

Application

The New York Pilates Studio®

Teacher Certification Program

2006 - 2010



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Introduction

A competitive edge in today's fitness world is an absolute necessity. Quality education, professional training, and superior credentials are the foundation for this. The New York Pilates Studio ® Teacher Certification Program, started in November 1992, was the first and remains the oldest Pilates professional training program in the world. With over a 1000 graduates, word wide, its message of excellence in training and education stands tall. The *copyrighted* Teacher Certification Manual used *exclusively* by this Program was created to ensure a comprehensive formula for translation of the Authentic Pilates™ system of exercises to the student or “apprentice”, and it has remained the hallmark of the New York Pilates Studio® Teacher Certification program today.

The United States Pilates Association, LLC™ (U.S.P.A.™) is the exclusive provider of the New York Pilates Studio ® Teacher Certification Program in the U.S.* The U.S.P.A.™ continues the rich tradition of this Certification Program started in 1992 by providing instruction and continuing education in Authentic Pilates.™ The U.S.P.A.™ will also conduct Archival Seminars using *exclusive* footage and photographs taken from the Joseph Pilates Archives. The mission of the U.S.P.A.™ is to preserve and continue to promote the highest standards in Pilates education and professional training for future generations. In short, the U.S.P.A.™ shall represent

“The Core of Pilates Education”™

Overview

There are two avenues of certification: The Bridging Program and the Teacher Certification Program

The Bridging Program is described in Appendix A. All provisions of this Application not modified by the terms of the Bridging Program shall apply to applicants of the Bridging Program as well as applicants to the Teacher Certification Program.

The Teacher Certification Program is comprised of two parts, which are:

1. Consecutive 4 day system workshops, or 10/12 day intensive, and
2. Apprenticeship.

The Apprenticeship is divided into three phases, each entailing approximately 200 hours:

- 1- Observation
- 2- Assisted student teaching
- 3- Independent student teaching

Exams are administered upon completion of each phase. Certification is issued once the apprentice has attended all of the system workshops, and completed all phases and exams successfully.

Course Formats & Descriptions:

Systems Workshops

The workshops covering all the apparatus and mat work are broken down into three segments, 4 days each, of beginner, intermediate, and advanced systems and must be taken in sequential order. Required Reading books will be reviewed and Apprentice will be tested on these books.

Part 1: Beginner System:

Beginner system focuses upon technical and teaching aspects of all of the apparatus at this level minus the pedi pull. Modifications for physical limitations are taught.

Part 2: Intermediate System

Intermediate system follows the teaching progression to this level, and outlines the appropriate evolution of the client. Modifications for physical limitations are taught

Part 3: Advanced System:

Focuses on the advanced and some Archival exercises and breaks down the more highly customized needs of the client through identifying weaknesses, or injuries, and applying Authentic Pilates™. Modifications for physical limitations are taught.

10-12 Day Intensive Course

The intensive combines all of the material from all three systems, beginner through advanced, into one module of 10-12 consecutive days. Application is limited to students who have extensive Pilates experience, and who are in excellent physical condition. Approval is subject to audition/interview as conducted by the U.S.P.A.™

Application Process

Pre requisites

1. 35 private sessions inclusive of up to 10 mat classes given by an Instructor certified through the New York Pilates Studio® Teacher Certification Program (“Certified Instructor”) are prerequisite to applying to the Program. 75 private sessions, inclusive of the prerequisite 35 total classes, as referenced above, are required during the apprenticeship prior to graduation. At least 35 private sessions must be taken at the Certification Center of origin.

2. Written application including:

- * Student Bio (Also required for Bridge Program) See Appendix B
- * Enrollment Agreement (Also required for Bridge Program)) See Appendix C
- * Medical History Form (Also required for Bridge Program) See Appendix D
- * Non Compete & Confidentiality/Non Disclosure Agreement (Also required for Bridge Program) See Appendix E

3. 1 personal & 1 professional letter of recommendation (Also required for Bridge Program)
4. Personal interview & practical assessment at the Certification Center of origin with Center Director or Teacher Trainer.

Tuition, Enrollment, & Program Fees

Student tuition is: \$4,000.00 US dollars.

