







# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

# Gold Trek China 2013

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Gold Trek China 2013 is run by Discover Adventure Limited (ATOL no 5636) (Registered Company No. 2400969) Registered Office: Throope Down House, Blandford Road, Coombe Bissett, Salisbury, SP5 4LN ("DAL") and promoted by Global Charities (Trading) Limited (Registered Company No. 4374705) Registered Office: 30 Leicester Square, London WC2H 7LA ("Gold"). Help a London Child, is a subsidiary appeal of Global Charities (Registered Charity No. 1091657). Global Charities covenants all profits to the charity appeals.

- 1. These terms and conditions, together with the contract between you and DAL ("DAL terms and conditions") govern your entry to the Gold Trek China 2013.
- To be eligible for the Gold China Trek 2013, each participant must provide to DAL a non-refundable registration fee of £299 unless otherwise stated, and raise £3500 sponsorship, in accordance with the DAL terms and conditions. Of this sponsorship a minimum of £2081 (60%) will be retained by the charity as a charitable donation, the remainder being passed to DAL to pay for the costs of the trip. 100% of funds raised above the £3500 minimum sponsorship requirement will be treated as a donation to the charity.
- 3. Participants unable to meet these sponsorship requirements may forfeit their place on the Gold China Trek 2013 (at Gold' sole discretion). However, participants may choose to make up the balance themselves. All fundraising monies are non-refundable to the participants.
- 4. Participants are able to withdraw from the event, in writing to DAL, at any time up to 8 weeks before the date of the event. If participants withdraw from the event less than 8 weeks from the date of the event the participant shall be liable to pay one of the following amounts:

Cancellation Notice	Amount payable by participant	Maximum payable by participant
56 days to 50 days	60% of cost of challenge	Up to maximum £831
49 days to 36 days	70% of cost of challenge	Up to maximum £970
35 days to 29 days	90% of cost of challenge	Up to maximum £1247
Within 29 days	100% of cost of challenge	Up to maximum £1385
On the date of the event	100% of cost of challenge	Up to maximum £1385

Participants may be able to recover some or all of this from their travel insurance.

Any cancellation notice from a participant must be communicated in writing to The Charity. Cancellations are only effective from the day that they are received by The Charity. Registration fee and all fundraising monies are non-refundable to the Participants.

- 5. Should Gold or its agents become aware of any fraud, deceit or similar action undertaken in connection with the Gold China Trek 2013 (including with respect to raising sponsorship), Gold reserves the right the right to forfeit a participant place on the Gold China Trek 2013 (without any liability or compensation to the participant whatsoever). The participant agrees to co-operate with and comply with all reasonable requests of Gold in connection with the Gold China Trek 2013 and the raising of sponsorship.
- **6.** If, for whatever reason, participants choose not to take up their place, or the Gold China Trek 2013 is cancelled, all sponsorship forms and money must be forwarded to Gold.
- 7. DAL and Gold reserve the right to refuse entry to any participant at any time without disclosing the reason.
- **8.** Passport control and in-country authorities will reserve the right to refuse entry. If you are refused passage and or entry/exit to or from the country you are visiting, any additional costs incurred are your responsibility.
- **9.** All transfers to and from a London airport are at a participant's own expense.
- 10. Participants must carry out fundraising in accordance with the guidelines set out in the fundraising pack and/or through consultation with Gold. The fundraising pack will be sent out to participants following confirmation of their registration. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with Gold, participants must not use the Gold China Trek 2013 for any commercial gain, or use the Gold China Trek 2013 to fundraise for any registered charity other than Gold.

