

RAPID TRAVEL GROUP LIMITED – CUSTOMER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TRADING

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The Customer's attention is particularly drawn to the provisions of clause 8.

1. INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions. In these Conditions, the following definitions apply:

Travel Provider: the person or persons or other legal entity providing Travel Provider Services pursuant to a Travel Provider Contract procured on behalf of the Customer by the Supplier as the agent for and on behalf of the Customer pursuant to the Contract and subject to these Terms and Conditions.

Travel Provider Contract: a contract between the Customer and a Travel Provider for the provision of Travel Provider Services entered into by the Supplier as agent for the Customer as part of the Services pursuant to the Contract and subject to these Terms and Conditions.

Travel Provider Services: the provision of Passenger Transport, Events, Conferences, Accommodation or other similar types of services for the Customer and / or its employees, agents and / or others for or on behalf of the Customer.

Business Day: a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday) when banks in London are open for business.

Charges: the charges payable by the Customer for the supply of the Services in accordance with clause 5.

Commencement Date: has the meaning set out in clause 2.3.

Conditions: these terms and conditions as amended from time to time in accordance with clause 11.8.

Contract: a contract between the Supplier and the Customer for the supply of Services in accordance with these Conditions.

Customer: the person or firm who purchases Services from the Supplier pursuant to a Contract.

Intellectual Property Rights: all patents, rights to inventions, utility models, copyright and related rights, trade marks, service marks, trade, business and domain names, rights in trade dress or get-up, rights in goodwill or to sue for passing off, unfair competition rights, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database right, topography rights, moral rights, rights in confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and any other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications for and renewals or extensions of such rights, and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection in any part of the world.

Order: the Customer's order for Services however such order is delivered to the Supplier.

Services: the services, supplied by the Supplier to the Customer comprising the procurement of Travel Provider Services to be provided by an Travel Provider pursuant to an Travel Provider Contract entered into by the Supplier as agent for and on behalf of the Customer pursuant to an Order.

Supplier: RAPID TRAVEL GROUP LIMITED registered in England and Wales with company number 08074002 whose registered office is at Unit 8, Laceby Business Park, Grimsby, DN37 7DP.

1.2 **Construction:** In these Conditions, the following rules apply:

- (a) a **person** includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality);
- (b) a reference to a party includes its personal representatives, successors or permitted assigns;
- (c) a reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to such statute or statutory provision as amended or re-enacted. A reference to a statute or statutory provision includes any subordinate legislation made under that statute or statutory provision, as amended or re-enacted;
- (d) any phrase introduced by the terms **including, include, in particular** or any similar expression, shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms; and (e) subject to clause 11.3 (c) a reference to **writing** or **written** includes faxes and e-mails.

2. BASIS OF CONTRACT AND AGENCY

2.1 Each Order constitutes a separate offer by the Customer to purchase Services in accordance with these Conditions and to appoint the Supplier as its agent in connection with the procurement of the Travel Provider Services to which the Order relates.

2.2 The Customer will fully and effectively indemnify the Supplier on a full indemnity basis against any liabilities or losses which the Supplier may incur as a result of acting with reasonable care and skill within the scope of its authority under this agreement and as agent for the Customer such indemnity to extend but without limitation to all costs incurred by the Supplier with its professional advisers in resisting the application of any such liabilities or losses and in particular but again without limitation any liabilities or losses arising out of a Travel Provider Contract.

2.3 An Order shall only be deemed to be accepted when the Supplier issues written or other acceptance of the Order at which point and on which date a Contract shall come into existence (**Commencement Date**) in relation to the subject matter of that Order. Each Order if accepted by the Supplier will form a separate Contract. Each Contract will be subject to these Conditions.

2.4 Pursuant to each Contract the Supplier acting as agent for and on behalf of the Customer will seek to procure the services of an Travel Provider or more than one Travel Provider to provide Travel Provider Services and upon the basis that each contract for the provision of Travel Provider Services is made between the Customer and the Travel Provider as a consequence of the Suppliers agency.

2.5 Each Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. The Customer acknowledges that it will not rely upon any statement, promise or representation made or given by or on behalf of the Supplier which is not set out in the Contract.

2.6 Any descriptive matter or advertising issued by the Supplier, and any descriptions or illustrations contained in the Supplier's catalogues or brochures, are issued or published for the sole purpose of giving an approximate idea of the Services described in them. They shall not form part of a Contract or have any contractual force.

2.7 These Conditions apply to each Contract to the exclusion of any other terms that the Customer seeks to impose or incorporate, or which are implied by trade, custom, practice or course of dealing.

