

Heart of America Aquarium Society of Kansas City **Rev. 2024 Swap Rules & Vendor Agreement**

This agreement is established between the **Heart of America Aquarium Society of Kansas City (HAAS KC)** and the participating vendors of the Fish Swap event, hereinafter referred to as "Vendor(s)." By participating in this event, Vendors agree to abide by the following terms and conditions:

1. Healthy Stock Policy

- **General Health Standards:** All fish, aquatic plants, corals, and related items offered for sale must be healthy and free from visible signs of disease or injury.
- **Inspection and Removal:** Items deemed unhealthy or diseased by event staff must be promptly removed from the sales area.

2. Product Condition

- **Functional Items:** All equipment or other non-living items sold must be in working condition unless otherwise clearly stated.
- **Defect Disclosure:** Vendors must prominently disclose any defects or functional issues to potential buyers.

3. Compliance with Regulations

- **Adherence to Laws:** Vendors are responsible for ensuring that all items offered for sale comply with local, state, and federal regulations, including wildlife and invasive species bans.
- **Vendor Responsibility:** It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to confirm the legality of the species or items they bring to the swap.

4. Enforcement and Consequences

- **Policy Violations:** Vendors found in violation of these rules, including selling prohibited species or unhealthy stock, may be required to leave the event.
- **Future Participation:** Violations may result in a ban from future HAAS KC events.

Vendor Transaction Responsibility

5. Financial Transactions

- **Self-Managed Sales:** Vendors are responsible for managing their own sales transactions, including accepting payment and providing change.
- **Preparation:** Vendors must bring sufficient change for cash transactions and are encouraged to arrange for their own card processing equipment if desired.

6. Club Financial Support

- **No Club Cash Reserves:** The club will not provide cash for making change.
- **No Card Equipment:** The club does not provide card processing equipment or support.

7. Liability Disclaimer

- **Vendor Responsibility:** HAAS KC is not responsible for any disputes or issues arising from transactions between Vendors and buyers. Vendors are solely liable for the accuracy of product descriptions and the condition of items sold.
- **Event Liability:** HAAS KC is not liable for any injuries, damages, losses, or other claims that may arise during or as a result of participation in the Fish Swap event. Vendors participate at their own risk.
- **Property Responsibility:** Vendors are responsible for safeguarding their own items, equipment, and personal belongings during the event.

Acknowledgment and Agreement

By signing below, the Vendor affirms that they have read, understood, and agree to comply with these rules and terms.

Vendor Signature: _____

Date: _____