Tuition does not include:

- * Pre requisite interview & practical assessment (\$100.00)
- * Cost of mandatory private sessions taken prior to and during the Program
- * Cost of liability insurance (required of each apprentice including the Bridge Program))
- * Cost or traveling to Workshops/Intensive/Anatomy Seminar
- * Testing per every 200 hours, and re tests, where necessary
As follows:
 - (200 hours) practical, oral Q & A, \$ 75.00
 - (400 hours) practical & written, oral Q & A \$100.00
 - (600 hours) practical, written, oral Q & A, \$125.00
- * Anatomy seminar, \$275.00 (required to be taken during the apprenticeship)

Tuition Payment:

\$500.00 deposit with application
\$1500.00 upon acceptance to the Program
\$2000.00 balance 1 week prior to beginning of first system workshop

Cancellations prior to official Program acceptance will result in a \$50 application processing fee, which will be deducted from the \$500.00 deposit and the balance will be refunded to the applicant.

ALL payments made subsequent to Program acceptance are NON REFUNDABLE.

Upon receipt of a fully completed application, candidates will be contacted by the Certification Center to schedule their interview, and practical evaluation.

The Teacher Certification Program Apprenticeship Requirements

The apprenticeship consists of 600 hours logged with a Certified Instructor at a recognized Certification Center or other training center recognized in writing as an Authentic Pilates™ center by the U.S.P.A.™ (The last 200 hours must be logged at the Certification Center of origin).

60 hours of documented practice per month are necessary for active apprentice status, along with monthly attendance at apprentice meetings at the center of origin. Centers reserve the right to terminate apprentices who do not adequately satisfy all requirements.

Apprentice logs will be issued by the Certifying Center, and must be signed by the supervising instructor regularly (every 50 hours). Every 100 hours the logs must be turned in to the Certification Center of origin.

Apprenticeship must be completed within one year of entry into the Program. Program extensions for extenuating circumstances are granted at the sole and absolute discretion of the U.S.P.A.™, Apprentice must submit to the U.S.P.A.™ a written request setting forth in detail the extenuating circumstances at least one month prior to the end of the apprenticeship year.

Apprentices will not teach clients outside of the Certification Center of Origin until they have graduated from the Program. Apprentices in violation of this policy will be expelled from the Program without refund. See exceptions for Bridge Program

During the apprentice program (including the Bridge Program) the Apprentice shall be required to teach at the Certifying Center, of origin and the Apprentice will receive compensation at the minimum hourly rate permitted by law.

Exceptions and modification to apprenticeship requirements may be granted in the U.S.P.A.'s™ sole and absolute discretion

Exams:

There are practical and or written exams upon completion of each 200 hours apprenticeship phase. Exams are evaluated pass/fail, and apprentices must pass the requirements at each phase prior to proceeding to the next phase. This process and costs are overseen by the centers. Apprentices are NOT allowed to observe other apprentices testing.

Testing will be done only by instructors selected by the U.S.P.A.™.

Levels of Exams:

200 hours-practical & basic question & answer

400 hours-practical & written

600 hours-practical, oral, & written

Failure to pass:

- 1.) 1st failure requires an additional 10 hours before retesting
- 2.) 2nd failure, and each additional failure, requires an additional 25 hours
- 3.) A retest fee in the amount of \$75.00 will be charged for each retest.

Leave of Absence Policy

The apprenticeship reflects a physically intense learning environment. Students, with extenuating circumstances may request a leave of absence for a reasonable amount of time. Leaves will be granted at the sole and absolute discretion of The U.S.P.A. TM Students who have been medically rendered unable to exercise for 30 days, must obtain a doctors' note for reinstatement.

Transferring between Certification Centers:

Special circumstances, for example, relocating for business, moving, etc. may permit a Certification Center transfer by special request. However written request and approval must be obtained from the U.S.P.A. TM with detailed explanation.

National Certifying Centers

PilatesRI 265 Wickenden Street Providence, RI 02906 www.Pilatesri.com	The New York Pilates Studio® 311 West 43 rd Street, Suite 405 NYC, NY 10036 www.performingartspt.com
The Pilates Institute (SM) of Fort Lauderdale 3342 NE 32 nd Street Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 333308 www.ThePilatesInstitute.net	The Pilates Haus 155 Second Street Jersey City, New Jersey 07302 www.pilateshaus.com
Art of Control SUNY 735 Anderson Hill Road Purchase NY, 10577 www.artofcontrol.com	Core Sport Pilates Fitness Studio 829 Penniman Ave. Plymouth, MI 48170 www.coresportstudio.com
Pilates Loft 1909 N Orange Ave Orlando, FL 32804-5530 www.pilates-loft.com	Joe's Place True Pilates 305 Hokum Rock Rd. E. Dennis, MA 02641 www.joesplacetruepilates.com

