

# TRAVEL SOLUTIONS OF BELFAST LIMITED

## BOOKING CONDITIONS

These Booking Conditions, together with our Privacy Policy and where your holiday is booked via our website, our Website Terms of Use, together with any other written information we brought to your attention before we confirmed your booking, form the basis of your contract with TRAVEL SOLUTIONS OF BELFAST LIMITED, 10 Pilots View, Heron Road, Belfast, BT3 9LE & Company number NI030176 (“we”, “us”, “our”). Please read them carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. In these Booking Conditions references to “you” and “your” include the first named person on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is added or transferred.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:

- a. he/she has read these Booking Conditions and has the authority to and does agree to be bound by them.
- b. he/she consents to our use of personal data in accordance with our Privacy Policy and is authorised on behalf of all persons named on the booking to disclose their personal details to us, including where applicable special categories of data (such as information on health conditions or disabilities and dietary requirements);
- c. he/she is over 18 years of age and resident in the United Kingdom and where, placing an order for services with age restrictions declares that he/she and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase those services.
- d. he/she accepts financial responsibility for payment of the booking on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking.
- e. he/she will be the group organiser where, making a group booking and will ensure that full and accurate information is provided to us at the time of booking.

**PLEASE NOTE: We act in the following capacities: as a Package Organiser in the sale of a Package and as a principal in ‘flight only bookings.**

As a result, our obligations to you will differ depending upon whether you book a Package where we are acting as the Package Organiser (please see clause 20 for further details of where this will be the case), or as a principal in respect of flight only sales. Our differing obligations are set out below, in the following separate sections:

- (A) Section A contains the conditions that will apply to all bookings you make with us;
- (B) Section B contains the conditions that will apply when you make a Package booking with us, where we are Package Organiser.
- (C) Section C contains the conditions that will apply where you make a flight only booking with us, where we are acting as a principal.

### SECTION A:

#### APPLICABLE TO ALL BOOKINGS

##### 1. Booking & Paying For Your Arrangements

A booking is made with us when you pay us a deposit (or full payment if you are booking within 56 days of departure) and we issue you with a booking confirmation. The amount of the deposit will be advised by us at the time of booking, but it is normally £50 per person for non-flight inclusive holidays and £100 per person for flight inclusive holidays unless a different amount applies for your chosen arrangements, We will inform you before making a booking where that is the case. We reserve the right to return your deposit and decline to issue a booking confirmation at our absolute discretion. A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with a booking confirmation that will confirm the details of your booking and will be sent to you or your travel agent. If your confirmed arrangements include a flight, we (or if you booked via an authorised agent of ours, that agent) will also issue you with an ATOL Certificate.

Upon receipt, if you believe that any details on the ATOL Certificate or booking confirmation or any other document are wrong you must advise us immediately as changes cannot be made later and it may harm your rights if we are not notified of any inaccuracies in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets).

The balance of the cost of your arrangements (including any applicable surcharge) is due not less than 56 days prior to scheduled departure for all escorted holidays, unless otherwise stated. For American Holidays and Cruises payment is due 98 days before departure and for worldwide holidays (excluding America) payment is due 84 days before departure. Please check your invoice carefully for any exceptions. If we do not receive this balance in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you in which case we shall retain your deposit.

Any money paid to an authorised agent of ours in respect of a booking covered by our ATOL is held by that agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust at all times, but subject to the agent's obligation to pay it to us for so long as we do not fail financially. If we do fail financially, any money held at that time by the agent or subsequently accepted from the consumer by the agent, is and continues to be held by that agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation to pay that money to us.

## **2. Accuracy**

We endeavour to ensure that all the information and prices both on our website and in our brochures are accurate, however occasionally changes and errors occur, and we reserve the right to correct prices and other details in such circumstances. You must check the current price and all other details relating to the arrangements that you wish to book before you make your booking.

## **3. Pricing**

We reserve the right to amend advertised prices at any time. We also reserve the right to correct errors in both advertised and confirmed prices. **Special note: changes and errors sometimes occur. You must check the price of your chosen travel arrangements at the time of booking.**

Where you have booked a Package with us, additional terms and conditions apply, please see clause 21 for further information.

