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NATIONWIDE HORSEBOX & TRAILER ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE AND RECOVERY

Terms & Conditions

General Terms

We are:

Equine Rescue Services Ltd

Our Admin Office is:

Retro House, Unit 6d, Parkway Farm Business Centre, Poundbury, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 3AR

Member:

The person named in the schedule who is the registered owner of the Eligible Vehicle, or a person with the permission of the registered owner.

Eligible Vehicle:

The horsebox or horse trailer which is recorded in the schedule.

Membership:

Your membership lasts for one year from and inclusive of the date specified in the Schedule.

Your membership is valid upon payment of our annual membership fee. Upon renewal of your Equine Rescue Services membership, the services that you receive will be those set out in the Terms of Membership current at the time of such renewal. To qualify, vehicles must be registered to you and specified in the schedule together with no more than two named drivers (grooms) if applicable. If you change your vehicle during your membership year you must inform Equine Rescue Services in order for your new vehicle to qualify for assistance.

General Data Protection Regulation:

You will be required to give Equine Rescue Services permission to store and process your personal data, solely for the administration of your membership and the provision of our breakdown and recovery services you have requested. We do not store or process children's personal data, consequently you will be asked to confirm that you are over 18 years of age.

Law and Jurisdiction:

Your Equine Rescue Services Membership is governed by the laws of England.

We/Us/Our:

The assistance service which is operated by Equine Rescue Services and by any authorised employees or agents operating on behalf of Equine Rescue Services.

Territorial Limits:

The United Kingdom.

Period of Membership:

12 Months from the commencement date shown in the Schedule.

Breakdown:

The sudden and unforeseen failure of the Eligible Vehicle, whilst in use, caused by mechanical or electrical defect, therein causing such vehicle to be immobilised.

Home:

The address last notified to us as the place where the Eligible Vehicle is normally kept within the territorial limits.

The Service:

Equine Rescue Services provides the following services:

- Call out and roadside assistance
- Horsebox and trailer recovery
- Emergency horse transport
- Overnight livery and accommodation for you and your groom

Assistance not covered by the terms of your membership will be provided but the Member will remain responsible for all charges resulting from the provision of such assistance, i.e. Veterinary Support, Farrier Referral and Slaughter/Carcass removal. We will bill you retrospectively for all costs including call-out, labour, replacement parts and other materials.

General Conditions

Membership

- 1. You are not entitled to service under this membership within the first 24 hours of affecting your membership.
- 2. We will give service provided you have paid your membership subscription and do not owe us any money.
- 3. You must declare all material facts which are likely to affect the terms of your membership.
- 4. We will not make a refund if you cancel your membership during the membership year, except if you have cancelled within the first 14 days from inception of your membership, and only providing you have not used our services.
- 5. You must produce a valid membership number or proof of identity to use our services. If these are not available we may refuse service or make a charge.

- 6. You must notify us immediately of any changes in the details you provided at the start of your membership.
- 7. You will be required to reimburse to us within 30 days from date of our invoice for any costs or expenses paid out on your behalf. Failure to do so may affect your ability to access the service.
- 8. If you fail to pay any outstanding fees, under the terms of membership we will take legal action against you to recover the funds. Interest will be added monthly, in line with Her Majesty's Court Service, HMCS.
- 9. Vehicles being used under a standard or international operator's licence and trailers or horseboxes exceeding: (i) 24 tons gross vehicle weight and/or (ii) 35 years of age from the date of first registration are not eligible under a standard membership, and would be charged at one of the premium membership rates.
- 10.If you believe you have grounds to register a complaint regarding a service that we have provided, you must register the complaint with us within fourteen days of the date of the incident. Letters must be addressed to "Customer Services, Equine Rescue Services Ltd, Retro House, Unit 6d Parkway Farm Business Centre, Poundbury, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 3AR."
- 11. We reserve the right to refuse renewal of a membership.
- 12. Your telephone calls to and from us may be monitored and recorded as part of our training and quality assurance program. This complies with OFCOM regulations.