- 11. The interests and good reputation of Gold are paramount and Gold may, at its sole discretion, withdraw places or reject an application to the Gold China Trek 2013 if it believes it is in the best interests of Gold to do so.
- **12.** All funds raised should be made payable to Gold (Trading) Limited.
- 13. Participants are obliged to ensure the safety standards and the general appropriateness of activities undertaken by them during the Gold China Trek 2013 and acknowledge that all activities are undertaken at their own risk.
- Gold shall not be liable in any way for costs, expenses, damages, liability or injury arising out of or in any way connected with the Gold China Trek 2013 other than as specifically provided in these terms and conditions. This limitation does not exclude any liability for death or personal injury. Gold accepts no liability for any loss of profit, business, contracts, revenues, or anticipated savings or for special, direct, indirect or consequential loss of any nature howsoever arising.
- 15. Gold shall have no liability, if prevented, hindered, or delayed in carrying out any of its obligations by any law or regulatory order, rule, regulation or by any other act or thing beyond its control (including without limitation war, riot, civil commotion, strike, lock-out, malicious damage, breakdown of plant or machinery, accident, fire, flood).
- All participants undertake the Gold China Trek 2013 at their own risk and agree to indemnify Gold against all costs, losses, damages, expenses and liabilities (including for loss of reputation and goodwill and professional advisors fees) and any claim arising from the participants' own actions in any way in connection with the Gold China Trek 2013 or a breach of the participants' obligations hereunder. If extending their stay beyond the duration of the Challenge participants must ensure they have adequate insurance cover for the entire period.
- 17. Participants must comply with and are responsible for attending to any inoculation and health regulations required for their destination.
- 18. Gold reserve the right to cancel the Gold China Trek 2013 (without any liability to participant) if it considers it appropriate in the circumstances. In this event, Gold will use all reasonable endeavours to offer an alternative trip at some other time and/or some other destination, which may be accepted instead by the participant. If such offer is not accepted (or not made), the participant shall have no claim against Gold in respect of cancellation or delay of the Gold China Trek 2013 or for any expense or damage whatsoever incurred as a result thereof.
- Participants must comply with the terms and conditions of the airline and other transportation involved in the Gold China Trek 2013 (all of such terms and conditions are incorporated by reference). Participants must also comply with all reasonable instructions from Gold and their agents and representatives (including without limitation the guides and other supervisors). In particular, participants shall comply with all health and safety guidelines and instructions and all applicable legal and regulatory requirements. Participants must not by their act or omission do anything, which may threaten the health and safety of any other person on the Gold China Trek 2013. No participant, agent, or subcontractor of Gold is entitled or authorised in any way to commit Gold to any contract, expense or cost entered into or incurred without its advance written acceptance of the same. No variation of these terms and conditions is effective unless approved by an authorised representative of Gold in writing.
- 20. These terms and conditions, together with the DAL terms and conditions, represent the entire agreement between the parties relating to the Gold China Trek 2013 and supersede all prior representations, agreements, negotiations or understandings (whether oral or in writing). Except as specifically set out herein, all conditions, warranties and representations expressed or implied by law are excluded. For the avoidance of doubt, no information of any nature about the Gold China Trek 2013 or any of these terms and conditions should be relied upon unless confirmed in writing by Gold. The invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability of the whole or part of a term or condition does not effect or impair the continuation in force of the remainder of the terms and conditions.
- 21. The participant shall not with out the prior consent of Gold publish any information in connection with the Gold China Trek 2013. Gold shall be entitled to refer to the participant's association with the Gold China Trek 2013 in all publicity, marketing and promotional material in connection therewith (and in any audio or audio-visual recordings of the Gold China China Trek 2013, whether a participant's appearance is featured or incidental).
- 22. The failure to exercise or delay in exercising a right or remedy provided hereunder or by law does not constitute a waiver of the right or remedy or waiver of other rights or remedies. These terms and conditions shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with English law and the parties irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

# **Discover Adventure Booking Conditions**

The booking conditions set out below form the basis of your relationship with Discover Adventure Limited ("DAL") of Throope Down House, Blandford Road, Coombe Bissett, Salisbury Wiltshire, SP5 4LN and the Charity for whom you have chosen to raise funds ("Charity"). References in these terms and conditions to the Charity include any trading subsidiary of the Charity. Please read them carefully as they set out each party's respective rights and obligations. All bookings are subject to the following booking conditions.