## **4. Insurance**

Adequate travel insurance is a condition of your contract with us. You must be satisfied that your insurance fully covers all your personal requirements including pre-existing medical conditions, cancellation charges, medical expenses, and repatriation in the event of accident or illness. If you choose to travel without adequate insurance cover, we will not be liable for any losses howsoever arising, in respect of which insurance cover would otherwise have been available. Please read your policy details carefully and take them with you on holiday. It is your responsibility to ensure that the insurance cover you purchase is suitable and adequate for your needs.

We do not check insurance policies.

## **5. Force Majeure**

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these Booking Conditions we will not be liable or pay you compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by "Force Majeure". For the purposes of these Booking Conditions, Force Majeure means any event beyond our or our supplier's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken. Examples include warfare and acts of terrorism (and threat thereof), civil strife, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods,

earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination or remain at the travel destination, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, labour strikes, lock closure, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster, unavoidable technical problems with transport and all similar events outside our or the supplier(s) concern's control.

Brexit Implications: please note that certain travel arrangements may be affected as a result of the United Kingdom's decision to leave the European Union. This could include an unavailability of certain flight routes, access to certain ports and airports and changes to the visa requirements of British citizens travelling to, within or through the EU. Please rest assured that this is something we will continue to monitor and will advise our customers as soon as possible if we become aware of any confirmed bookings that will be affected. However, since this is something which is completely unprecedented and outside our control, we would treat any such changes as Force Majeure, and whilst we will endeavour to provide suitable alternative arrangements or refunds where possible, we will not be liable to pay you any compensation.

## **6. Special Requests**

Any special requests must be advised to us at the time of booking e.g. diet, room location, a particular facility at a hotel etc. You should then confirm your requests in writing. Whilst every effort will be made by us to try and arrange your reasonable special requests, we cannot guarantee that they will be fulfilled. The fact that a special request has been noted on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation or that it has been passed on to the supplier is not confirmation that the request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part unless the request has been specifically confirmed by us. We do not accept bookings that are conditional upon any special request being met.

## **7. Delays, Missed Transport Arrangements, and other Travel Information**

If you or any member of your party misses your flight or other transport arrangement, it is cancelled or you are subject to a delay of over 3 hours for any reason, you must contact us and the airline or other transport supplier concerned immediately.

Under UK Law, you have rights in some circumstances to refunds and/or compensation from the airline in cases of denied boarding, cancellation, or delay to flights. Full details of these rights will be publicised at UK airports and will also be available from airlines. If the airline does not comply with these rules you should complain to the Civil Aviation Authority at [www.caa.co.uk/passengers](http://www.caa.co.uk/passengers). Reimbursement in such cases is the responsibility of the airline and will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your holiday price from us. If, for any reason, you do not claim against the airline and make a claim for compensation from us, you must, at the time of payment of any compensation to you, make a complete assignment to us of the rights you have against the airline in relation to the claim that gives rise to that compensation payment. A delay or cancellation to your flight does not automatically entitle you to cancel any other arrangements even where those arrangements have been made in conjunction with your flight.

We cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in clause 5 of these Booking Conditions (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on any flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time).

The carrier(s), flight timings and types of aircraft shown in this brochure or on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. We shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of it. The latest flight timings will be shown on your tickets which will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. You should check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. If flight times change after tickets have been dispatched, we will contact you as soon as we can to let you know.

Please note the existence of a "UK Air Safety list" (available for inspection at <https://www.caa.co.uk/Commercial-industry/Airlines/Licensing/Requirements-and-guidance/Third-Country-Operator-Certificates/>) detailing air carriers that are subject to an operating ban within the UK.

This brochure is our responsibility, as your tour operator. It is not issued on behalf of, and does not commit the airlines mentioned herein or any airline whose services are used in the course of your travel arrangements.

## **8. Advance Passenger Information**

A number of Governments are introducing new requirements for air carriers to provide personal information about all travellers on their aircraft to the Authorities before the aircraft leaves the UK. The data will be collected either at the airport when you check in or in some circumstances when, or after you make your booking. Accordingly, you are advised to allow extra time to check in for your flight. Where we collect this data, we will treat it in accordance with our privacy policy.