International Certifying Centers

For applicants who wish to train OUTSIDE the United States please contact, the New York Pilates Studio ® at 212-245-7278

The New York Pilates Studio® of Brazil
R.Cincinato Braga, 520
Bela Vista-Sao Paulo, Brazil
Tel/Fax 011-551-1284-8905

The New York Pilates Studio ® of Italy
Via Lanciani 15
Rome, Italy 00196
Tel 011 3906 862 00616
Fax 011 2906 862 17910

The New York Pilates Studio ® of Australia
Holt Street, Surry Hills, 2010 Australia
Tel/Fax 011 551 1284 8905

*** Application Checklist ***

1. Prior sessions logs documenting 35 Pilates lessons
2. Completed Student Bio & Enrollment Agreement (Also required for Bridge Program)
3. 1 professional, 1 personal reference letter (Also required for Bridge Program)
4. \$500.00 deposit made payable to U.S.P.A.™. (Also required for Bridge Program)
5. Medical health history form and letter from physician stating that applicant is physically capable of participating in the Certification Program. (Also required for Bridge Program)
6. Acceptance of the non competition and confidentiality/non disclosure agreement
7. (Also required for Bridge Program)

Upon receipt of the above, an interview and practical assessment with a Teacher Trainer, or other U.S.P.A.™ appointed instructor must be scheduled. Video assessments are available for applicants residing 100 or more miles away.

Appendix A

The Bridging Program

The United States Pilates Association, LLC TM (“U.S.P.A. TM”) and the New York Pilates Studio [®] Teacher Certification Program (“Program”) welcome people certified through other reputable Pilates organizations who desire certification in Authentic Pilates TM.

The U.S.P.A. TM recognizes the value of Pilates education from other reputable institutions. Since every approach is different, and our program is very specific in its proven and honored classical tradition, we will do an individual assessment for each applicant, customizing their unique “bridge” program requirements to meet their individual needs as follows:

1. Initial interview & intake meeting with Teacher of Teachers (can be done by phone, or video), however, a direct meeting is preferred.
2. Practical & Oral Q & A, two phase assessment of teaching and performing exercises through the advanced repertoire:
Phase I - mat, reformer, chair
Phase II - cadillac, barrels, Pedi pull, magic circle, weights

Focus on “traditional” endings for beginner, intermediate, and advanced routines will be highlighted. Knowledge of which exercises are beginner, intermediate and advanced will be required. Modifications of the exercises to accommodate physical limitations shall also be highlighted.

This phase shall require a payment of \$100.00 to the U.S.P.A. TM

3. Upon acceptance into the bridge program, an Apprentice Program will be outlined for each applicant by a U.S.P.A. TM Teacher of Teachers/Center Director, emphasizing additional knowledge and review in areas deemed necessary by the U.S.P.A. TM.

Tuition

The assessment will determine tuition. Where the assessment determines the candidate requires more than 300 apprenticeship hours, they will need to apply for full certification.

200 - 300 hours, tuition \$2500.00 (plus up to 50 private lessons with the Center Director.)

1 - 200 hours, tuition \$2,000.00 (plus up to 25 private lessons with the Center Director.)

The hours will be divided up by the Center Director into observation, training and teaching).

Tuition payments shall be payable upon acceptance into the Program.

Private lessons are not included in the cost of tuition. At least two practical exams will be administered at times determined by the Center Director, and there will be a final oral, practical, and written exam once all hours have been completed. The U.S.P.A. TM may also request that the candidate attend one or more system workshops (each 4 days) for a \$250 fee per seminar. Apprentices in the Program must also attend apprentice meetings at the Certification Center at least once a month. All exams must be passed to achieve certification. Retests shall be given at a cost of \$75.00 per retest; provided that if the final exam is not passed, up to 25 hours of apprenticeship

shall be required before the exam is retaken. Apprentices in the Bridge Program will be required to teach at the Center and be observed by the Center Director.

All of the rules, regulations and guidelines set out for Apprentices entering the full Teacher Certification Program shall apply to the Bridge apprentice except as modified by these rules.

Bridge applicants will be free to continue to teach outside of the Certification Center; however, they may not in any way refer to themselves as certified by the Program or use the term Authentic Pilates™ in any manner.

Bridge applicants must complete one continuing education seminar per year as offered by the U.S.P.A™ to maintain certification in the Program.