# Background

DAL facilitates the raising of funds for charities by providing adventure trips. The Charity is the appointed agent of DAL for the purpose of marketing the event to which your Trip relates and in connection with the administration of your Trip booking.

#### All parties agree the following:

#### Definitions.

- 1. In this Agreement, the following words shall have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires:-
- (i) "Event" means the fund raising event for the Charity of which the Trip forms part;
- (ii) "Trip" means the inclusive arrangements, flights, accommodation, vehicle hire and all other services which DAL contractually agrees to provide or arrange for you;
- (iii) "Organiser" means the organiser as defined by the Package Travel, Package Holidays and Package Tours Regulations 1992 (Statutory Instrument 1992 No. 3288) and any amendment or re-enactment of the same and all other legislation implementing the EC Directive on Package Travel, Package Holidays and Package Tours (Council Directive 90/314/EEC).
- (iv) "Registration Fee" means the registration fee, if any, payable to DAL/the Charity for the Trip.
- (v) "Basic Trip Cost" means the cost of the Trip payable to DAL as advised at the time of booking (excluding any Airline Fuel Supplement and insurance premiums).
- (vi) "Airline Fuel Supplement" means the amount of any fuel supplement payable to the airline(s) operating the flights which form part of the Trip and which you are advised at the time of booking does not form part of the Basic Trip Cost.
- (vii) "Surcharge" means any surcharge payable in accordance with clause 11 of section B of these booking conditions.
- (viii) "Total Trip Cost" means the total amount payable to DAL in respect of the Trip including the Registration Fee, the Basic Trip Cost, any Airline Fuel Supplement and any Surcharge but excluding any costs and charges payable in the event of cancellation or amendment by you.
- (ix) "you" and "your" means the participant named on the registration form.

#### Section A

#### Who organises the Trip?

1. DAL is the Organiser of the Trip. Your contract for the Trip is with DAL. Please note DAL's responsibilities are limited to the provision of the Trip in accordance with this Agreement. Except in relation to monies paid to the Charity and held by them on DAL's behalf in accordance with clause 2.4, DAL has no responsibility for any payments made to the Charity or for any act(s) or omission(s) of the Charity.

#### What is the Payment Timetable?

- 2.1 (i) You must pay the Registration Fee to DAL or the Charity at the time of booking.
  - (ii) You must pay the Basic Trip Cost to DAL or the Charity no less than 10 weeks prior to the commencement of the Trip.
  - (iii) You must pay any Airline Fuel Supplement to DAL or the Charity, if applicable, when requested (usually approximately 6 to 8 weeks but no earlier than 10 weeks prior to departure)
  - (iv) You must pay any Surcharge to DAL or the Charity in accordance with clause 11 of section B.
- 2.2 If you wish to purchase the insurance offered by DAL all applicable premiums must be paid to DAL as soon as possible as cover is not effective until these have been paid. Please see clause 8 of section B.
- 2.3 Credit Card payments: No credit card fee will be charged when paying the Registration Fee. Credit card charges on payments made to the Charity are at the discretion of the Charity. Payments made direct to DAL by credit card incur a fee of 2% of the amount paid. There is no charge for payments made by debit card.
- 2.4 For flight and non flight inclusive bookings, all monies paid to the Charity in respect of the Total Trip Cost will be held on DAL's behalf until they are paid to DAL. Please note; monies paid to the Charity over and above the Total Trip Cost belong to the Charity.

# What happens if I fail to pay all monies on time?

3 If DAL or the Charity (as applicable) do not receive all payments due from you in respect of the Trip in full and on time, your place on the Trip will no longer be guaranteed and your Registration Fee will be lost. Your Trip booking will be treated as cancelled by you and clause 14 will apply.