## **9. Disabilities and Medical Problems**

We are not a specialist disabled holiday company, but we will do our utmost to cater for any special requirements you may have. If you or any member of your party has any medical problem or disability which may affect your booking, please provide us with full details before you make your booking so that we can try to advise you as to the suitability of your chosen arrangements. We may require you to produce a doctor's certificate certifying that you are fit to participate. Acting reasonably, if we are unable to properly accommodate the needs of the person(s) concerned, we will not confirm your booking or if you did not give us full details at the time of booking, we will cancel it and impose applicable cancellation charges when we become aware of these details.

## **10. Entry Passport, Visa and Immigration Requirements & Health Formalities**

It is your responsibility to check and fulfil the entry, passport, visa, health, and immigration requirements applicable to your itinerary. If you or any member of your party is 16 or over and haven't yet got a passport, our recommendation is that you should apply for one at least 6 weeks before your arrangements. We can only provide general information about this. You must check requirements for your own specific circumstances with the relevant Embassies and/or Consulates and your own doctor as applicable. Requirements do change and you must check the up-to-date position in good time before departure.

Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the British Passport Office on 0870 5210410 or the Irish Passport Office 00353 1 671 1633 visit <https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship/passports> or <https://www.dfa.ie/passports>

Special conditions apply for travel to the USA, and all passengers must have individual machine-readable passports. Please check <https://uk.usembassy.gov>.

For European travel you should obtain a UK Global Health Insurance Card (UK GHIC) prior to departure unless you are able to rely upon an existing European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).

For travel to Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland, UK GHIC and EHIC cannot be used for medical treatment. Passengers to these destinations should obtain comprehensive medical insurance prior to departure, including cover for emergency medical treatment and associated costs.

Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, visit <https://www.gov.uk/travelaware>. and Department of Foreign Affairs, visit <https://www.dfa.ie>

**Non British/Irish passport holders**, including other EU nationals, should obtain up to date advice on entry, passport, visa, health and immigration requirements from the Embassy, High Commission or Consulate of your destination or country(ies) through which you are travelling,

We do not accept any responsibility if you cannot travel or incur any other loss because you have not complied with any entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities. You agree to

reimburse us in relation to any fines or other losses which we incur because of your failure to comply with any entry passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities.

**Please note: The impacts of Brexit may change your visa, ticket, and health requirements. Third country nationals may require an airport transit visa when passing through EU Member States. There is the potential for disruption at borders when travelling between the UK and EU Member States and you should allow sufficient time for this when planning any onward travel. You should check any impacts of Brexit on your travel, in advance of your departure, to ensure that you fulfil the requirements post-Brexit, including any passport validity requirements. The UK Government passport checker can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/check-a-passport-travel-europe>.**

#### **11. Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Advice**

You are responsible for making yourself aware of Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) advice regarding the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling and to make your decisions accordingly. Advice from the FCDO to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure. (See clause 5).

#### **12. Your Behaviour**

All our customers are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and acceptable manner and not to disrupt the enjoyment of others. If in our opinion or in the opinion of any hotel manager or any other person in authority, your behavior or that of any member of your party is causing or is likely to cause distress, danger or annoyance to any other customers or any third party, or damage to property, or to cause a delay or diversion to transportation, we reserve the right to terminate your booking with us immediately. In the event of such termination our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave your accommodation or other arrangements immediately. We will have no further obligations to you and/or your party. No refunds for lost accommodation or any other arrangements will be made, and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of termination. You and/or your party may also be required to pay for loss and/or damage caused by your actions, and we will hold you and each member of your party jointly and individually liable for any damage or losses caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or losses must be paid directly to the hotel manager or other supplier prior to departure. If you fail to make payment, you will be responsible for meeting any claims (including legal costs) subsequently made against us because of your actions together with all costs we incur in pursuing any claim against you.

We cannot be held responsible for the actions or behavior of other guests or individuals who have no connection with your booking arrangements or with us.

#### **13. Complaints**

We make every effort to ensure that your holiday arrangements run smoothly but if you do have a problem during your holiday, please inform the relevant supplier (e.g. your hotelier or your airline) immediately who will endeavour to put things right. If your complaint is not resolved locally, please contact the emergency contact shown on your paperwork

If the problem cannot be resolved and you wish to complain further, you must send formal written notice of your complaint to us at our office, ideally within 28 days of the end of your stay, giving your booking reference and all other relevant information. Please keep your letter concise and to the point. This will assist us to quickly identify your concerns and speed up our response to you. Failure to follow the procedure set out in this clause may affect ours and the applicable supplier's ability to investigate your complaint and will affect your rights under this contract.

