

# WAIVER FORM

## Border Incident II

### Seminars 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2011

**Please present completed form to organisers prior to seminar commencement**

#### **Hazards:**

As a Participant to the Border Incident II seminar/training event, I understand that I join a group of individuals that may have varying degrees of experience in other movement arts. I also understand that combat arts like *Ving Tsun* are inherently dangerous, encompass principles associated with armed and unarmed movements and involve forceful physical contact with other participants, immovable structures and surfaces. Injuries associated with this type of training are rare but can be widely categorized and may include serious harm or even death.

#### **Safety and Communication:**

I am aware that every measure is taken to ensure the safety of participants through each stage of training at this seminar. Since most injuries are a result of negligence, oversight, or misunderstanding on the part of the practitioner, as a participant in this Martial Arts training event, I hereby agree to listen carefully to all instructions given during each session as well as communicate openly with practise partners and the instructors with regard to pain and discomfort. Though the instructors will make every effort to facilitate my understanding and enjoyment of the Art, as a participant I am ultimately responsible for my own training and personal safety. I agree to make the effort to adhere to these guidelines, and understand that failure to comply with the above guidelines may result in my exclusion from the training and/or removal from the seminar premises.

#### **Digital recording:**

I understand that I my image may be recorded during this seminar and agree that all rights to record the event are reserved by the event organisers. I waive all claims related to the capturing of their likeness in seminar footage and agree not to make any type of recording of the event. I understand that failure to comply with this policy may result in my removal from the seminar premises.

#### **Pledge of Conduct:**

I understand that my participation in this event is conditional upon my conducting myself in the required manner. I give an undertaking to:

- Conduct myself in a respectful and ethical manner
- Treat all seminar instructors, participants, spectators and officials with respect
- Follow instructions regarding safe training practises
- Follow training safety recommendations expressed or implied by the seminar instructors and training partners
- Assure that I have a clear understanding of all training exercises before I attempt to perform them
- Abstain from violent, aggressive or disrespectful behaviour towards seminar instructors, participants, spectators or officials

I understand that failure to adhere to the above standards may result in my exclusion from the practise and removal from the seminar premises.

**Liability Disclaimer:**

I, a participant to the Border Incident II training event (practise/seminar/outdoor training session/etc.), which is administered at the University of Melbourne or any other location (including but not limited to Ving Tsun Combat Science training premises) voluntarily undertake at my sole request to participate in the activities of Border Incident II training event which involves hand to hand combat based on physical activities that may involve an opponent using; strikes, kicks, submission holds, joint locks, a training weapon, weight and strength against me. I do hereby agree, as a condition of being considered for such activity that the seminar instructors, organizers, participants, host facility employees, officials, owners and members shall be free from any and all liability and claims for damages and/or suits in the event of any death or injury from any cause or causes whatsoever which I may suffer during engagement in Ving Tsun Kung Fu activities or travelling to or from a Border Incident II training event. In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, the Ving Tsun Kung Fu seminar and related events and activities I hereby:

- Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact martial art that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to my own actions, inactions or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the practices of Ving Tsun Kung Fu, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
- Knowing the risks involved in Ving Tsun Kung Fu, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
- Agree that, prior to participating, I will inspect the seminar area, room, floor, mats, equipment, fixtures, facilities, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise an event official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
- Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the participants instructors, participants, officials, hosting facility, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the seminar, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, and applicable owners, lessors, lessees, of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are herein after referred to as "Releases", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death or damage of property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releases or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**AGREED AND ACCEPTED IN FORM AND IN SUBSTANCE**

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

**Print Participant's Name** **Participant's Signature**

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

**Print Parent Name** **Parent's Signature**  
**(Required for those under the age of 18)**

**I have read the above warning, waiver, and release, understand that I give up substantial rights by signing it, and knowing this, sign it voluntarily. I agree to participate knowing the risks and conditions involved and do so entirely of my own free will. I affirm that I am at least 18 years of age.**