



**Portland Raiders Minor League Football Team**

**2010 PLAYER APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

What position(s) you are trying out for? \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Please list applicable experience (Year/Position/Team):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

I have my own helmet and pads: \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

I would like a fitness membership \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

I am applying for a sponsorship(see last page) \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Special requests, notes:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FEE \$20**

**Please read and keep last page of this application for important dates and information.**

**Office use ONLY:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Pages initialed, signature on final page      Assigned Coach \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Application fee received (\$20)

\_\_\_\_\_ Email and Phone number legible

Sponsor Packet \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**PORTLAND RAIDERS LLC**  
**PLAYER CONTRACT, RELEASE, AND WAIVER**

This **PLAYER CONTRACT, RELEASE, AND WAIVER** (hereinafter "Contract"), is between \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter "Player") and the Portland Raiders LLC (hereinafter "Team"), operating and doing business as an affiliate of the North American Football League (hereinafter "NAFL") for the 2010-year, as evidenced by the signature of the parties below.

WHEREAS, NAFL is a legal entity consisting of teams, which are governed and bound by a set of league rules, applicable to each and every team;

WHEREAS, said league rules prohibit Team from providing monetary compensation to any and all of Team's players;

WHEREAS, Player understands and agrees that although he will not receive financial consideration from Team, Player will receive the opportunity to earn a place upon the Team's roster, and thereby be entitled to all benefits associated with Team's affiliation with the NAFL, including but not limited to, the opportunity to showcase his football talent, gain further coaching and game experience, obtain publicity, and to compete for a national football championship, subject to the terms of this Contract; furthermore, Player recognizes and agrees that the opportunity to play football for Team are in and of themselves good and valuable consideration. It is expressly understood that this is not a contract for recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, Player desires to establish a relationship with Team, and Team desires to establish a relationship with Player, each subject to the rights and restrictions set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises of the Parties made by each to the other, Player and Team agree as follows:

1. **TERM.** This Contract is for one NAFL football season and will begin on the date executed and end on December 31 of the same year. This Contract is not continuous with any other previous NAFL and/or Team contract.

2. **SCOPE.** Team retains Player as a skilled football player and person possessing other unique talents. Player accepts and agrees to such a relationship with Team. Player further agrees to give his best efforts and loyalty to the Team and to conduct himself on and off the field with appropriate recognition of the fact that the success of minor league football depends largely on public respect for and approval of those associated with the game. Player will report promptly for and participate fully in Team's official pre-season training camps, all Team meetings and practice sessions, and all pre-season, regular season, and post-season football games scheduled for or by the Team. If invited, Player will practice for and play in any and all all-state football games sponsored by the NAFL at his own expense. Player will not participate in any football games, of any type whatsoever, not sponsored by the NAFL unless the NAFL first approves the game. This Contract is non-transferable to any other person or team. Approval by Team

management and the NAFL Commissioner shall be necessary to effect any and all transfers of Player to any other NAFL team.

3. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK.** Player understands and agrees that there are risks of injury which could result in temporary and/or permanent, partial and/or complete disability, or even death associated with his participation in the NAFL and/or the Team. These risks include those risks ordinarily associated with the game of football. Player voluntarily, knowingly, and expressly assumes all risks that may result from his participation in the NAFL and/or the Team, including but not limited to all inherent risks.

4. **RELEASE AND WAIVER.** Player and his heirs, personal representatives, next of kin, executors, administrators, successors, assigns, and/or any person or entity claiming through him or on his behalf, hereby knowingly and voluntarily forever discharges, waives, releases, and covenants not to sue the NAFL, the NAFL's operating members, the Team, and any and all of the aforementioned entities' associated or affiliated companies, teams, parent companies, holding companies, subsidiaries, employees and/or volunteers, owners, agents, officers, directors, members, managers, shareholders, attorneys, contractors, successors, and/or assigns, as well as the field facilities where the NAFL's teams play their games or practice (collectively "Released Parties"), from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, losses, costs, expenses, or damages of any nature whatsoever that Player may now or hereafter be entitled to assert including, but not limited to, any death, injury, loss of enjoyment or other harm or loss of any nature whatsoever caused by or contributed to, or arising directly or indirectly out of, or in connection with Player's participation in the NAFL and/or Team, including travel.

This Release and Waiver is given for and in consideration of the opportunity of the Player to participate in an NAFL tryout and/or season with Team, and for such other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged. This Release and Waiver includes, but is not limited to, claims based upon negligence. Player understands that by signing this Release and Waiver, he is giving up certain legal rights that he might otherwise have if he did not sign this Release and Waiver, including the right to recover damages from the Releasing Parties in the event of injury to him or his death, or damage to or loss of his property. Player agrees that his execution of this Release and Waiver is binding upon Player, and that Released Parties shall not be liable for any injury to him or his death, or damage to or loss of his property. Player agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Released Parties for any and all injuries, including death, and damage or loss of Player's property related to Player's participation in the NAFL and/or the Team, including travel.

