

# StratosFur 2024

## Parental Consent Form for Minors

Dear Parent or Guardian (herein “Parent” or “Guardian”): Please provide the information below so that we may evaluate whether your Minor child (herein “Minor”) may attend StratosFur 2024; A Sci-Fi/Fantasy Convention.

### PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION AND CONTACTS:

MINOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration ID# \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE/CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent may designate and authorize an alternate adult who may be a spouse or an unrelated person over age 21 to act as Guardian or alternate contact in case Parent is not reachable at above contacts:

Alternate Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE/CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATION: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent hereby grants permission for the above-named Minor to attend as a guest at StratosFur 2024, held at the Houston Marriott Westchase for the duration of the event between May 31st – June 2nd, 2024.

Please read second page of the Agreement before signing the first page of the Agreement.

PARENT/GUARDIAN understands and agrees to the information on Second Page on behalf of Parent and Minor and must sign and date this Agreement. We will only need the first page of the Agreement given to us for the Minor to receive their badge at StratosFur 2024.

**Understood and agreed:** On behalf of myself and my Minor child I hereby certify that I am the Parent or legal Guardian of the Minor named above and that I understand and agree to all the provisions above as a condition of my Minor child registering and attending StratosFur 2024 and/or activities offered during this event:

**Parent signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. **Eligible Minor**

A Minor is defined as a person under the age of eighteen (18), as of the first full day of the convention, May 31, 2024. All Minors must have their Parent complete this Agreement and have Minor present this letter with Guardian at the time they pick up their registration. All Minors without parental consent will be refused admittance. Minors that are seventeen (17) years of age are required to have a Parent or Guardian onsite at all times. Minors that are sixteen (16) years of age or younger must be accompanied full time by a Parent or Guardian.

2. **StratosFur 2024 is NOT supervised.**

While we have security staff to assist anyone during the convention, the public areas of the Houston Marriott Westchase are unsupervised. StratosFur does not position or market its services to Minors, we simply provide attendance. No special provisions or amenities or supervision for Minor participants are provided.

3. **StratosFur Does Not Act *in loco parentis***

Board of Opportunity and Outreach for Panspeciesm (B.O.O.P.) and StratosFur does not and will not act *in loco parentis* (“in the place of a parent”) with respect to a Minor while on convention premises or during StratosFur 2024. This means that Parent is entirely responsible for the care of the Minor at all times, even if Parent decides not to accompany or remain with Minor during StratosFur 2024. StratosFur’s duty of care for a Minor participant shall be no greater than for an adult participant.

4. **Parent or Guardian Accompanying Minor**

Parent or Guardian may allow Minors seventeen (17) years of age to attend unaccompanied to StratosFur 2024; however, Parent or Guardian must remain onsite at the hotel. StratosFur requires Minors sixteen (16) years of age or younger to be accompanied by Parent or Guardian during StratosFur 2024. The Parent or Guardian must register with the Minor at the time the Minor picks up their badge. Please arrive at least 1 hour early.

5. **Parent Responsible for Conduct, Care, Supervision and Safety of Minor**

Parent is solely responsible for the conduct, behavior, care, supervision and safety of Minors while the Minor is on hotel premises or in StratosFur 2024 whether or not Parent or Guardian accompanies Minor. StratosFur 2024 may have live computer equipment equipped with unrestricted access to the Internet. Parent is solely responsible for Minor's use of the Internet during StratosFur 2024.

6. **Right of Dismissal**

StratosFur reserves the right to dismiss a participant from any StratosFur 2024 event if the participant in StratosFur’s sole judgment acts inappropriately or disruptively. In case of such dismissal, StratosFur will have no obligation towards the refunding of any fees paid by participant or participant's Guardian in respect of the convention and StratosFur shall not be responsible for any consequential loss or inconvenience arising whatsoever.

In the case of dismissal of a Participant who is a Minor unaccompanied by a Parent, StratosFur, as a courtesy, will make all reasonable efforts to contact the Parent and Guardian/alternate adult at the contact numbers supplied by Parent, and notify of the dismissal of the Minor.

7. **Release**

I, on behalf of myself, my child, our heirs, executors, administrators, successor and assigns, hereby release and discharge StratosFur, its officers, directors, agents, and employees with respect to all activities associated with, or any damages arising out of StratosFur 2024 and from any cause of action of any nature whatsoever arising from my child’s participation in StratosFur 2024.

**Please keep this page for your records.**