#### **14. Insolvency Protection**

## **UK Residents**

We provide financial security for flight-inclusive packages and ATOL protected flights by way of our Air Travel Organiser's Licence number 9078 issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 103 6350, email: [claims@caa.co.uk](mailto:claims@caa.co.uk).

When you buy an ATOL protected product from us you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong. For further information, visit the ATOL website at [www.atol.org.uk](http://www.atol.org.uk). The price of our flight inclusive arrangements includes the amount of £2.50 per person as part of the ATOL Protection Contribution (APC) we pay to the CAA. This charge is included in our advertised prices. Not all holiday or travel services offered and sold by us will be protected by the ATOL Scheme. ATOL protection extends primarily to customers who book and pay in the United Kingdom.

We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with the services you have bought (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL Scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable).

If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme.

We provide full financial protection for our package holidays which don't include flights, by way of client trust account administered by an independent trustee.

If you book arrangements other than package holiday from us, your monies will not be financially protected. Please ask us for further details.

### **15. Jurisdiction and Applicable Law**

These Booking Conditions and any agreement to which they apply are governed in all respects by Northern Irish law. We both agree that any dispute, claim or other matter which arises between us out of or in connection with your contract or booking will be dealt with by the Courts of Northern Ireland only. You may, however, choose the law and jurisdiction of England/Wales or Scotland if you live in those places and if you wish to do so.

### **16. Conditions of Suppliers**

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions which will form part of your contract with us. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions. Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from us or the supplier concerned.

### **17. Excursions**

Excursions or other tours that you may choose to book or pay for whilst you are on holiday are not part of your contracted arrangements with us. For any excursion or other tour that you book, your contract will be with the operator of the excursion or tour and not with us. We are not responsible for the provision of the excursion or tour or for anything that happens during its provision by the operator.

#### **18. Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Advice**

You are responsible for making yourself aware of Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) advice regarding the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling and to make your decisions accordingly. Advice from the FCDO to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure. (See clause 5).

#### **19. Discount codes**

Please note discount codes cannot be used in conjunction with any other offers or discounts.

### **SECTION B: APPLICABLE TO PACKAGE BOOKINGS**

**This section only applies to Packages booked with us, where we are acting as the Package Organiser (please see clause 20 for further details of when this will be the case). Please read this section in conjunction with Section A of these Booking Conditions.**

#### **20. Definition of a Package**

Where your booking is for a Package holiday that we have organised, as defined below, we will act as a "Package Organiser" and you will receive the rights and benefits under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018 ("PTRs"), as outlined in this Section B of our Booking Terms and Conditions.

A "Package" exists if you book a combination of at least two different types of the following separate travel services, for the purpose of the same trip or holiday:

- (a) transport; or
- (b) accommodation; or
- (c) rental of cars, motor vehicles or motorcycles (in certain circumstances); and
- (d) any other tourist service not intrinsically part of one of the above travel services,

*provided that* those travel services are purchased together from a single visit to our website and selected by you before you agree to pay; or are advertised, sold, or charged at an inclusive or total price; or advertised or sold under the term "package" or a similar term.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** where you have made a booking which consists of not more than one type of travel service as listed at (a) – (c) above, combined with one or more tourist services as listed at (d) above, this will not create a Package where the tourist services:

- do not account for 25% of the value of the combination and are not advertised as, and do not otherwise represent, an essential feature of the package; or
- are selected and purchased after the performance of the transport, accommodation or car rental has started.

These bookings will be treated as "single service" bookings and will not be afforded the benefit of the rights under the PTRs. Please see Section C of these Booking Terms & Conditions for the terms applicable to such arrangements.

#### **21. Package Pricing**

**We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays. We also reserve the right to increase the price of confirmed holidays solely to allow for increases which are a direct consequence of changes in:**

- I. the price of the carriage of passengers resulting from the cost of fuel or other power sources.
- II. the level of taxes or fees chargeable for services applicable to the holiday imposed by third parties not directly involved in the performance of the holiday, including tourist taxes, landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports; and
- III. the exchange rates relevant to the package.