5. **PHYSICAL CONDITION.** Player represents to Team that he is and will maintain himself in excellent physical condition and it is able to successfully and actively participate in the full-contact sport of football. Player will undergo a complete physical examination by the Team physician upon Team's request, during which physical exam Player agrees to make full and complete disclosure of any physical or mental condition known to him which might impair his performance under this Contract and to respond fully and in good faith when questioned by the Team physician. Failure of Player to comply with this section may be cause for termination of this Contract by the Team or the NAFL.

6. **INSURANCE.** Supplemental injury insurance may be made available to Player by Team and/or the NAFL Players Association. Insurance is the responsibility of the Player.

7. **TERMINATION.** Team may terminate this Contract without cause. If, in the sole judgment of Team, Player's service will not be necessary for Team to field a top quality amateur football squad, Team may terminate Player's contract. Player understands that he is competing with other players for a position on the Team's roster. At any time and in the sole judgment of Team this Contract may be terminated if Team determines that Player's skill or performance has been unsatisfactory as compared with that of other players competing for roster positions.

8. **RULES.** Player shall comply with and be bound by all Team and NAFL rules, regulations, and policies in effect during the term of this Contract, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Contract.

9. **PUBLICITY.** Player grants the Team and the NAFL, separately and together, the authority to use his name, likeness, and/or picture for publicity and promotion of the NAFL, the Team, and any of the NAFL's other member teams in newspapers, magazines, motion pictures, game programs, roster manuals, media guides, broadcasts and telecasts, and all other publicity and advertising media or merchandise. At the direction of the Team or NAFL, Player, shall participate in promotional activities including personal appearances on behalf of the Team, NAFL, and the Team's or NAFL's corporate sponsors and suppliers. The NAFL and/or Team shall have discretion to select a reasonable time and place for such appearances, which may or may not be in uniform. Player will cooperate with the news media and will participate upon request in the promotional activities of the NAFL and Team.

10. **GRANT OF RIGHTS.** Player hereby irrevocably grants and assigns to the NAFL, Team and any NAFL or Team-designated entity during and beyond the term of this Contract the right to use his name, likeness, and/or picture in connection with the advertisement, promotion or sale of trading cards, or any other commercial product or entity, including but not limited to, the advertisement and promotion of official NAFL or Team corporate sponsors and/or official suppliers. Player hereby waives any and all claims to any revenue received by the NAFL, Team and/or their designated entities as a consequence of such use of Player's name, likeness and/or picture, during and beyond the term of this Contract.

11. **NAFL/TEAM EQUIPMENT.** Player agrees to wear and use only NAFL/Team approved apparel and equipment while performing football services under this Contract. Specifically, but without limitation, while performing those services, Player shall only wear footwear and uniforms (jersey and pants), socks, gloves, wristbands and any other items worn on the field and sidelines supplied by NAFL licensees, Team's suppliers, and/or approved by Team. Player shall not remove, cover, obscure or otherwise alter any logo that appears on footwear, apparel, equipment or other products provided to him by the NAFL and/or Team for use while performing football services under this Contract. Neither the NAFL nor Team shall be liable for any defects in or misuse of apparel or equipment supplied by the NAFL or Team. In said event, Player's sole recourse is with the manufacturer of the apparel or equipment.

12. **SIGNING WITH A PROFESSIONAL LEAGUE.** Team has the discretion to release Player from this Contract if he has an opportunity to sign with a recognized professional football league (namely, National Football League, Canadian Football League, Arena Football League, Arena Football 2, National Indoor Football League or NFL Europe). If Player leaves Team for participation (in any form, including but not limited to, coaching, playing, or managing) with a competing amateur football team in the NAFL or other amateur football

league, he will be in breach of this Contract unless he first obtains a written release from Team and the NAFL. The impact of Player's leaving Team to participate with a competing amateur football team will cause both Team and the NAFL significant damage in terms of Team chemistry, publicity, marketing, and in other respects that cannot be easily calculated. Therefore, Player agrees that in the event he breaches this Contract by accepting a position with a competing amateur football team, he will pay Team prior to his participation with the competing amateur football team the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to compensate Team for breach of this Contract.

13. **INTEGRITY.** Player recognizes the detriment to the Team, NAFL, and minor league football that would result from impairment of public confidence in the honest and orderly conduct of the NAFL games or the integrity and good character of the NAFL and Team players. Player therefore acknowledges his awareness that if he accepts a bribe or agrees to throw or fix any game; fails to promptly report a bribe offer or an attempt to throw or fix a game; bets on a game; knowingly associates with gamblers or gambling activity; uses or provides other players with stimulants or other drugs for the purpose of attempting to enhance on-field performance; knowingly associates with drug dealers or users; uses, possesses, sells, provides or distributes illegal drugs; or is guilty of any other form of conduct judged by the NAFL and Team to be detrimental to the NAFL or Team, the NAFL or Team have the right and discretion to fine Player in a reasonable amount; to suspend Player for a certain period or indefinitely; to terminate this Contract; and/or to otherwise discipline Player. Player agrees not to use any drugs or alcohol on or around any practice or playing facility of the NAFL or any NAFL team, or at any NAFL or any NAFL team event. Player acknowledges that any such use may be cause for termination of this Contract by the Team or the NAFL.