Appendix B

The New York Pilates Studio® Teacher Certification Program
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Student Bio

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (day) _____ Evening _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Certification Center: _____

Prior Pilates Experience

Instructor's name: _____ phone: _____

Email: _____ Address: _____

Number of Sessions: _____ Name of Studio: _____

How frequently do you work out? Please summarize, and define the activities.

Have you any prior movement related background? If so explain.

Which pilates apparatus do you have experience with?

Total number of sessions in the past 6 months?

Appendix C

Enrollment Agreement

Check one:

I am enrolling for the 600 hour Apprentices Program

I am enrolling for the Bridge Program

1. By signing this agreement, I the student, acknowledges that he/she has read and understand all of the requirements and guidelines of the Application for the New York Pilates Studio ® Teacher Certification Program, including without limitation the Bridge Program (collectively “Program”), and that I agree to all of its terms, conditions and regulations.
2. The student agrees to participate in the Program at his/her own risk and hereby releases the United States Pilates Association ™ LLC (“U.S.P.A. ™”), and the Program and their respective principals, officers, directors, employees, representatives, and their successors and assigns from any and all liability resulting from his/her involvement in the Program.
3. State laws may vary with regard to the uses or application of the lessons and/or procedures taught in the Program. The U.S.P.A. ™ makes no representation or warranties concerning the uses and application of the lessons and/or procedures taught in the Program other than the Program is fully accredited by United States Pilates Association ™ LLC.
4. The U.S.P.A. ™ reserves the right to terminate any student from the Program for conduct which violates U.S.P.A. ™ policies or the policies of any Certification or Training Center involved in the Program, or which conduct qualifies as unprofessional conduct deemed inappropriate as determined by the U.S.P.A. ™ in its sole and absolute discretion. Students must be able to physically exercise in seminars and apprenticeship to be eligible for certification. The U.S.P.A. ™. reserves the right to suspend students who cannot participate fully in the Program.
5. Refund Policy:
No refunds are given once the student is accepted into the Program.
6. I agree I will not use the following marks either alone or in combination with any other wording without the express written permission of the U.S.P.A. ™: The New York Pilates Studio®, Authentic Pilates™, Pilates Guild ®, United States Pilates Association ™, and the U.S.P.A. ™. I further agree that I will not record or duplicate through any means any seminars, workshops or written, audio or video materials distributed in connection with the Program (including without limitation the Teacher Certification Manual) whether distributed by the U.S.P.A. ™ or any Certification Center or any person who conducts a seminar, workshop or anything similar thereto. without prior written permission from the U.S.P.A. ™, which may be withheld in its sole and absolute discretion. I understand that if I am expelled or drop out of the Program, I must return any written, audio or video materials (in any format), which I have received in the course of the Program. I understand that (except for the Bridging Program) teaching outside of the Certification Center of origin while an apprentice is cause for termination without refund.
7. I acknowledge that I may not assign my rights or delegate my duties or obligations under this agreement.

8. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT, THE U.S.P.A™. MAKES NO (AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS) ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED (INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARISING FROM COURSE OF DEALING OR COURSE OF PERFORMANCE), AND EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED FOR IN THIS AGREEMENT THE APPLICANT HEREBY SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY CLAIM IN TORT (EXCEPT GROSS NEGLIGENCE AND WILFUL MISCONDUCT), IN EACH CASE, REGARDING THE SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND THE DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN THIS AGREEMENT. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE U.S.P.A.(TM) BE LIABLE FOR, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES (EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES), ARISING FROM ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT.
9. Student acknowledges that in order to maintain certification status, Student must take at least one Continuing Education Seminar, or Systems Workshop offered by the United States Pilates Association™ every 12 months following the date of certification.
10. The rights and obligations of The United States Pilates Association™ LLC. and the undersigned applicant under this agreement, including without limitation, the provisions contained in Paragraph 8, entitled Limitation of Liability shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the U.S.P.A.™, the undersigned applicant and their respective licensors (including the U.S.P.A.™ licensor, Richtone Designs, LLC,), employees, officers, directors and successors in interests and assigns

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Address: _____

Print Telephone Number: _____

Print Email Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Tuition deposit enclosed: \$

Payment Method: _____ Check or ___ Credit Card: ___ MC, ___ Visa,

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date _____

Code _____

Print Name As It Appears On Card: _____

Billing Address of Card: _____

All Checks payable to: The U.S.P.A.™

Appendix D

**The New York Pilates Studio®
Teacher Certification Program**

**Applicant Student Medical History Form
2006-2010**

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Date of Birth: _____

Please list medications, if any:

Frequency of exercise, and any additional relevant activity:

Pre-existing conditions, prior injury, or limitations, which may potentially impact participation in the Certification Program:

Hospitalizations or surgeries, and dates:

Please attach a physicians' note if there are 'warnings,' associated with your medications, and/or there are any potential physical/mental/pre existing conditions which could impact or limit participation in the Program.

