

CONTRACT

**BEHAVIOR CONTRACT**

The New England Aquarium and Simons IMAX Theatre encourage our visitors to explore the aquatic wonders in all of our exhibits and films. Therefore, to make your visit as enjoyable and educational as possible, we ask that you review the following guidelines with your students and chaperones before your visit. Once you have done so, please sign the form and bring it with you upon check-in.

**Please note:** *If you do not bring this contract with you on the date of your visit, we will present one to you at the time of your check-in and ask that you read and sign it before you enter.*

**RESERVATION #** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF HEAD CHAPERONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**The students and chaperones of \_\_\_\_\_ have read and agree to the following guidelines:**

1. Groups are expected to be well behaved during their visit to the New England Aquarium and Simons IMAX Theatre. This includes: following directions, staying with assigned chaperones, respecting Aquarium property and staff, walking, not running through exhibits, and maintaining a modest level of noise. Disruptive behavior may result in your group being asked to leave the building.
2. School groups must have a minimum of a 1:10 student/chaperone ratio. Chaperones must monitor and remain with their students at all times.
3. It is important that groups arrive at their scheduled time. Arriving late could result in delayed Aquarium admission and missing a scheduled IMAX film.
4. Aquarium admission allows groups to enter and exit the main building throughout the day, whereas reserved IMAX films are a one-time entry only.
5. For the protection of our animals, we require that groups:
  - Do not bring food or drinks into the exhibit areas. Inquire upon check-in about available lunch storage.
  - Do not climb or sit on exhibits.
  - Do not tap on the glass.
  - Do not chew gum or use laser pointers inside the main building.
6. There is no bus parking available at the Aquarium. Please arrange for a drop-off and pick-up time with your bus driver before you arrive. Each group is allotted a 15-minute window for loading and unloading buses. Please have bus drivers use the bus permit provided so we may recognize your group.
7. The New England Aquarium is not responsible for loss or damage of personal items.

By signing below, I verify that I have read the behavior contract with my group and chaperones and accept full responsibility for their actions during our visit to the New England Aquarium. I understand that my group may be asked to leave if the above contract is violated.

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Failure to comply with any of these policies may result in your group being asked to leave.**

