

Davian Works, Storforth Lane, CHESTERFIELD, Derbyshire S40 2TU

TRAILER HIRE Agreement No		Today's Date		Time booked from	
Name (or Co)		DRIVING LICENCE NO			
Address		Expiry date		Reg No	
		Towing Vehicle make and model			
		Tax Disc No		Expiry date	
Postcode		2nd ID			
Tel No		3rd ID			

Credit card /Debit/Switch/Mastercard/visa		Card No	
Valid from		Valid until	
		Issue No	

Trailer model		Serial No	
MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT kg		MAXIMUM PAYLOAD kg	
DO NOT EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE LIMIT			

CHARGES			
Trailer hire charge	£	DEPOSIT (Refundable upon return if no damage)	£
		By cheque/cash/mastercard/visa/switch/debit	
Ratchet straps (set of 4)	£	Late payment charge upon return	£
No plate - LEGAL REQUIREMENT	£	Cleaning charge upon return	£
	£	Damage charge upon return	£
TOTAL CHARGE (cheque/cash/mastercard/visa/switch/debit)	£	TOTAL	£

Trailer is to be returned on	Day	Date	Month	Year	BY	am / pm
Late returns will be charged @ 10% per hour		Trailers must be returned during opening hours		Estimated distance travelled		miles
Opening Hours: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 8.30-5.30pm, Wed 8.30-5pm Apr-Aug & 8.30-12.30 Sep-Mar, Sat 8.30-12.30. If returning a trailer earlier please note that latest returns to be no later than 4.30pm on full days and 12.00 on half days.						

Terms & Conditions – Read thoroughly before signing

- 1) **PAYMENT** Payment shall be made in advance to the hire, complete with the required deposit of £100 (cheques will only be accepted up to the value of a valid guarantee card, two cheques if this is only £50, (BUSINESS CHEQUES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED) with the exception of existing approved Account Customers only, payable NETT MONTHLY.
- 2) **OTHER COVENANTS BY THE HIRER** During the continuance of the hire the Hirer shall:-
 - a) Keep the trailer at the address(es) overleaf.
 - b) Permit the Hiring Company to visit the premises at a reasonable time to either inspect or carry out repairs to the trailer.
 - c) Keep the trailer free from lien or other legal process.
 - d) Inform the Hiring Co when the trailer is in need of repair or adjustment and not allow or authorise person(s) other than the Hiring Co to carry out these repairs or adjustments.
 - e) Not allow the trailer to be used:-
 - i) for the carriage of passengers.
 - ii) for any unlawful purpose.
 - iii) by any person(s) other than the Hirer, except in the cases of accident, whereby the Hiring Co is immediately notified.
 - iv) outside of Great Britain
 - f) Return the trailer complete with any extra equipment provided, as listed overleaf, to the Hiring Co on the date and by the time specified overleaf and in the same condition as when received (normal wear & tear accepted). A charge will be made for any trailers returned in a dirty condition, and also for any damage or shortages, including punctures.
 - g) Inform the hiring Co within 48 hours, excluding Public Holidays, of any loss or damage to the trailer and of any fault therein which reasonably requires repair, and must not, in the case of damage or fault which makes the trailer unroadworthy or liable to cause danger to any person(s) or property, use the trailer until such damage or fault has been repaired or corrected. In such a case and if available an alternative trailer may be offered.
 - h) Not sell, offer for sale or part exchange the trailer or any part of the trailer in any manner inconsistent with the Hiring Co ownership.
 - i) Need not have the handbrake engaged in the on position whilst the wheelclamp is in place.
- 3) **INSURANCE** THE TRAILER IS NOT INSURED. ALL DAMAGES OR LOSSES ARE TOTALLY THE HIRERS RESPONSIBILITY AND WILL BE CHARGED AT THE REPLACEMENT VALUE.
- 4) **MAINTENANCE OF THE TRAILER** So long as the Hirer is not in default of his obligations under this agreement, the Hiring Co will during the continuance of the hiring, service the trailer free of charge. If replacement parts are required which will result in a time delay then the Hiring Co shall where possible provide the Hirer with a FREE of charge replacement, but the Hirer shall remain liable for payment of rentals notwithstanding that the trailer specified in this agreement is out of use.
- 5) **REFUNDS AND PENALTIES** The Hirer shall neither be entitled to nor receive any refunds in lieu of the trailer being returned prior to the return date and time as specified overleaf. However should the Hirer not return by the specified date and time overleaf the Hirer will pay to the Hiring Co a penalty charge at a tariff of 10% of the daily rate per hour or part thereof for every hour over that agreed.
- 6) **GENERALLY** In this agreement, the trailer also includes all accessories and additions, and replacements or renewals, whether made before or after this agreement. No relaxation, forbearance or indulgence by the Hiring Co in enforcing any part of this agreement shall prejudice the rights of the Hiring Co. This agreement shall not come into force until signed on behalf of the Hiring Co by one of its officers so authorised and unless any deposit stated has been paid in full by the Hirer. Number plates are a legal requirement and entirely the Hirers own responsibility, they are not included in any way as part of the hire charge but may be purchased separately. Trailers may neither be collected nor returned on Sundays or Bank Holidays. If a hire period includes Sundays and Bank Holidays these are chargeable at the normal rates.
- 7) If you have to change a wheel or inflate a tyre you will need some of the following information, check that you have selected the correct details for the trailer which you have hired. Both over inflation and under inflation will damage the tyre.