14. **DISPUTES WITH TEAM.** If Player has a dispute with Team, he shall bring it promptly to the attention of the NAFL Commissioner. In all such disputes, Player agrees that any decision of the NAFL Commissioner regarding such a dispute shall be final and binding upon Player. Player agrees that decisions of the NAFL Commissioner regarding such disputes shall not be subject to arbitration.

15. **SEVERABILITY.** The parties agree that each provision of this Contract is severable. If any provision is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected and the illegal or invalid provisions shall be deemed not to be a part of this Contract.

16. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Contract is made under and shall be governed by the laws of the state of Oregon. The sole and exclusive jurisdiction for all disputes arising out of this Contract shall be the courts of the State of Oregon.

17. **OTHER AGREEMENTS.** This Contract, including any attachments to it, set forth the entire agreement between Player and Team and cannot be modified, amended, or supplemented orally.

18. **PLAYER REPRESENTATIONS.** Player acknowledges and represents that as of the date hereof: (A) he is at least 18 years of age and of sound mind and not suffering from shock or the influence of alcohol, drugs, or intoxicants; (B) he has read and understood the Release and Waiver set forth in paragraph 4 above and knowingly, voluntarily, and expressly consents to its terms; and (C) the information he has provided herein is true and accurate. Player

understands there is a player fee that **MUST BE PAID IN FULL PRIOR** to participating in practice. Player further understands that if he does receive permission to change teams, he must turn in all equipment to Team and pay all monies due prior to being released by Team.

This Contract is executed in three (3) copies. Player acknowledges that before signing this Contract he was given an opportunity to seek advice from or be represented by persons of his own selection and that he has carefully read the foregoing Contract, Release, and Waiver, knows its contents, and signs the same of his own free act.

**PLAYER CONTACT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT):**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT (PLEASE PRINT):**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital Preference \_\_\_\_\_

List any medications or drugs you are currently taking and any illnesses you have, including allergies \_\_\_\_\_

**If immediate observation or treatment is urgent in the judgment of the authorities, do you authorize and direct the Portland Raiders LLC or the NAFL the authority to send you to the most accessible medical facility to render observation and treatment as needed?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Team Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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## **GEAR**

1. Deadline for gear is the April 17<sup>th</sup> practice.
2. Players must own all their own gear. (helmets, shoulder pads, hip/thigh/knee pads)
3. Helmets must be silver with a black facemask. Helmet decals will be supplied.
4. If you do not own your own gear:
  - a. Portland Raiders have some 2009 gear available, on a first come basis.
  - b. Bashor's will offer us a discount. 112 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Ave, Portland. Ask for Dave.
  - c. You may EARN your gear (see below)

## **UNIFORM**

1. Players may request, but will not be guaranteed their number preference.
2. All uniforms must be returned to your coach at the end of each game.
3. If you would like to take your uniform home:
  - a. You may leave \$150 deposit (refundable when returned)
  - b. You may purchase your uniform for \$150
  - c. You may EARN your uniform (see below)

## **PLAYER FEES**

Fees for 2010 are \$150. Half is due on our April 17<sup>th</sup> practice. Total due by 5/22/10.

## **VOLUNTEERING**

Each player is required to volunteer a minimum of 20 hours for an approved public or non-profit organization before 5/22/10. Opportunities will be posted on [www.portlandraiders.org](http://www.portlandraiders.org)

## **SPONSORSHIP**

If you are unable to afford the player fee, you may apply for a sponsorship. Only a few applicants will be selected. You must submit a brief letter by 3/6/10. Describe how you will benefit your team (Chain crew, marketing, street poster team, field cleanup, volunteering).

## **EARNING YOUR WAY**

1. Gear, uniform, and player fees may be reduced or waived if you bring in sponsors.
2. The deadlines above still apply.
3. Your fees are reduced by 25%. E.g. If you sell a \$300 ad, your fees are reduced \$75.

## **DEADLINES**

1. March 6<sup>th</sup>. Sponsorship requests due.
2. April 17<sup>th</sup>. 1/2 player fees due. Silver helmets and pads at practice.
3. May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Total player fees due. 20 volunteer hours due. Failure= Missed games.

## **PRACTICE**

Saturdays, 12pm, David Douglas High School. (corner of SE Market & 130<sup>th</sup>) Subject to change.

## **Roster Info**

Portland Raiders roster limit is 60 players. If you do not make this roster you are eligible to practice with the team. Players on the practice roster are eligible to move to the main roster until the 5<sup>th</sup> regular season game. Not all 60 players will travel on road games.

**Keep up to date.** Web/bulletin boards: [www.PortlandRaiders.org](http://www.PortlandRaiders.org) . Phone: (503) RAIDERS.