2.8 Any quotation or estimate given by the Supplier shall not constitute an offer.

3. SUPPLY OF SERVICES

3.1 The Supplier shall supply the Services to the Customer to the best of its ability using reasonable care and skill.

3.2 The Supplier shall have the right to make any changes to the Services which are necessary to comply with any applicable law or safety requirement, or which do not materially affect the nature or quality of the Services, and if time permits the Supplier shall notify the Customer in writing if any such event occurs.

4. CUSTOMER'S OBLIGATIONS

4.1 The Customer shall:

- (a) ensure that the terms of the Order and any other information it provides are complete and accurate;
- (b) co-operate both with the Supplier and the Travel Provider in all matters relating to both the Services and the Travel Provider Services;
- (c) provide both the Supplier and the Travel Provider with such information as the Supplier may reasonably require in order to supply both the Services and the Travel Provider Services, and ensure that such information is accurate in all material respects;

- (d) obtain and maintain all necessary licences, permissions and consents (if any) which may be required before the date on which the Services and / or the Travel Provider Services are to be provided; and (e) make the payments provided for in clause 5.

4.2 If the Supplier's performance of any of its obligations under the Contract is prevented or delayed by any act or omission by the Customer or failure by the Customer to perform any relevant obligation (**Customer Default**) then:

- (a) the Supplier shall without limiting its other rights or remedies have the right to suspend performance of the Services until the Customer remedies the Customer Default, and to rely on the Customer Default to relieve it from the performance of any of its obligations to the extent the Customer Default prevents or delays the Supplier's performance of any of its obligations;
- (b) the Supplier shall not be liable for any costs or losses sustained or incurred by the Customer arising directly or indirectly from the Supplier's failure or delay to perform any of its obligations as set out in this clause 4.2; and
- (c) the Customer shall reimburse the Supplier on written demand for any costs or losses sustained or incurred by the Supplier arising directly or indirectly from the Customer Default.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENT

5.1 The Charges payable by the Customer to the Supplier for the Services shall be the difference between the charges payable to the Travel Provider pursuant to the Travel Provider Contract or Travel Provider Contracts entered into pursuant to the Contract and the amount or amounts which the Customer has agreed to pay the Supplier for the provision by the Travel Provider of the Travel Provider Services to which that Travel Provider Contract or those Travel Provider Contracts relate.

5.2 The initial charges payable to the Travel Provider pursuant to each Travel Provider Contract shall be paid by the Customer to the Supplier who will as agent for the Customer pay the amount of such charge to the Travel Provider after deducting the Charges relating to that Travel Provider Contract. Any secondary or further charge or charges payable to the Travel Provider pursuant to each Travel Provider Contract will be payable by the Customer to the Travel Provider unless the Supplier otherwise agrees in writing.

5.3 The Supplier shall invoice the Customer for both the Charges and the initial charge payable in connection with each Travel Provider Contract on completion of provision of the Services to be provided pursuant to the Contract or sooner if the Supplier so determines.

5.4 Unless previously paid or otherwise agreed in writing by the Supplier the Customer shall pay each invoice submitted by the Supplier:

- (a) within 14 days of the date of the invoice; and
- (b) in full and in cleared funds to a bank account nominated in writing by the Supplier, and time for payment shall be of the essence of the Contract.

5.5 All amounts payable by the Customer under the Contract are exclusive of amounts in respect of value added tax chargeable for the time being (**VAT**). Where any taxable supply for VAT purposes is made under the Contract by the Supplier to the Customer, the Customer shall, pay to the Supplier such additional amounts in respect of VAT as are chargeable on the supply of the Services at the same time as payment is due for the supply of the Services and the Supplier will provide the Customer with a valid VAT invoice in relation thereto.

5.6 Without limiting any other right or remedy of the Supplier, if the Customer fails to make any payment due to the Supplier under the Contract by the due date for payment (**Due Date**), the Supplier shall have the right to charge interest on the overdue amount at the rate of ten per cent per annum above the then current base rate of Lloyds Bank plc accruing on a daily basis from the Due Date until the date of actual payment of the overdue amount compounding quarterly, whether before or after judgment.

5.7 The Customer shall pay all amounts due under the Contract in full without any deduction or withholding except as required by law and the Customer shall not be entitled to assert any credit, set-off or counterclaim against the Supplier in order to justify withholding payment of any such amount in whole or in part. The Supplier may, without limiting its other rights or remedies, set off any amount owing to it by the Customer against any amount payable by the Supplier to the Customer.

5.8 Management of Credit Balances

(a) In the event that the Customer holds a credit balance on their account with the Supplier, such credit balance shall, under normal circumstances, be automatically applied to the subsequent and most appropriate invoice issued to the Customer under the terms of any existing Contract.

(b) The Customer reserves the right to request a refund of the credit balance at any time. Upon receipt of a written request from the Customer, the Supplier shall effectuate a refund of the said credit balance within 14 Business Days, subject to the condition that there are no overdue amounts and that no payments are anticipated to become due within this period on the Customer's account.

(c) The Supplier shall provide written confirmation to the Customer once the credit balance has been applied against an invoice or when a refund has been initiated as per the Customer's request.

(d) This clause shall not prejudice the right of the Supplier to require payment of any charges or other amounts due under the Contract or any Travel Provider Contract as per the terms set out in clauses 5.1 through 5.7.

6. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 6.1 All Intellectual Property Rights in or arising out of or in connection with the Services shall be owned by the Supplier.
- 6.2 The Customer acknowledges that, in respect of any third party Intellectual Property Rights, the Customer's use of any such Intellectual Property Rights is conditional on the Supplier obtaining a written licence from the relevant licensor on such terms as will entitle the Supplier to licence such rights to the Customer.

7. CONFIDENTIALITY

A party (**Receiving Party**) shall keep in strict confidence all technical or commercial know-how, specifications, inventions, processes or initiatives which are of a confidential nature and have been disclosed to the Receiving Party by the other party (**Disclosing Party**), its employees, agents or subcontractors, and any other confidential information concerning the Disclosing Party's business or its products or its services which the Receiving Party may obtain. The Receiving Party shall restrict disclosure of such confidential information to such of its employees, agents or subcontractors as need to know it for the purpose of discharging the Receiving Party's obligations under the Contract, and shall ensure that such employees, agents or subcontractors are subject to obligations of confidentiality corresponding to those which bind the Receiving Party. This clause 7 shall survive termination of the Contract.

8. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: THE CUSTOMER'S ATTENTION IS PARTICULARLY DRAWN TO THIS CLAUSE

- 8.1 Nothing in these Conditions shall limit or exclude the Supplier's liability for:
- (a) death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or the negligence of its employees, agents or subcontractors;
 - (b) fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation; or
 - (c) breach of the terms implied by section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982 (title and quiet possession).
- 8.2 Subject to clause 8.1:
- (a) having complied with its obligations pursuant to clause 3.1 the Supplier will have no liability to the Customer if it fails to procure in connection with any Contract a Travel Provider Contract in connection with all or some of the Travel Provider Services intended to be the subject of that Contract;
 - (b) the Supplier shall under no circumstances whatever be liable to the Customer, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, for any loss of profit, or any indirect or consequential loss arising under or in connection with either the Contract or a Travel Provider Contract;

- (c) the Supplier's total liability to the Customer in respect of all other losses arising under or in connection with a Contract, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, shall in no circumstances exceed the amount of the Charges applicable to that Contract whether paid to the Supplier or not; and
- (d) the Supplier shall have no liability to the Customer in respect of all losses arising under or in connection with the Travel Provider Contract, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise.

8.3 Except as set out in these Conditions, all warranties, conditions and other terms implied by statute or common law are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded from each Contract.

8.4 This clause 8 shall survive termination of the Contract.

9. TERMINATION

9.1 Without limiting its other rights or remedies, each party may terminate a Contract with immediate effect by giving written notice to the other party if:

- (a) the other party commits a material breach of the Contract and (if such a breach is remediable) fails to remedy that breach within a reasonable time of that party being notified in writing of the breach and in any event within five Business Days;
- (b) the other party suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts or (being a company) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or (being an individual) is deemed either unable to pay its debts or as having no reasonable prospect of so doing, in either case, within the meaning of section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or (being a partnership) has any partner to whom any of the foregoing apply;
- (c) the other party commences negotiations with all or any class of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with its creditors [other than (where a company) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that other party with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that other party];
- (d) a petition is filed, a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of that other party (being a company) other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that other party with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that other party;
- (e) the other party (being an individual) is the subject of a bankruptcy petition or order;

- (f) a creditor or encumbrancer of the other party attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution, sequestration or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of its assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days;
- (g) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given or if an administrator is appointed over the other party (being a company);
- (h) a floating charge holder over the assets of that other party (being a company) has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver;
- (i) a person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets of the other party or a receiver is appointed over the assets of the other party;
- (j) any event occurs or proceeding is taken with respect to the other party in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned in clause 9.1(b) to clause 9.1(i) (inclusive);
- (k) the other party suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, to carry on all or a substantial part of its business; or
- (l) the other party (being an individual) dies or, by reason of illness or incapacity (whether mental or physical), is incapable of managing his own affairs or becomes a patient under any mental health legislation.