Trailer model	Tyre size	Max pressure PSI	Nut socket size	Nut torque setting	Trailer model	Tyre size	Max pressure PSI	Not socket size	Nut torque setting
Franc Alliance 179									
Motorbike	145R10	45 PSI	11/16 AF	25ft/lb					
Wessex 8 x 5	144R12	65PSI							
VT1500T8	145*80R13	40 PSI	M19	65ft/lb	Beavertail transporter				

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Safe & Legal Towing – Read thoroughly before you sign

The addition of a loaded trailer will have a drastic effect on your vehicles performance. Pulling away will be harder, stopping will take a much greater distance and journeys will take much longer. Extra care will be needed especially on cornering.

Trailer checks before each journey.

It is the drivers responsibility to ensure the safe operation of the trailer and should carry out the following checks prior to towing.

- Correct distribution of goods when loaded, ensuring not to overload the trailer capacity or noseweight
- That the towing vehicle is sufficient to tow the trailer and load
- That the brakes of the towing vehicle are in good working order and capable of stopping the vehicle, the trailer and its load
- The load is securely restrained
- The lighting socket of the towing vehicle is in full working order
- That a number plate has been attached to the trailer corresponding to the towing vehicle
- The breakaway cable or secondary coupling is securely attached to the towing vehicle
- The tyre pressures are correct for the load you will be carrying and that the tyres have sufficient tread and are free from bulges and cracking
- That the trailer is correctly attached to the towing vehicle prior to leaving, and with the correct towing height ie. level
- Ensure that the jockey wheel is fully wound up, lifted fully up within its clamp and fully secured for the journey, also that corner steadies are also fully wound up and secured

Hitching up the trailer to the vehicle

Hitching up the trailer to the Hirers vehicle is the Hirers responsibility. We will assist if asked to do so, but any damage to the Hirers vehicle will be entirely at the Hirers own risk.

