



ATLANTO-AXIAL INSTABILITY (AAI) SPECIAL RELEASE FORM

(SPECIAL RELEASE CONCERNING SPINAL CORD COMPRESSION AND ATLANTO-AXIAL INSTABILITY)

Instructions: Only complete this form if symptoms of spinal cord compression or Atlanto-axial instability were found in a pre-participation examination and a doctor then provided clearance for participation following a neurological evaluation.

I agree to the following:

1. **Spinal Cord Compression Symptoms.** In a pre-participation examination, a licensed medical professional found symptoms that might be the result of spinal cord compression or Atlanto-axial instability.
2. **Neurological Evaluation.** After a neurological evaluation, a qualified doctor concluded that:
 - The cause of the symptoms will not result in additional risk of neurological injury due to participation in sports, and
 - Participation in Special Olympics activities is safe without restrictions or with restrictions that will be shared with Special Olympics and followed.
3. **Liability Release.** I acknowledge that I have been informed of the findings and determinations of the physician. I release and hold harmless Special Olympics from all claims in connection with possible spinal cord compression or Atlanto-axial instability. For this form, "Special Olympics" means all Special Olympics organizations.

Athlete Name:	E-mail:
ATHLETE SIGNATURE (required for adult athlete with capacity to sign legal documents)	
I have read and understand this form. If I have questions, I will ask. By signing, I agree to this form.	
Athlete Signature:	Date:
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (required for athlete who is a minor or lacks capacity to sign legal documents)	
I am a parent or guardian of the athlete. I have read and understand this form and have explained the contents to the athlete as appropriate. By signing, I agree to this form on my own behalf and on behalf of the athlete. This release shall be binding upon me, the athlete and our respective heirs and legal representatives.	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Printed Name:	Relationship: