

INTERSKI SCHOOL TRIPS BOOKING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

These Booking Conditions, together with our privacy policy and where your trip 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 Inter School Travel Ltd with registered office 8 Acorn Business Park, Commercial Gate, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, NG18 1EX and company number 00979341 ("**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 individual who is travelling 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. References to "**school**" can include the school, college, university or other educational establishment that are handling your booking with us.

By making a booking, you agree that:

- a. you have read these Booking Conditions and agree to be bound by them;
- b. you consent to our use of personal data in accordance with our Privacy Policy and you agree to disclose your personal details to us, including where applicable special categories of data (such as information on health conditions or disabilities and dietary requirements);
- c. you are over 18 years of age and resident in the United Kingdom and where/when placing an order for services with age restrictions declare that you are of the appropriate age to purchase those services (unless, where applicable, the parent / guardian has completed the Under 18 Parent / Guardian Guarantee);
- d. you accept financial responsibility for payment of the booking.

Please note that whilst the contract for the provision of your trip is with us, your school is considered to be acting as our agent for your booking. Any communications or questions you may have should be addressed to the trip leader at your school in the first instance.

1. Booking & Paying For Your Arrangements

A booking is made with us when you pay us (via your school) an initial deposit (or full payment if you are booking within 70 days of departure) and we issue you with a booking confirmation. 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 a booking confirmation that will confirm the details of your booking and will be sent to you or your school. If your confirmed arrangements include a flight, we (or if you booked via an authorised agent of ours, that agent – please note, your school is considered to be acting as our agent for such purposes) will also issue you with an ATOL Certificate. **Please note:** it is the responsibility of your school, acting as our agent, to check for any inaccuracies on the ATOL Certificate or booking confirmation or any other document.

An interim deposit is due 8 weeks following your confirmed booking date and an invoice for this will be raised at the same time as your initial deposit invoice. At our discretion, we may not ask you for an interim deposit if it falls due near to your balance due date.

The balance of the cost of your arrangements (including any applicable surcharge) is due not less than 70 days prior to scheduled departure. 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 our normal cancellation policy will apply. Please see section 8 below.

Any money paid to an authorised agent of ours in respect of a booking covered by our ATOL (including your school) 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 in our marketing materials 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. Insurance

Insurance is included as part of your Interski package, providing you are a UK resident and UK passport holder. For the avoidance of doubt, insurance is not included for anyone resident outside of the UK, regardless of nationality. Policy details are available from your trip leader on request. It is important that you carefully read the full policy and any other associated information in respect of insurance.

If due to nationality, residential status or choice, insurance is not included with your package, it is still a condition of your contract to have adequate insurance cover in place from a reputable provider, either independently or through your school – please speak to your trip leader to ensure arrangements have been made. 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. It remains your responsibility to inform your insurer of any pre-existing medical conditions which may affect your cover. In particular, we strongly recommend you carefully consider the cover you require for any Covid-19 related issues that may affect your booking and satisfy yourself that the policy you choose meets all of your requirements. We are not responsible for checking the suitability of your policy.

Travel without adequate insurance cover is a breach of these terms and conditions and we will not be liable for any losses howsoever arising.

4. Pricing

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold trips at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed trips. We also reserve the right to increase the price of confirmed trips 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 trip imposed by third parties not directly involved in the performance of the trip, 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.

We will absorb and you will not be charged for any increase equivalent to 2% of the price of your travel arrangements, which excludes insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. You will be charged for the amount over and above that.

However, if this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your confirmed trip (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the option of accepting a transfer to another trip 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 trip 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 trip within 21 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

5. Jurisdiction and Applicable Law

These Booking Conditions and any agreement to which they apply are governed in all respects by English 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 England and Wales only. You may however, choose the law and jurisdiction of Scotland or Northern Ireland if you live in those places and if you wish to do so.

6. Cutting your trip short

If you are forced to return home early, for reasons which are not related to us or the services provided under the booking, we cannot refund the cost of any travel arrangements you have not used. If you cut short your trip 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 trip 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.

7. Piste Closure Guarantee

Whilst all resorts featured on our website and in any other advertising materials have excellent snow records, we cannot guarantee snow or that skiing will be possible as even glacial ski areas can close due to adverse weather/snow conditions. We do not accept responsibility for this, or the possibility of not being able to ski as both are risks that you must accept when booking with us. In the event that all ski lifts in the resort/chosen ski area are closed for a whole day for any reason due to adverse weather/snow conditions, please check the cover of your insurance policy.

8. Snowboarding

Snowboarding can only be offered where your school is able to create a minimum group of between 6 and 8 participants, all of whom must be of similar ability. Thereafter, we can only offer snowboarding in further multiples on the same basis, i.e. each group is independent with between 6 and 8 participants of a similar ability. All participants must pay a snowboarding supplement (ask for details of current price). If you book on to your school trip as a snowboarder and the school is unable to meet these conditions, you will be offered the option to alter your package to skiing and any snowboard supplement will no longer be due. Alternatively, at our discretion, you will be given the option to cancel your place on the trip and offered a refund of any deposit(s) paid. Any reduction in paying passengers may affect the provision of any offers, including free places as well as the overall viability of the trip. No compensation will be due to you, or the school, should you cancel your place owing to the school failing to meet the criteria in this section.

9. Ski Clothing Rental

Your school may have also chosen to order rental ski clothing from us. In some resorts, this will be delivered directly to your hotel, ready for you when you arrive. In other resorts, this will be delivered to the school prior to your departure. The rental of ski clothing and purchase of ski accessories are governed by separate terms and conditions.

10. If You Change Your Booking & Transfers of Bookings

If you wish to change any part of your booking after our booking confirmation has been issued, you must inform your school in writing (for the avoidance of doubt, this can include email) as soon as possible. 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 £25 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 your school 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 10.

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. your school (through the trip leader) approves of the transfer
- b. that person is introduced by you and satisfies all the conditions applicable to the trip;
- c. we are notified not less than 7 days before departure;
- d. you pay any outstanding balance payment, an amendment fee of £25 per person transferring, as well as any additional fees, charges or other costs arising from the transfer; and
- e. 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 10 will apply in order to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.

Important Note: Certain arrangements 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.

11. If You Cancel Your Booking Before Departure

If you decide to cancel your confirmed booking you must notify your school in writing (which can include email). 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.

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

Period before departure in which you notify us	Cancellation Charge
More than 70 days	Initial and interim deposits only
35– 70 days before departure	50% of the total trip cost
34 - 14 days before departure	75% of the total trip cost
Less than 14 days	100% of the total trip cost

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 trip before departure without paying a cancellation charge in the event of “unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” occurring at your trip destination or its immediate vicinity and significantly affecting the performance of the trip 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 10 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 (Directive 2011/83/EU).

12. If We Change or Cancel

As we plan your trip 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 trip, 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 are but are not limited to 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, a change of ski resort. 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 to that of a lower standard or classification for the whole or a significant part of your time away.
- (b) A change of outward departure time or overall length of your arrangements by more than 12 hours.
- (c) 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 South Western 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
- (d) A significant change to your itinerary, missing out one or more destinations entirely.

Cancellation: We will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 70 days before your departure date, except for reasons of *force majeure* or failure by you to pay the final balance. We may cancel your trip before this date if, e.g., the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached.

If we have to 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 trip (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 your trip or make a significant change to your trip and as a consequence you choose to cancel and accept a refund, the refund will include any travel insurance premiums you paid to us as part of the package.

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.

Period before departure in which we notify you	Amount you will receive from us*
More than 70 days	£ nil
28 – 70 days before departure	£10 per person
14 - 28 days before departure	£20 per person
Less than 14 days	£30 per person

*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 70 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 have to cancel your arrangements as a result 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 12).

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.

13. 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 but are not limited to warfare and acts of terrorism (and threat thereof), civil strife, significant risks to human health such as epidemics, pandemics (including the ongoing effects of Covid-19), 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) concerned'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.

14. Special Requests

Any special requests must be advised to us by your school at the time of booking e.g. diet, room location, a particular facility at a hotel etc. You should then confirm your requests to your school, who will pass these requests on to us via the relevant area on our website, <https://www.interski.co.uk/>. 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 in writing to the school. We do not accept bookings that are conditional upon any special request being met.

15. Disabilities and Medical Problems

We are not a specialist disabled trip 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.

16. Complaints

We make every effort to ensure that your trip arrangements run smoothly but if you do have a problem during your trip, please inform your Interski representative or the relevant supplier (e.g. your hotelier) immediately who will endeavour to put things right.

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, within 28 days of the end of your stay, giving your booking reference number 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.

Please note that we offer an Alternative Dispute Resolution service through our ABTA membership. Please see clause 26 for further details.

17. 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 behaviour 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 will cease and you will be required to leave your accommodation or other arrangements immediately and it will be the parent/guardian's responsibility to make arrangements and pay for your repatriation. We will have no further obligations to you. 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 may also be required to pay for loss and/or damage caused by your actions and we will hold you individually liable for any damage or losses caused by you. 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 as a result of your actions together with all costs we incur in pursuing any claim against you.

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

18. 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 all travel services included in your package, as set out in your confirmation invoice. Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers negligently perform or arrange those services and we don't remedy or resolve your complaint within a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package trip 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 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 trip. 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.

- (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 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 12).

(3) 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 of 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.

(4) 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 complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

(5) 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.

(6) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any description:

- (a) which on the basis of 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.

- (7) 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 or other marketing materials. 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.
- (8) 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 trip. 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.

19. Excursions

Excursions or other tours that you may choose to book or pay for whilst you are on your trip 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 the course of its provision by the operator.

20. Insolvency Protection

We provide financial security for flight-inclusive packages and ATOL protected flights by way of our Air Travel Organiser’s Licence number 1409, issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, email: 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. 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 trip 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 and European Economic Area (EEA).

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, through the combination of a trust account and a repatriation insurance policy. All money you pay to us goes directly into a trust bank account and is not released to us until you have returned from your holiday. The trust is operated by an independent trustee, Travel Trust Services Ltd T/A Serenity Travel Trusts, Suite 2 Realtex House, Leeds Road, Rawdon, Leeds LS19 6AX, <https://serenitytrusts.co.uk>. You should contact Serenity Travel Trusts should an insolvency event occur before your travel arrangements have commenced.

Our repatriation insurance policy is provided by Evolution Insurance Company Limited 5/5 Crutchett's Ramp, Gibraltar GX11 1AA and administered by All Season Underwriting Agencies Limited, Alpi House, Suite 2, East Wing, 2nd Floor, Miles Gray Road, Basildon, Essex 2214 3HJ, <https://asua.co.uk>. You should contact All Seasons Underwriting Agencies Limited should an insolvency event occur during the course of your travel arrangements and you require assistance with repatriation.

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

21. Passport, Visa and Immigration Requirements & Health Formalities

It is your responsibility to check and fulfill the passport, visa, health and immigration requirements applicable to your itinerary. 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 Passport Office or visit <https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship/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 trips you should obtain a completed and issued form EHC or GHIC prior to departure.

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

Non British passport holders, including other EU nationals, should obtain up to date advice on passport and visa 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 passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities. You agree to reimburse us in relation to any fines or other losses which we incur as a result of your failure to comply with any passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities.

22. Conditions of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your trip 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.

23. Prompt Assistance

If, whilst you are on your trip, you find yourself in difficulty for any reason, we will offer you such prompt assistance as is appropriate and reasonable in the circumstances. In particular, 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 in the event that the difficulty is caused intentionally by you or a member of your party, or otherwise through your or your party's negligence.

24. 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 EU 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 EU 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. Reimbursement in such cases is the responsibility of the airline and will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your trip 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 12 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 our 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.

The website 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.

25. 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.

26. Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Advice

You are responsible for making yourself aware of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office advice in regard to the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling and to make your decisions accordingly. Advice from the Foreign Office to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure. (See clause 12). You should also consult any specific Home Nation requirements.

27. ABTA

We are a Member of ABTA, membership number V6114. We are obliged to maintain a high standard of service to you by ABTA's Code of Conduct. We can also offer you ABTA's scheme for the resolution of disputes which is approved by the Chartered Trading Standards Institute. If we can't resolve your complaint, go to www.abta.com to use ABTA's simple procedure. Further information on the Code and ABTA's assistance in resolving disputes can be found on www.abta.com.

27. Marketing and Promotional Materials

We may photograph or film elements of your trip for marketing and promotional purposes. In making your booking you grant us permission for us to use the rights of your image in video or still form. You understand that your image may be edited, copied, exhibited, published or distributed and waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein your likeness appears. You waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of your image. You also understand that this material may be used in marketing within an unrestricted geographic area.

Photographic, audio or video recordings or any other media will be used for marketing and promotional purposes only included but not limited to:

- Online/internet videos;
- Social media;
- Other marketing materials such as presentation and leaflets.

If you wish to opt out of filming/photography you must notify your school, who may use the function in the members' area of our website to inform us of this. You may withdraw your consent at any time. All personal data will be processed in accordance with our Privacy Policy.