- Take time to double check and ensure the hitch up procedure has been done correctly and that nothing has been forgotten
- That towing mirrors are used if your normal view is not good enough
- Firstly apply the handbrake to ensure that the trailer remains stationary, remove ball and socket covers from the towing vehicle, remove all security devices, wind the jockey wheel to the required height and reverse the vehicle so the ball is just under the head of the hitch, or pull trailer forward by hand after releasing the handbrake. Ensure that the ball or hitch are lightly greased (unless you have a special Alko ball – this should either be changed for a traditional towball or thoroughly cleaned with a degreasant after use)
- Never attempt to lift the front of the trailer by hand – USE the jockey wheel to higher or lower as required. Ensuring proper use of the safety catch on the coupling lower the trailer by means of the jockey wheel onto the towball, when fully secure the safety catch on the coupling should locate into place. As a test to ensure they are attached correctly wind the jockey down a couple of turns to see if it lifts the trailer up slightly.
- Fully wind in the jockey wheel, locating the inner stem fully into the outer stem ensuring it is fully located properly at the bottom, lift up within the clamp and secure, making sure it does not obstruct any part of the coupling from working correctly. If it is not secured correctly it will unwind or fall down and will become damaged.
- Attach safety breakaway cable (a) or secondary coupling (b) to the towing vehicle, (a) is attached to the coupling handbrake and will apply the handbrake if the trailer becomes detached, (b) keeps the vehicle attached to the trailer without hitting the floor if they become detached from each other.
- Ensure that electrical cables and breakaway wire has sufficient slack for turning but will not be allowed to drape on the ground.
- The 12N black plug only fits into the 12N black socket on the towing vehicle, there is a cut out on the edge of the plug, this should line up with the lug on the inner edge of the socket (at the bottom). Check all lights before leaving NB ensuring indicators are working the correct way around.
- Adjust your mirrors accordingly so that the trailer is in good view.

Driving with a trailer

- Abide by the speed restriction in force.
- On all roads with street lighting the limit is 30 mph.
- 50mph is the limit on single carriageways unless sign posted otherwise
- 60mph is the limit on dual carriageways and motorways
- YOU are NOT allowed in the third lane of a three lane motorway
- Do not try to exceed your own driving ability, especially if towing is new to you – be sensible
- Drive at a speed you are happy with (even if less than the speed limit) and take into consideration the road and weather conditions
- Reduce speed prior to a downhill descent to eliminate the possibility of ‘snaking’. In the event of the trailer beginning to ‘snake’ or swerve ease off the accelerator- DO NOT apply the brakes – and reduce speed gently whilst controlling the steering. This can also happen if the trailer is badly loaded, overloaded, tyre pressures are incorrect or the trailer is too big for the towing vehicle.
- DO NOT brake sharply on bends, this may cause the trailer to ‘jack-knife’, reduce speed prior to the bend, lower the gearing and then gently accelerate back out of the bend

Reversing a trailer

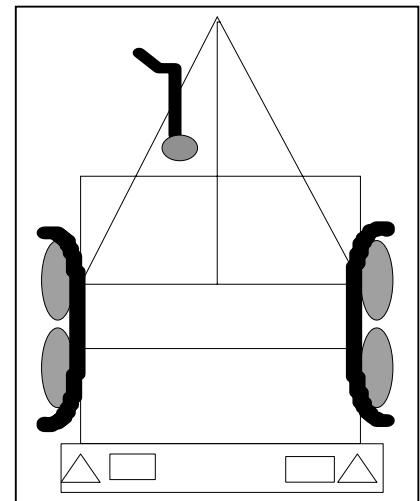
- Prior to reversing ensure that you have plenty of room, if need be, get out of the vehicle first and ensure there are no ‘blind spots’. Engage the help of another person to eliminate accidents.

Generally

- **PLEASE DO NOT WRITE ON OR STICK ANYTHING TO THE TRAILER**
- If trailer is parked for any length of time leave handbrake disengaged and chock wheels.
- If trailer is parked rear facing down an incline it would be prudent to chock the wheels.
- Spare wheels are provided FOC – punctures and tyre damage will be charged for .
- DO NOT use the winch to restrain a load whilst towing.
- When turning left, take the corner wider than normal so as NOT to ‘kerb’ the trailer.
- HITCHLOCKS &/OR WHEELCLAMPS provided must be fitted when the trailer is left unattended
- A tachograph may be required if the Gross Train Weight exceeds 3500kg, different rules apply in different circumstances.

I hereby declare that my details as listed above are correct and valid. I have checked the trailer thoroughly and agree to any damage prior to my hiring it, (ARGUMENTS WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO UPON YOUR RETURN). Any other damage which is not mentioned and which is found upon my return I agree that I will pay for. I agree that in the event of an accident/theft to pay to the Hiring Co the Insurance excess as detailed in note 3 overleaf.

	Damage detail
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I HAVE READ ALL OF THIS FORM AND AGREE TO THE TERMS & CONDITIONS *HIRERS SIGNATURE*