Such variations could include but are not limited to airline cost changes which are part of our contracts with airlines (and their agents), cruise ship operators and any other transport providers.

You will be charged for any increase in accordance with this clause. However, if this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your confirmed holiday (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if we are able to offer one (if this is of lower quality you will be refunded the difference in price), or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid to us, except for any insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. Should you decide to cancel for this reason, you must exercise your right to do so within 7 days from the issue date printed on your final invoice. We will consider an appropriate refund of insurance premiums paid if you can show that you are unable to transfer or reuse your policy.

Should the price of your holiday go down due to the changes mentioned above, then any refund due will be paid to you less an administrative fee of £25. However, please note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some apparent changes have no impact on the price of your travel due to contractual and other protection in place.

There will be no change made to the price of your confirmed holiday within 20 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

## **22. Cutting your holiday short**

If you are forced to return home early, we cannot refund the cost of any travel arrangements you have not used. If you cut short your holiday and return home early in circumstances where you have no reasonable cause for complaint about the standard of accommodation and services provided, we will not offer you any refund for that part of your holiday not completed or be liable for any associated costs you may incur. Depending on the circumstances, your travel insurance may offer cover for curtailment, and we suggest that any claim is made directly with them.

## **23. If You Change Your Booking & Transfers of Bookings**

If you wish to change any part of your booking after our confirmation invoice has been issued, you must inform us in writing as soon as possible. This should be done by the first named person on the booking. Whilst we will do our best to assist, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to meet your requested change. Where we can meet a request, all changes will be subject to payment of an administration fee of £50 per person per change, as well as any costs and charges incurred by us and/or incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers in making this change. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made, and you should contact us as soon as possible. Where we are unable to assist you and you do not wish to proceed with the original booking, we will treat this as a cancellation by you. A cancellation fee may be payable in accordance with clause 24.

### Transfer of Booking:

If you or any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person(s) may transfer their place to someone else, subject to the following conditions:

- a. that person is introduced by you and satisfies all the conditions applicable to the holiday.
- b. we are notified not less than 7 days before departure.
- c. you pay any outstanding balance payment, an amendment fee of £50 per person transferring, as well as any additional fees, charges or other costs arising from the transfer; and



- d. the transferee agrees to these booking conditions and all other terms of the contract between us.

You and the transferee remain jointly and severally liable for payment of all sums. If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out in clause 24 will apply to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.

**Important Note: Certain arrangements (such as, without limitations, flights) may not be amended or transferred after they have been confirmed and any alteration could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements.**

#### **24. If You Cancel Your Booking Before Departure**

If you or any other member of your party decides to cancel your confirmed booking you must notify us in writing. Your notice of cancellation will only take effect when it is received in writing by us at our offices and will be effective from the date on which we receive it.

Should one or more member of a party cancel, it may increase the per person holiday price of those still travelling and you will be liable to pay this increase.

Since we incur costs in cancelling your arrangements, you will have to pay the cancellation charges as follows:

##### **All package Holidays (other than those stated below)**

<b>Period before departure in which you notify us</b>	<b>Cancellation Charge</b>
More than 56 days	Deposit only
More than 29 days but less than 56 days	30% of holiday or booking cost
More than 15 days but less than 29 days	50% of holiday or booking cost
More than 7 days but less than 15 days	80% of holiday or booking cost
Less than 7 days	100% of holiday or booking cost

##### **Worldwide packages (excluding American package holidays)**

<b>Period before departure in which you notify us</b>	<b>Cancellation Charge</b>
More than 84 days	Deposit only
More than 55 days but less than 84 days	50% of holiday or booking cost
More than 43 days but less than 55 days	75% of holiday or booking cost
Less than 43 days	100% of holiday or booking cost

##### **American package holidays**

<b>Period before departure in which you notify us</b>	<b>Cancellation Charge</b>
More than 84 days	Deposit only
More than 55 days but less than 84 days	50% of holiday or booking cost
More than 43 days but less than 55 days	75% of holiday or booking cost
Less than 43 days	100% of holiday or booking cost

##### **Cruise Packages;**

Period before departure in which you notify us	Cancellation Charge
More than 98 days	Deposit only
Less than 98 days	Please call customer care team as cancellation charges will vary (depending on individual booking elements T&C's). This information will be provided to you before your booking.

