**Trailer Hire: Terms and Conditions**

These terms shall apply to the hire of the horse trailer that we supply to you (Hirer).

For the purpose of the following conditions of hire, the person hiring the trailer shall be called the ‘Hirer’. The trailer is wholly owned by Wayne Hitchcott, who shall be called the ‘Owner’. The horse trailer rented by the ‘Owner’ to the ‘Hirer’ shall be called the ‘Trailer’ which has been identified on the front of the Rental Agreement.

**Responsibility of the Owner -** The Owner undertakes to supply the trailer in a roadworthy condition.

The Owner will ensure that the trailer is cleaned and disinfected prior to hire.

The Owner will provide a security device free of charge which must be returned at the end of the hire period.

**Identity of the Hirer -** The Hirer must provide a license check code from the DVLA website [www.gov.uk/view-driving-licence](http://www.gov.uk/view-driving-licence) to prove they have the correct license to tow the trailer.

The Hirer must provide an original utility bill (not a copy), confirming your present address. The bill must not be older than 2 months old and may be sourced from the following: Electricity, gas, water supplier, land line telephone service provider, local council domestic rates, or bank statement.

The Hirer must provide the Original Vehicle Registration Certificate (showing the ‘DVL’ watermark) of the car towing the trailer, confirming your present address.

A copy of these documents will be retained by the Owner and returned to the Hirer at the end of the hire period.

The Hirer shall inform the Owner of any change of address without unreasonable delay.

**Payment -** Hire rate does not include insurance.

Reservation deposits are non-refundable.

A deposit is payable by the Hirer before the time of collection.

The Hirer is required to pay the rental charge in full, prior to collection.

**Trailer Security & Safety -** The Hirer agrees to minimize the risk of damage to or loss of the trailer at all times by employing the most practical and diligent methods of security at all times during the hire period.

The Owner will supply a tow hitch lock and key. The Hirer is responsible for the replacement costs to any item lost or damaged during the hire period.

The Hirer as a condition precedent to liability agrees that the Trailer will be hitch locked when not in use.

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The Hirer must be legally able to tow the trailer in accordance with the UK licensing laws.

The Hirer agrees to load a single horse or, in the case of two horses, the heaviest horse in the off-side compartment to help counter the road’s camber.

**Tow vehicle Suitability & Trailer use -** The Hirer must ensure that the tow vehicle is suitable to tow the expected weight of a fully loaded horse trailer.

The tow vehicle must be fitted with an EC type approved tow-bar, 50mm ball and a standard 7 pin electrical connection socket.

The Hirer agrees to load the trailer within the manufacturer’s limits and to transport the trailer within the UK highway regulations.

The Hirer shall not make any repairs or adjustments without permission and advice from the Owner.

It is the Hirer’s responsibility to ensure that the Trailer is fitted with a legal number plate that matches the tow vehicle. This MUST be fitted before the Trailer leaves the Owner’s premises.