9.2 Without limiting its other rights or remedies, the Supplier may terminate a Contract with immediate effect by giving written notice to the Customer if the Customer fails to pay any amount due under any Contract or any Travel Provider Contract on the due date for payment.

9.3 Without limiting its other rights or remedies, each party shall have the right to terminate a Contract by giving the other party 5 Business Days written notice.

9.4 Without limiting its other rights or remedies, the Supplier shall have the right to suspend provision of the Services under a Contract or any other contract between the Customer and the Supplier if the Customer becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 9.1(b)) to clause 9.1(l), or the Supplier reasonably believes that the Customer is about to become subject to any of them, or if the Customer fails to pay any amount due under any Contract or any Travel Provider Contract on the due date for payment.

10. CONSEQUENCES OF TERMINATION

On termination of the Contract for any reason:

- (a) the Customer shall immediately pay to the Supplier all of the Supplier's outstanding unpaid invoices and interest and, in respect of Services supplied but for which no invoice has been submitted, the Supplier shall submit an invoice, which shall be payable by the Customer immediately on receipt;
- (b) the accrued rights, remedies, obligations and liabilities of the parties as at expiry or termination shall not be affected, including the right to claim damages in respect of any breach of any Contract which existed at or before the date of termination or expiry; and
- (c) clauses which expressly or by implication have effect after termination shall continue in full force and effect.

11. GENERAL

11.1 Force majeure:

- (a) For the purposes of a Contract, **Force Majeure Event** means an event beyond the reasonable control of the Supplier including but not limited to strikes, lock-outs or other industrial disputes (whether involving the workforce of the Supplier or any other party), failure of a utility service or transport network, act of God, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, compliance with any law or governmental order, rule, regulation or direction, accident, breakdown of plant or machinery, fire, flood, storm or default of suppliers or subcontractors.
- (b) The Supplier shall not be liable to the Customer as a result of any delay or failure to perform its obligations under a Contract as a result of a Force Majeure Event.
- (c) If the Force Majeure Event prevents the Supplier from providing any of the Services for more than four weeks, the Supplier shall, without limiting its other rights or remedies, have the right to terminate any relevant Contract immediately by giving written notice to the Customer.

11.2 Assignment and subcontracting:

- (a) The Supplier may at any time assign, transfer, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights under a Contract and may subcontract or delegate in any manner any or all of its obligations under a Contract to any third party or agent.
- (b) The Customer shall not, without the prior written consent of the Supplier, assign, transfer, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights or obligations under a Contract or these terms and conditions.

11.3 Notices:

- (a) Any notice or other communication required to be given to a party under or in connection with a Contract shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the other party personally or sent by prepaid first-class post, recorded delivery or by commercial courier, at its registered office (if a company) or (in any other case) its principal place of business, or sent by fax to the other party's main fax number or by email or by more than one of these methods of delivery.
- (b) Any notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been duly received if delivered personally, when left at the address referred to above or, if sent by pre-paid first-class post or recorded delivery, at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting, or if delivered by commercial courier, on the date and at the time that the courier's delivery receipt is signed, or if sent by fax, on the next Business Day after transmission.
- (c) This clause 11.3 shall not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action. For the purposes of this clause 11.3, "writing" shall not include e-mails and for the avoidance of doubt notice given under a Contract shall not be validly served if sent by e-mail.

11.4 Waiver:

- (a) A waiver of any right under a Contract or these terms and conditions is only effective if it is in writing and shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach or default. No failure or delay by a party in exercising any right or remedy under a Contract or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy, nor preclude or restrict its further exercise. No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.
- (b) Unless specifically provided otherwise, rights arising under a Contract are cumulative and do not exclude rights provided by law.

11.5 Severance:

- (a) If a court or any other competent authority finds that any provision of a Contract or these terms and conditions (or part of any provision) is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that provision or part-provision shall, to the extent required, be deemed deleted, and the validity and enforceability of the other provisions of the Contract shall not be affected.
- (b) If any invalid, unenforceable or illegal provision of a Contract or these terms and conditions would be valid, enforceable and legal if some part of it were deleted, the provision shall apply with the minimum modification necessary to make it legal, valid and enforceable.

11.6 No partnership: Nothing in a Contract or these terms and conditions is intended to, or shall be deemed to, constitute a partnership or joint venture of any kind between any of the parties.

- 11.7 Third parties: A person who is not a party to a Contract shall not have any rights under or in connection with it.
- 11.8 Variation: Except as set out in these Conditions, any variation, including the introduction of any additional terms and conditions, to a Contract or these terms and conditions, shall only be binding when agreed in writing by the Supplier.
- 11.9 Governing law and jurisdiction: Each Contract, and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims), shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law, and the parties irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.