### What are your responsibilities?

- 4.1 You must not do anything or fail to do anything which is reasonably likely to bring the Charity and/or DAL into disrepute whether before during or after the Trip.
- 4.2 You must ensure that all information you give DAL and/or the Charity including all information provided on the registration and insurance forms and medical questionnaire is complete, true and accurate. If you fail to do so in any material respect, DAL shall be entitled to cancel your booking and the Registration Fee will be retained. Depending on the date when DAL and/or the Charity discover that you have failed to comply with the provisions of this clause DAL will also be entitled to charge the cancellation fees set out in clause 14.

#### What happens to the information I provide?

5. Where necessary DAL provides the personal information given by you to the various suppliers who provide each element of the Trip (for example airlines). DAL also provides this information to other bodies such as credit card and insurance companies who need to know them in order that payments can be processed and cover provided (where applicable). Personal information will also be provided to the Charity. A full data protection statement is available on the websites of DAL and the Charity.

#### Section B How do I Book?

- 1.1 You must complete and sign the registration form and return with the appropriate payment at the time of booking. Your completed medical questionnaire and appropriate insurance form should be returned within 10 days of receiving your information pack. You must be at least 18 when the booking is made.
- 1.2 Except where no Registration Fee is applicable, DAL will not accept any registration form without the appropriate Registration Fee as a firm booking.

#### When will the Trip be confirmed?

2. Once DAL or the Charity has received your registration form, medical questionnaire and all appropriate payments, your Trip, subject to availability, will be confirmed with a booking confirmation letter. Please check this carefully as soon as you receive it. You must contact DAL immediately if any information in the confirmation letter or any other document appears to be incorrect or incomplete as it may not be possible to make changes later.

#### When does my contract for the Trip come into existence?

3. A binding contract between you and DAL comes into existence when the confirmation letter is sent to you. You agree that English law (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description which arises between you and DAL (except as set out below) ("claim"). You also agree that any claim must be dealt with by the Courts of England and Wales only unless, in the case of Court proceedings, you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. In this case, proceedings must either be brought in the Courts of your home country or those of England and Wales. If proceedings are brought in Scotland or Northern Ireland, you may choose to have your contract and any claim governed by the law of Scotland/Northern Ireland as applicable (but if you do not so choose, English law will apply).

#### What about Minimum Numbers?

4. Please note that each Event has a minimum number of participants required for its operation. A Trip may be cancelled due to insufficient numbers up to 56 days prior to departure. In the circumstances you will be offered an alternative Event, if available (which may involve an additional payment) or a complete refund of the payments you have made for your Trip (see options 5b and 5c under "Itinerary" below).

#### Itinerary

5. DAL starts planning the Event many months in advance. Occasionally, DAL has to make changes to a planned Event and to Trip arrangements both before and after bookings have been confirmed. Whilst DAL always endeavours to avoid changes and cancellations, DAL must reserve the right to do so.

Most changes are minor. Occasionally, DAL has to make a "significant change". Significant changes are likely to include the following changes when made before departure; a change of accommodation area for the whole or a major part of the time you are away, a change of outward departure time or overall length of time you are away of twelve or more hours, a change of UK departure point to one which is more inconvenient for you and, in the case of tours, a significant change of itinerary missing out one or more major destinations substantially or altogether.

If DAL has to make a significant change or cancellation, DAL will tell you as soon as possible. If there is time to do so before departure, DAL will offer you the choice of the following options:-

- (a) (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements; or
- (b) purchasing an alternative trip from DAL with the same Charity, of a similar standard to that originally booked if available. If any alternative trip is in fact cheaper than the original one, DAL will refund the price difference to the Charity (if DAL have received the Basic Trip Cost from the Charity). If any alternative trip is more expensive, you will be asked to pay the difference; or
- (c) cancelling or accepting the cancellation in which case you will receive a full and quick refund of all monies (including the Registration Fee) you have paid directly to DAL or to the Charity in respect of the Trip. Please note: where you have made payment to the Charity which has been passed on to DAL, DAL will refund that payment to the Charity. Please note, the above options are not available where any change made is a minor one.

