOUR SPOUSE INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE FOR YOUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT IF YOU ARE MARRIED. THE GUARANTY WILL PLACE YOUR AND YOUR SPOUSE'S MARITAL AND PERSONAL ASSETS AT RISK IF YOUR FRANCHISE FAILS.
- 2. WE ARE UNDERCAPITALIZED AND MAY NOT BE ABLE TO MEET OUR PRE-OPENING OBLIGATIONS TO ALL FRANCHISEES.
  - 3. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

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

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