Appendix E

AGREEMENT NOT TO COMPETE AND NOT TO DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

I, _____, hereby understand and agree, that in consideration of my application as a candidate for certification as an apprentice in the New York Pilates Studio ® Teacher Certification Program (herein called the "Program") offered by the United States Pilates Association, ™ LLC (herein called the "LICENSOR") at any of its National Certifying Centers (herein referred to as "Centers"), I shall comply with the following material terms and conditions of my training and certification:

1. I understand and agree that all records, whether original, duplicated, computerized, memorized, handwritten, or in any other medium or form, and all information contained therein, including names, addresses, phone numbers, and financial information of any account, customer, client, customer lead or prospect of the LICENSOR or any Center ("Account"), are confidential and are the sole and exclusive property of LICENSOR and/or the Center. This information, whether provided to me by LICENSOR, or by any Center or by any Account, is entrusted to me as an apprentice of the Program. None of such records, nor any part of them is to be removed by me from the premises of LICENSOR or any Center either in original form or in computerized, duplicated, or copied form except with the written permission of the LICENSOR and the Center and then, for the sole purpose of my participation in the Program, and the names, addresses, and other facts in such records are not to be transmitted verbally, in writing, or in computerized form or in any other medium by me except in the ordinary course of my participation in the Program All of said records or any part of them are the sole proprietary information of LICENSOR and/or the Centers and shall be treated by me as confidential information of LICENSOR and the Centers. I agree not to divulge or disclose this information to any third party and under no circumstances will I reveal or permit this information to become known by any competitor of the LICENSOR and/or any Center either during my service or at any time thereafter.
2. I understand and agree that the records and the information therein are extremely valuable to the LICENSOR and the Centers and I agree to take all reasonable measures to maintain its confidentiality and to guard its secrecy. This information is not generally known outside the LICENSOR or the Centers. and this information is confidential and used only a "need to know" basis. This information is developed and acquired by great expenditures of time, effort, and money. This information is unique and cannot be lawfully duplicated or easily acquired. Consequently, I agree that these records and the information contained therein are the property of LICENSOR and/or the Centers and are deserving of trade secret status and protection.
3. If, at any time, I resign from the Program. provoke my termination, am terminated for cause, or cease my association with LICENSOR and/or any Center (through graduation, certification, etc.), I agree THAT FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS following my termination for any reason, I will not solicit by mail, by phone, by personal meeting, or by

any other means, either directly or indirectly, any Account of the USPA or any Center that I attend during my apprenticeship in the Program. whom I served or whose name became known to me during my apprenticeship in the Program. My agreement "not to solicit" means that I will not, DURING MY APPRENTICESHIP AND FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS thereafter, initiate any contact or communication, of any kind whatsoever, for the purpose of inviting, encouraging or requesting any Account:

(a) to transfer from the any Center to me or to my new employer or to any third party whether an individual or other legal entity, or to any studio or place where I am teaching Pilates or any exercise program similar to Pilates, or (b) to open a new account with me or with my new employer or with any third party whether an individual or other legal entity, or with any studio or place where I am teaching Pilates or any exercise program similar to Pilates or (c) to otherwise discontinue its patronage and business relationship with any Center. The intent of this paragraph is to be broad and all encompassing so as to prevent any prejudice to any.

5. In the event of termination and/or completion of my apprenticeship in the Program at a Center, I shall (i) not solicit, for a period of Five years from the date of termination of my service, any of the clients or prospective clients of any Center whom I served or whose names became known to me while working as an apprentice in the Program at any Center, and (ii) return any original records and purge or destroy any computerized, duplicated, or copied records referred to in paragraph 1 AND 2 which have been removed from the premises of any Center in any form.
6. Geographic Limitation. During my apprenticeship in the Program, and for a period of five years after the termination of my apprenticeship for any reason whatsoever or completion of my apprenticeship, whichever occurs last, I shall be prohibited from competing in any manner, either directly or indirectly, with the business of any teaching of any Pilates exercise program or program similar to the Pilates exercise program where that exercise program is based directly or indirectly upon the principles of the Pilates methodology, whether or not such exercise program is called Pilates or some other name. I shall be restricted from competing in the following areas:

A seven-mile radius from the location of any of the following National Certifying Centers:
Pilates Institute of Ft. Lauderdale, Pilates RI, The Art of Control, Core Sport Pilates Fitness
Studio, Pilates Loft, Joe's Place True Pilates

A one half mile radius of the Pilates Studio ® of New York and The Pilates Haus

I agree that the aforementioned time and geographical limitations on competition are reasonable and that my agreement to them is required in order that I be accepted into the Program. I further understand that I have been told by the LICENSOR that the restrictions contained in this agreement are very important and I have been told to have this restriction as well as the rest of this agreement reviewed by an attorney of my choice prior to my signing the agreement. I understand that the Center (s) business may be severely harmed if I defaulted under any of the provisions of this agreement.

7. In the event I breach any of the covenants of any of the preceding paragraphs I agree that the LICENSOR & any Center will be entitled to injunctive relief. I recognize that LICENSOR & any Center will suffer immediate and irreparable harm and that money damages will not alone be adequate to compensate LICENSOR or any Center or to protect and preserve the status quo. Therefore, I CONSENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER or A PRELIMINARY or PERMANENT INJUNCTION ordering:
 - (a) that I immediately return to LICENSOR or any Center all records whether original, duplicated, computerized, handwritten, or in any other form whatsoever, and that I be enjoined and restrained from using or disclosing any information contained in such records; and
 - (b) that I be further enjoined and restrained, for the periods set forth in this agreement, from accepting business from any Account who was solicited in violation of this agreement or whose records and information was used in violation of this agreement
8. For the purposes of paragraph 7, I agree to submit to, and confer exclusive jurisdiction on, the United States District Court or the State Court which has original jurisdiction for judicial district or county in which the Center is located or in which the offices of the LICENSOR are located. This Agreement shall be construed, governed by, and enforced in accordance with the laws of said jurisdiction.
9. I further consent to the issuance of a temporary restraining order or a preliminary injunction to prohibit the breach of any provision of this contract, or to maintain the status quo pending the outcome of any arbitration or judicial proceedings which may be initiated.
10. I agree that should it become necessary for-the U.S.P.A or any Center to file suit to enforce the covenants contained herein, and any court of competent jurisdiction awards the LICENSOR or any Center any damages and/or an injunction due to my acts, then the LICENSOR and/or the Center shall be entitled to recover its costs incurred in conducting the suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses.
11. I understand that I may not assign my rights or obligations hereunder. The rights and obligation of the LICENSOR and the Centers hereunder shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon its successors and assigns as well as its licensors.
12. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more of the provisions hereof shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the other provisions hereof and any court of competent jurisdiction is hereby given the authority to rewrite those provisions of the agreement which are deemed to be invalid or unenforceable in a manner as to be as closely consistent with the original provision as is legal and enforceable.

13. LICENSOR or any Centers failure by to insist upon strict compliance with any provision hereof shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or any other provisions hereof.
14. This Agreement may not be modified except by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto.
15. This Agreement shall be governed in all respects, including validity, interpretation and effect by the laws of the State of Florida without giving effect to the conflicts of laws principles thereof.
16. For the purposes of this agreement, the term National Certifying Centers shall be deemed to mean any location (s) where the LICENSOR has now or in the future may license the Program to be taught. Currently the Centers are:

PilatesRI 265 Wickenden Street Providence, RI 02906 www.Pilatesri.com	The New York Pilates Studio® 311 West 43 rd Street, Suite 405 NYC, NY 10036 www.performingartspt.com
The Pilates Institute (SM) of Fort Lauderdale 1500 E. Broward Boulevard, Suite#250 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 333309 www.ThePilatesInstitute.net	The Pilates Haus 155 Second Street Jersey City, New Jersey 07302 www.pilateshaus.com
Art of Control SUNY 735 Anderson Hill Road Purchase NY, 10577 www.artofcontrol.com	Core Sport Pilates Fitness Studio 829 Penniman Ave. Plymouth, MI 48170 www.coresportstudio.com
Pilates Loft 1909 N Orange Ave Orlando, FL 32804-5530 www.pilates-loft.com	Joe's Place True Pilates 305 Hokum Rock Rd. E. Dennis, MA 02641 www.joesplacetruepilates.com

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____