If DAL has to make a significant change or cancellation, DAL will as a minimum where compensation is due pay you reasonable compensation depending on the circumstances and when the significant change or cancellation is notified to you subject to the following exceptions. Compensation will not be payable and no liability beyond offering the above mentioned choices can be accepted where DAL is forced to make a change or cancel as a result of unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond DAL's control, the consequences of which DAL could not have avoided even with all due care or where DAL is forced to cancel due to the minimum number of participants required for the Event to operate not being reached.

No compensation will be payable and the above options will not be available if DAL cancels as a result of your failure to comply with any requirement of these terms and conditions entitling DAL to cancel (such as paying on time) or if the change made is a minor one.

Very rarely, DAL may be forced by "force majeure" (see clause 18 in section B "DAL's Liability" below) to change or terminate the Trip after departure but before the scheduled end of your time away. This is extremely unlikely but if this situation does occur, DAL regret it will be unable to make any refunds (unless it obtains any refunds from its suppliers), pay you any compensation or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result.

#### **Challenge Participation and Responsibility**

6. The Trip may involve hazards which are inherent to the activities involved in it. These inherent hazards increase the risk to participants of personal injury, death, illness, and/or loss or damage to property. By making your booking with DAL you acknowledge and accept the inherent hazards involved in the Trip. Except as set out in these booking conditions, DAL cannot accept any liability for any personal injury, death, illness, loss or damage to property or any other loss or damage you incur as a result your participation in the Trip. Any safety equipment supplied must be worn correctly at all times. Your cycling helmet should be worn at all times when you are cycling.

#### What about Flight delays?

7. DAL regrets it is not in a position to offer you any assistance in the event of delay at your outward or homeward point of departure. Any airline concerned may however provide refreshments etc. DAL cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in clause 18.8 in section B "DAL's liability" (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on the flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time).

#### Do I need Travel Insurance?

8. Travel insurance, including cover for baggage, is mandatory for all clients whilst on an overseas Trip organised by the DAL. Other than as referred to in clause 18 in section B, you travel, together with your personal property including baggage, solely at your own risk at all times. You are wholly responsible for arranging your own insurance and if you join the Trip without adequate insurance you may not be permitted to continue, with no right of refund.

If you choose not to take out DAL's specially arranged Travel/Cancellation insurance you are responsible for ensuring that you have adequate private travel insurance, with protection for the full duration of the Trip in respect of at least medical expenses, injury, death, repatriation, cancellation and curtailment. If you make your own arrangements you should ensure that there are no exclusion clauses limiting protection for the type of activities included in the Trip. You are responsible for providing proof of this cover to DAL; failure to do so by its deadline may result in DAL charging you for its insurance.

You must satisfy yourself that any travel insurance arranged through DAL meets your requirements and you should arrange supplementary insurance if need be. You are responsible for notifying DAL if you have not received insurance documentation after DAL has taken payment. Any claims concerning matters for which you are required to be or are insured must be directed to your insurers. You will be deemed to have read the insurance cover. All participants are personally responsible for informing insurance companies of any pre-existing conditions.

#### Do you require Medical Details?

9. DAL requires a completed medical questionnaire from each participant. If you are aged over 65 years of age or if you have any medical condition that could be adversely affected by exercise, such as a heart condition or asthma, you must provide DAL with a signed medical questionnaire and further information as necessary from your doctor. See also Section A clause 4.2 above.

#### What if I have a Complaint?

10. Should you have a complaint about any part of the Trip, you must tell both the relevant supplier and the tour leader at the time. It is only if DAL and the relevant supplier know about problems that there will be the opportunity to put things right. Any complaints must be communicated to the tour leader in writing immediately while on tour and to the DAL office no later than 28 days after the end of the Trip.

