MARKET RESEARCH PARTICIPATION
CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM

Project: DICK’S Sporting Goods Insiders

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I have voluntarily agreed to participate in the Project identified above. I authorize Dick’s Sporting Goods, Inc., and its agent, Schmidt Market Research, and their respective principals, employees, successors, assigns, and licensees (collectively “Agents”), to capture and use my opinions, thoughts and ideas as relevant to the above topic and described in further detail below. I acknowledge that any information and/or opinions I provide during the Project may be used by Agents, in the methods described below, and I waive any right I might have to confidentiality of this information and/or opinions which may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Spoken statements
- Written statements, including drawings
- Comments extraneous to the topic as stated during the focus session
- Photographs of me
- Follow-up (if applicable) as described to me by Agents
- Ideas rendered, which are yielded into the research gathered today

These opinions might be captured in any and all of the following formats:

- Audio recordings
- Visual recordings, including films, photographs, and audiovisual records
- My written statements

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