Please note that insurance premiums and amendments charges are not refundable in any circumstances.

**Important Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any alteration or cancellation could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements in addition to the charge above.**

If the reason for your cancellation is covered under the terms of your insurance policy, you may be able to reclaim these charges.

Where possible, we will deduct the cancellation charge(s) from any monies you have already paid to us.

**Cancellation by You due to Unavoidable & Extraordinary Circumstances:**

You have the right to cancel your confirmed holiday before departure without paying a cancellation charge in the event of “unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” occurring at your holiday destination or its immediate vicinity and significantly affecting the performance of the holiday or significantly affecting the transport arrangements to the destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any additional compensation. Please note that your right to cancel in these circumstances will only apply where the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office advises against travel to your destination or its immediate vicinity. For the purposes of this clause, “unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” means warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination.

This clause 24 outlines the rights you have if you wish to cancel your booking. Please note that there is no automatic statutory right of cancellation under the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013.

**25. If We Change or Cancel**

As we plan your holiday arrangements many months in advance, we may occasionally have to make changes or cancel your booking and we reserve the right to do so at any time.

Changes: If we make a minor change to your holiday, we will make reasonable efforts to inform you or your travel agent as soon as reasonably possible if there is time before your departure, but we will have no liability to you. Examples of minor changes include alteration of your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same or higher standard, changes of carriers. Please note that carriers such as airlines used in the brochure may be subject to change.

Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements. Examples of “significant changes” include the following, when made before departure:

- (a) A change of accommodation area for the whole or a significant part of your time away.
- (b) A change of accommodation to that of a lower standard or classification for the whole or a significant part of your time away.
- (c) A change of outward departure time or overall length of your arrangements by more than 12 hours.
- (d) A change of UK departure airport except between:
  - I. The London airports: Gatwick, Heathrow, Luton, Stansted, London City and Southend
  - II. The South Coast airports: Southampton, Bournemouth, and Exeter
  - III. The Southwestern airports: Cardiff and Bristol

- IV. The Midlands airports: Birmingham, East Midlands, and Doncaster Sheffield
- V. The Northern airports: Liverpool, Manchester, and Leeds Bradford
- VI. The North eastern airports: Newcastle and Teesside
- VII. The Scottish airports: Edinburgh, Glasgow, Prestwick and Aberdeen
- VIII. Northern Ireland airports: Belfast International, Belfast City, City of Derry.

(e) A significant change to your itinerary, missing out one or more destination entirely.

**Cancellation:** We will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 60 days before your departure date, except for reasons of *force majeure* or failure by you to pay the final balance. We may cancel your holiday before this date if, e.g., the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached.

If we must make a significant change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of:

- i (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements; or
- ii having a refund of all monies paid; or
- iii if available and where we offer one, accepting an offer of an alternative holiday (we will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value).

You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of our offer. If we do not hear from you within 7 days, we will contact you again to request notification of your choice. If you fail to respond again, we will assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

**Insurance** If we cancel or make a significant change and you accept a refund, we will provide a full refund of your travel insurance premiums if you paid them to us and can show that you are unable to transfer or reuse your policy.

**Compensation**

In addition to a full refund of all monies paid by you, we will pay you compensation as detailed below, in the following circumstances:

- (a) If, where we make a significant change, you do not accept the changed arrangements and cancel your booking.
- (b) If we cancel your booking and no alternative arrangements are available and/or we do not offer one.

The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

<b>Period before departure in which we notify you</b>	<b>Amount you will receive from us*</b>
More than 28 days	£Nil...
More than 14 days and less than 28 days	£5.00
Less than 14 days	£10.00

\*IMPORTANT NOTE: We will not pay you compensation in the following circumstances:

- (a) where we make a minor change.
- (b) where we make a significant change or cancel your arrangements more than 60 days before departure.
- (c) where we make a significant change, and you accept those changed arrangements or you accept an offer of alternative travel arrangements.
- (d) where we must cancel your arrangements because of your failure to make full payment on time.
- (e) where the change or cancellation by us arises out of alterations to the confirmed booking requested by you.
- (f) where we are forced to cancel or change your arrangements due to Force Majeure (see clause 5).

