

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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The Entrepreneur's Source ("<u>TES</u>") businesses provide coaching, placement and franchising services to individuals, businesses, franchise prospects and franchisors ("<u>TES Business(es)</u>").

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a TES Business ranges from \$74,250 to \$103,000. This includes at least \$60,250 to \$65,250 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliates. TES franchisees may also purchase the right to develop multiple TES Businesses. The total investment necessary to begin operation of an TES multi-franchise business operating two (2) TES Businesses ranges from \$133,500 to \$191,000, including \$105,500 to \$115,500 which must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliates. The total investment necessary to begin operation of an TES multi-franchise business operating five (5) TES Businesses ranges from \$271,250 to \$415,000, including \$140,250 to \$145,250 which must be paid to the franchisor or its 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 a 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 Jessica Pettit at 900 Main Street South, Suite 200, Building 2, Southbury, CT 06488, (203) 405-2120.

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 <u>Exhibit D</u> 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 RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION/LITIGATION ONLY IN CONNECTICUT. OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION/LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE/LITIGATE WITH US IN CONNECTICUT THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT CONNECTICUT 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. YOUR FRANCHISE BUSINESS HAS NO TERRITORIAL PROTECTION, AND WE AND OUR AFFILIATES HAVE THE RIGHT WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS TO ENGAGE IN ANY AND ALL ACTIVITIES WE AND THEY DESIRE, IN COMPETITION WITH YOUR FRANCHISE.
- 5. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES THAT THE FRANCHISEE'S SPOUSE MUST SIGN A GUARANTY MAKING SUCH SPOUSE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE FOR THE OBLIGATION UNDER THE AGREEMENT PLACING PERSONAL AND MARITAL ASSETS AT RISK.
- 6. YOU MUST MAKE MINIMUM ADVERTISING OR OTHER PAYMENTS REGARDLESS OF YOUR SALES LEVELS. YOUR INABILITY TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF YOUR FRANCHISE AND LOSS OF YOUR INVESTMENT.
- THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.



We use the services of one or more FRANCHISE COACHING or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise coach or referral source is <u>our</u> agent and 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.

Effective Dates: See next page for state effective dates.

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