# Will the Price of the Trip increase?

11. Please note, there may be an Airline Fuel Supplement payable in addition to the Basic Trip Cost where your Trip includes flights organised by DAL. Due to their fluctuating nature, fuel supplements payable to the airline(s) operating your flights as advised at the time of booking are not included in the Basic Trip Cost, but are payable in full in the amount confirmed by the airline approximately 6 – 8 weeks prior to commencement of the Trip. The Airline Fuel Supplement is not a surcharge but is an amount which you agree to pay in addition to the Basic Trip Cost. The surcharge provisions set out below do not therefore apply to it.

Once the Basic Trip Cost has been confirmed at the time of booking, DAL will only increase it in the following circumstances. Price increases after booking will be passed on by way of a surcharge. A surcharge will be payable, subject to the conditions set out in this clause, if DAL's costs increase as a result of increases in transportation costs or in dues, taxes or fees payable for services such as landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at airports or as a result of any changes in the exchange rates which have been used to calculate the Basic Trip Cost.

Even in the above cases, only if the amount of the increase in DAL's costs exceeds 2% of the Basic Trip Cost, will DAL levy a surcharge. If any such surcharge is greater than 10% of the Basic Trip Cost, you will be entitled to cancel your booking and receive a full refund of all payments you have made to DAL or the Charity in respect of the Total Trip Cost.

The Charity will advise you where this is the case. If DAL has received payments from the Charity in respect of the Total Trip Cost, these will be refunded to the Charity. Alternatively you can purchase another trip from DAL as referred to in clause 5 of section B "Itinerary" above. Insurance premiums, amendment and cancellation charges are not refundable.

DAL promises not to levy a surcharge within 30 days of the start of the Trip.

#### Equipment

12. Clients taking their own equipment including a bike on a Trip are responsible for any charges for transportation levied by the airline including excess baggage.

13. DAL and/or the Charity reserve the right on reasonable grounds to refuse participation to anyone at any time without having to disclose the reason. Your entitlement to participate depends on our being satisfied that there are no circumstances under which DAL ought properly to decline your participation. DAL's decision on your participation shall be final and binding. DAL however will not exercise this right without having clear grounds to do so. In any circumstances where DAL decides that you may not participate your Registration Fee and insurance premium (where paid) will be refunded to you in full.

When you book with DAL, you accept responsibility for any damage or loss caused by you. Full payment for any such damage or loss must be paid direct at the time to the accommodation owner or manager or other supplier. If you fail to do so, you will be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against DAL (together with DAL's own and the other party's full legal costs) as a result of your actions.

#### What if I want to cancel?

14.1. If you wish to cancel, DAL or the Charity must receive notice in writing from you. Effective date of cancellation will be taken from the date such notice is received by DAL or the Charity. Cancellation fees will be charged as follows. The percentages shown are of the Total Trip Cost excluding the Registration Fee which is not refundable in the event of cancellation. Amendment fees and insurance premiums are also not refundable in the event that you cancel. **Cancellation Charge** 

loss of Registration Fee only

# Period before departure written notice

#### of cancellation is received by DAL More than 56 days prior to departure

56-29 days prior to departure 50% 28-15 days prior to departure 75% 14-0 days prior to departure 100%

DAL will refund to the Charity any monies relating to the Total Trip Cost paid by it to DAL after deduction of the cancellation charges set out above. You agree that the Charity shall be entitled to keep any such refunded monies and shall not be obliged to pay them to you.

If cancellation occurs in circumstances where recovery of cancellation charges is indemnified under your travel insurance, you hereby agree that you will co-operate in the recovery of these charges from the insurers and any sums recovered under the policy will again be paid to the Charity.