If we become unable to provide a significant proportion of the arrangements that you have booked with us after you have departed, we will, if possible, make alternative arrangements for you at no extra charge and where those alternative arrangements are of a lower standard, provide you with an appropriate price reduction.

## 26. Our Responsibilities

- (1) We will accept responsibility for the arrangements we agree to provide or arrange for you as an “organiser” under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, as set out below and as such, we are responsible for the proper provision of the travel services specifically included in your package, as set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking. Please note that we shall not be responsible for any additional services provided to you, whether provided by the travel service providers or otherwise, which are not set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking.
- (2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any personal injury or death unless you are able to prove that it was caused by our negligence or the negligence of our suppliers.
- (3) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, cost, or other claim of any description if it results from:
  - (a) the acts and/or omissions of the person affected; or
  - (b) the acts and/or omissions of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable; or
  - (c) Force Majeure (as defined in clause 5).
- (4) We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause:**
  - (a) loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money:** the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is an amount equivalent to the excess on your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind.
  - (b) Claims not falling under (a) above and which don't involve injury, illness, or death:** the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is up to three times the price paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong, and you or your party has not received any benefit at all from your booking.
  - (c) Claims in respect of international travel by air, sea and rail, or any stay in a hotel:**
    - i) The extent of our liability will in all cases be limited as if we were carriers under the appropriate Conventions, which include The Warsaw/Montreal Convention (international travel by air); The Athens Convention (with respect to sea travel); The Berne/Cotif Convention (with respect to rail travel) and The Paris Convention (with respect to hotel arrangements). You can ask for copies of these Conventions from our offices. Please contact us. In addition, you agree that the operating carrier or transport company's own 'Conditions of Carriage' will apply to you on that journey. When arranging transportation for you, we rely on the terms and conditions contained within these international conventions and those 'Conditions of Carriage'. You acknowledge that all the terms and conditions contained in those 'Conditions of Carriage' form part of your contract with us, as well as with the transport company and that those 'Conditions of Carriage' shall be deemed to be included by reference into this contract.
    - ii) In any circumstances in which a carrier is liable to you by virtue of EC 261/2004 (denied boarding and flight disruption), any liability we may have to you under our contract with you, arising out of the same facts, is limited to the remedies provided under the Regulation as if (for this purpose only) we were a carrier.
    - iii) When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the transport provider or hotelier for the complaint or claim in question.
- (5) Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers negligently perform or arrange those services set out in the confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to

booking and we don't remedy or resolve your complaint within a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package holiday you may be entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both. **You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in this package.** The level of any such price reduction or compensation in respect of any claim for damages or compensation whatsoever will be calculated taking into consideration all relevant factors such as but not limited to: following the complaints procedure as described in these Booking Conditions and the extent to which ours or our employees' or suppliers' negligence affected the overall enjoyment of your holiday. Please note that it is your responsibility to show that we or our supplier(s) have been negligent if you wish to make a claim against us

- (6) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to us and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaint's procedure set out in these conditions.
- (7) Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to us or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.
- (8) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any description:
  - (a) which based on the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you.
  - (b) relate to any business.
  - (c) indirect or consequential loss of any kind.
- (9) We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agreement or where they are not advertised in our brochure. For example, any excursion you book whilst away, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.
- (10) Where it is impossible for you to return to your departure point as per the agreed return date of your package, due to "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances", we shall provide you with any necessary accommodation (where possible, of a comparable standard) for a period not exceeding three nights per person. Please note that the 3-night cap does not apply to persons with reduced mobility, pregnant women or unaccompanied minors, nor to persons needing specific medical assistance, provided we have been notified of these particular needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" mean warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely back to your departure point

## **27. Prompt Assistance**

If, whilst you are on holiday, you find yourself in difficulty for any reason, we will offer you such prompt assistance as is appropriate in the circumstances. We will provide you with appropriate information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance, and assistance with distance communications and finding alternative travel arrangements. Where you require assistance which is not owing to any failure by us, our employees, or sub-contractors we will not be liable for the costs of any alternative travel arrangements or other such assistance you require. Any supplier, airline or other transport supplier may however pay for or provide refreshments and/or appropriate accommodation and you should make a claim directly to them. Subject to the other terms of these Booking Conditions, we will not be liable for any costs, fees, or charges you incur in the above circumstances if you fail to obtain our prior authorisation before making your own travel arrangements. Furthermore, we reserve the right to charge you a fee for our assistance if the difficulty is caused intentionally by you or a member of your party, or otherwise through your or your party's negligence.

