

**DOG BROTHERS INC. MARTIAL ARTS (DBIMA)
FIGHTERS FORM**

Dog Brothers Gathering of the Pack

August 2012

Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Address _____

Phone _____

e-mail _____

Teacher(s), style(s), years in training _____

Medical Approval and Waiver

The Dog Brothers Inc. (Marc Denny, Benjamin Rittiner) strongly recommend that you consult your doctor and get medical screening (especially an electrocardiogram) before beginning any training with the Dog Brothers or participate in any fighting event. It is fast, easy and inexpensive!

Stickfighting and Martial Arts are dangerous and serious injuries can and will happen. If you have a pre-existing medical condition (e.g. heart condition), small injuries or the simple participation in the sport may already lead to death.

You are fully and solely responsible for your own health. By signing this form, you confirm that:

- You have been sufficiently informed on the potential danger of training, sparing or fighting with the Dog Brothers and friends and/or Dog Brothers Martial Arts/DBI;
- You are healthy to train, spar and fight with the Dog Brothers and friends and/or Dog Brothers Martial Arts/DBI and you have no pre-existing medical conditions that potentially may conflict with the sport (e.g. heart condition);
- You agree to release Dog Brothers Inc. the organizer of this Gathering, your trainer(s), training partner(s) as well as the "opponent(s)" in a Gathering fight from any and all responsibilities or liabilities for your injury, permanent disability or death arising from your participation in training or fighting with the Dog Brothers.
- "No judges, no referees, no trophies. One rule only, be friends at the end of the day. This means our goal is that no one spends the night in the hospital. Our goal is that everyone leaves with the IQ with which they came. However, only you are responsible for you so no suing no one for no reason for nothing no how no way. Protect yourself at all times."

Other Assignment of Right

Free of charge, the signee assigns the copyright, the rights on his picture, video etc. to DBIMA for the sole purpose of DBIMA using his fight or training in their training and commercial videos and photographs.

DBIMA shall keep your personal data submitted in this Fighters Form confidential.

I, (name) _____ agree to these terms and conditions.

Place, Date: _____ Signature: _____

The Magic Words

"No judges, no referees, no trophies. One rule only: **Be friends at the end of the day!**
This means our goal is that no one spends the night in the hospital. Our goal is that everyone leaves with the IQ with which they came. Real Contact Stickfighting is Dangerous, **you alone are responsible for you, so protect yourself at all times.**

If you cannot do it in this spirit, you should just watch. No suing no one for no reason for nothing no how no way!

Some Words about the Fighters Code

While we are proud of our safety record, due in great part to the respect shown by you the fighters to "the code" of "Be friends at the end of the day", there are a few things to which we would like to draw your attention: Especially if this is your first time fighting at a "Gathering of the Pack". We suggest that you come with someone who can drive you home in case you don't feel up to it, that your medical insurance be paid up, and that you be in good physical health and condition.

One of the values implied in the "No judges, no referees, no trophies" is one of neutrality in terms of styles and personalities - in other words, no bragging. To fight this way we must depend on the fighters themselves must pull shots that would put people in the hospital or reduce their IQ. In the maelstrom of a Real Contact Stickfight, this is an amazing thing. And this amazing thing will be harder to do if one thinks that to not put someone away might mean that later they would be barking.

In a similar vein, when going for a lock, avoid reckless efforts that will damage your opponent's joint. Be particularly aware of this with locks such as the one known as the "heel hock". This is a very dangerous lock because BY THE TIME PAIN IS FELT, DAMAGE IS ALREADY DONE. Those experienced in leg locks in general and these locks in particular should know that many people lack experience with these locks and lack understanding of the need to tap BEFORE pain. Our "Gatherings of the Pack" are not pit fights, the spirit is tribal and of not damaging other members of the tribe. By all means go for these locks, but if you have such a hold you should tell your opponent the stickfighting equivalent of a chessplayer saying "check"! In shootfighting they say "catch"! meaning they have caught hold of the limb, will be applying the lock and you are on notice to yield or get hurt. Anything else of similar effect will do: "Yield"! or "I've got it"! or "You should tap"! Instant release upon submission is vital.

You have our respect, as all other fighters should have yours. We wish you a day to remember. We wish you a day of growth. "Higher Consciousness through Harder Contact".

"The Council of Elders"