Vehicles and Breakdowns

- Equine Rescue Services will arrange and pay reasonable costs for roadside assistance and/or recovery
 of the Eligible Vehicle. The cost of parts, tyres, oils and materials remain the responsibility of the member
 and will be charged retrospectively by Equine Rescue Services. You will not/cannot be charged at
 roadside.
- 2. The Eligible Vehicle must be kept in a roadworthy condition. They must be maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and must be serviced regularly. We retain the right to request proof of servicing.
- 3. An informed decision of either roadside repair or recovery will ultimately be made by the Service Centre.
- 4. We retain the right to request proof that faults which have given rise to previous incidents during the current membership year have been rectified
- 5. We will take legal action against anyone who uses our services dishonestly.
- 6. Our employees and contractors will use reasonable skill and care when providing the service.
- 7. We will not be responsible for any consequential loss in connection with an incident, however it is caused.
- 8. Tyres must be maintained in accordance with the law and the manufacturer's servicing guidelines.
- 9. Following a tyre blow out, normally a new tyre will be fitted unless you specify that you require your own spare tyre to be fitted. However, there may be circumstances in which a new tyre must be fitted, e.g. for safety reasons such as on a motorway.
- 10. New tyres are charged out at a premium rate. You may also be charged for parts associated with tyre replacement and disposal of used tyres. We recommend you carry a spare wheel and tyre.
- 11. The prices of parts/tyres that are given at roadside or on the phone by our staff or contractors at the time of the breakdown are estimated prices only and cannot be guaranteed.
- 12.A garage/specialist undertaking work on your instruction, and which is not covered under your membership, will be deemed to be acting as the agent for you. Equine Rescue Services will only pay for services provided by ourselves unless prior authority has been obtained.
- 13. All workshop labour is payable by the member.

- 14. Following a Road Traffic Collision, Fire, Theft, or external damage, ie wing mirrors, we will provide you with assistance but we will invoice you retrospectively. We may agree to invoice your insurance company directly.
- 15. Repairs carried out at the roadside are considered to be a temporary repair; a permanent repair must be carried out as soon as possible.
- 16. If a prohibition notice has been issued on the vehicle, any assistance required, whether as a direct result of the prohibition order, or thereafter, will not be provided under this membership. Assistance can be provided at your expense and we will invoice you retrospectively.
- 17. Attendance at, or recovery from, trade premises, MOT or VOSA Test Stations is not covered under this membership.
- 18. Breakdowns which are considered to have been caused by human error (e.g. adding incorrect fuel, running out of fuel, being bogged or ditched, loss of keys, keys locked in the vehicle and isolator not being used) are not covered under this membership. Assistance can be provided at your own expense and we will invoice you retrospectively.
- 19. If we are called out repeatedly for the same fault and you cannot provide proof that sufficient action has been taken to rectify the fault, we retain the right to charge you the full cost of the repeat incident.
- 20. You will have to pay any toll, ferry fees, congestion and emission charges.
- 21. If your vehicle is recovered by us to our agents premises for storage we will pay storage fees for the first 24 hours only. Any charges thereafter will be chargeable.
- 22. Assistance for incidents caused by any wilful or negligent act by the Member is not provided, eg radio or lights left on, etc.
- 23. Assistance to vehicles immobilized, temporarily or otherwise by flood, snow, sand or mud is not covered by this membership.
- 24. You must take all ordinary and reasonable precautions to prevent or minimize any loss, damage or breakdown covered under this membership.
- 25. "At Home" service Equine Rescue Services Ltd will cover the first 2 hours of labour at the registered address and reasonable costs to recover the eligible vehicle, if it cannot be repaired, to the nearest agreed repair facility. Labour in excess of 2 hours will be charged to the member retrospectively.
- 26. If the Eligible Vehicle is damaged either internally or externally by a horse(s) we will provide assistance but we will invoice you retrospectively. We may agree to invoice your insurance company directly if relevant.

Horses

- 1. Equine Rescue Services will arrange and pay reasonable costs for the onward transportation of you and your horse(s) or pony(s), to a single destination of your choice.
- 2. We reserve the right to refuse to transport horse(s) or pony(s) if a valid horse passport is not being carried or that if in the opinion of our incident managers or contractors a horse or pony is unfit to be transported safely for whatever reason or if DEFRA have restricted the movement of horses at any given location at the time of the incident.
- 3. Your horse(s) or pony(s) are only eligible for onward travel if the registered vehicle they are being carried in breaks down and cannot be repaired at the roadside within a reasonable time.

- 4. It is your responsibility to ensure that Equine Rescue Services, or its contractors, are aware of any special requirements or instructions relating to the loading and transportation of your horse(s) or pony(s) prior to their movement.
- 5. In the unfortunate event that the member has been injured or hospitalized as a result of a riding accident or road traffic accident and are unable to continue with their journey, Equine Rescue Services will arrange and pay reasonable costs for the transportation of your horses(s) or pony(s) to a single destination of your choice.