**SECTION C:  
APPLICABLE TO FLIGHT ONLY, PRINCIPAL BOOKINGS**

**This section applies to all ‘flight only’ bookings that you make with us when we are acting in a principal capacity. Please read this section in conjunction with Section A of these Booking Conditions.**

**28. If You Change or Cancel your ‘flight only’ Booking**

**Changes:**

If you wish to change any part of your booking after our confirmation invoice/confirmation statement and or flight ticket has been issued, the first named person on the booking must make the request in writing to the relevant travel agent they made a booking through (in the first instance) or to us at [enquiries@travel-solutions.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@travel-solutions.co.uk) . Whilst we will do our best to assist, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to meet your requested change. Where we can meet a request, all changes will be subject to payment of an administration fee per person per change (our administration fee is typically between £25.00 and £50.00, as well as any costs and charges incurred by us and/or incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers in making this change. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made, and you should contact us as soon as possible. Where we are unable to assist you and you do not wish to proceed with the original booking, we will treat this as a cancellation by you.

**Special Note: The majority of ‘flight only’ bookings are not changeable after confirmation and any alteration may result in a cancellation charge of 100% in addition to the charges above.**

**Cancellations:**

Your notice of cancellation will only take effect when it is received by us in writing and will be effective from the date on which it is received. Should one or more member of a party cancel, it may increase the per person holiday price of those still travelling and you will be liable to pay this increase.

Since we incur costs in cancelling your arrangements, you will have to pay either cancellation charges as set out below or 100% of the cost of the flight as required by the supplier.

<b>Period before departure date within which written notification is received at our offices</b>	<b>Cancellation Charge</b>
More than 84 days	Deposit only
More than 0 days but less than 83 days	100% of holiday or booking cost

**Most flight only bookings may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any cancellation could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% in addition to the charges above.**

**29. If We Change or Cancel Your ‘Flight only’ Booking**

We may in certain circumstances be required to cancel your booking in which case a full refund of all monies paid will be made to you. We regret we cannot meet any expenses or losses that you may incur because of change or cancellation. Very rarely, we may be forced by Events Beyond Our Control (see clause 5) to change or cancel your travel service(s) after departure. If this situation does occur, we regret we will be unable to pay you compensation or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result.

### 30. Complaints

Please refer to clause 13 for details of the procedure to follow, if you have any problems during the performance of your booking.

### 31. Our Responsibilities for your 'flight only' Booking

- (1) Subject to the remainder of this clause, we have a duty to select the suppliers of the services making up your booking with us with reasonable skill and care. We have no liability to you for the actual provision of the services, except in cases where it is proved that we have breached that duty and damage to you has been caused. Therefore, providing we have selected the suppliers/subcontractors with reasonable skill and care, we will have no liability to you for anything that happens during the service in question or any acts or omissions of the supplier, its employees, or agents.
- (2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, cost or other claim of any description if it results from:
  - (a) the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected; or
  - (b) the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable; or
  - (c) unusual or unforeseeable circumstances beyond ours or our supplier(s) control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised; or
  - (d) an event which either we or suppliers could not, even with all due care, have foreseen or forestalled.
- (3) **We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause for:**
  - (a) **loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money:** the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is an amount equivalent to the excess on your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind.
  - (b) **claims not falling under (a) above and which don't involve injury, illness, or death:** the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is twice the price paid by you in total. This maximum will only be payable where everything has gone wrong, and you have not received any benefit at all from your booking.
- (4) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to ourselves and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaint's procedure set out in these conditions.
- (5) Where any payment is made, the person(s) availability (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to ourselves or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.
- (6) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss of expense or other sum(s) of any description:
  - (a) which based on the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you: or
  - (b) relate to any business.
- (7) We will only be responsible for the services set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking. We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agreement or where they are not advertised in our brochure. For example, any excursion you book whilst away, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.

### 32. Financial Protection

If you book 'flight only' arrangements with us in a way that we are not required other than ATOL protected flights where we are acting as principals in respect of such bookings, your monies will not be financially protected. Please ask us for further details.

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