14.2 Should you wish to make any changes to your confirmed booking, you must notify DAL and the Charity in writing as soon as possible. Whilst DAL will endeavour to assist, DAL cannot guarantee it will be able to meet any such requests. Where DAL can, an amendment fee of £75 per person will be payable together with any costs incurred by DAL and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of DAL's suppliers.

#### Passport, vaccinations and visas

15. You are responsible for arranging, and must be in possession of, a valid passport and any visas and vaccination certificates required for the whole of your Trip. Information given by DAL about these matters or related items (climate, clothing, baggage, personal gear etc) is given in good faith but requirements may change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. It is your responsibility to obtain any necessary vaccinations for your Trip and to do so well before the departure date.

#### Registration Form

16. Signing your registration form or submitting your online booking form signifies your agreement to abide by the authority of the leader, who represents DAL. The decision of the leader as to the conduct, itinerary and objectives of the Trip is final. If in the opinion of the leader, your behaviour or physical condition is detrimental to the safety, welfare and well-being of the group as a whole or that your general well-being will be put at risk by continuing with the Event, you may be asked to leave the Trip without the right to any refund for unused services.

#### **Your Financial Protection**

17. When you buy an ATOL protected air package from DAL you will receive a booking confirmation letter confirming your arrangements and your protection under our Air Travel Organiser's Licence Number 5636. In the unlikely event of our insolvency the CAA will ensure that you are not left stranded abroad and will arrange to refund any money which has been paid to DAL for a Trip which has yet to depart. Not all trips or travel services offered and sold by DAL will be protected by the ATOL Scheme. For Trips that do not include flights from the UK DAL is fully bonded with AITO Trust Ltd for your financial protection. This arrangement means any money which has been paid to DAL for a Trip which has yet to

depart will be refunded or you will be brought back to the UK (where your Trip includes return travel to the UK) if already abroad in the unlikely event of DAL being unable to provide your Trip due to DAL's insolvency.

#### DAL's Liability

18. 1 DAL promises to make sure that the Trip arrangements DAL has agreed to make, perform or provide as applicable as part of its contract with you are made, performed or provided with reasonable skill and care. This means that, subject to these booking conditions, DAL will accept responsibility if, for example, you suffer death or personal injury or your contracted Trip arrangements are not provided as promised or prove deficient as a result of the failure of DAL or DAL's employees, agents or suppliers to use reasonable skill and care in making, performing or providing, as applicable, your contracted Trip arrangements. Please note it is your responsibility to show that reasonable skill and care has not been used if you wish to make a claim against DAL. In addition, DAL will only be responsible for what its employees, agents and suppliers do or do not do if they were at the time acting within the course of their employment (for employees) or carrying out work DAL had asked them to do (for agents and suppliers).

- 18.2 DAL will not be responsible for any injury, illness, death, loss (including loss of enjoyment or possessions), damage, expense, cost or other sum or claim of any description whatsoever which results from any of the following: -
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected or
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party not connected with the provision of your Trip and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable or
- 'force majeure' as defined below
- 18.3 Please note, DAL cannot accept responsibility for any services which do not form part of its contract with you. This includes, for example, any additional services or facilities which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you where DAL has not contractually agreed to provide or arrange such services or facilities. In addition, regardless of any wording used by DAL in any material produced by DAL in relation to the Event or your Trip, DAL only promise to use reasonable skill and care as set out above and DAL does not have any greater or different liability to you.
- 18.4 The promises DAL make to you about the services it has agreed to provide or arrange as part of its contract with you and the laws and regulations of the country in which your claim or complaint occurred will be used as the basis for deciding whether the services in question had been properly provided. If the particular services which gave rise to the claim or complaint complied with local laws and regulations applicable to those services at the time, the services will be treated as having been properly provided. This will be the case even if the services did not comply with the laws and regulations of the UK which would have applied had those services been provided in the UK. The exception to this is where the claim or complaint concerns the absence of a safety feature which might lead a reasonable participant to refuse to take the Trip in question.
- 18.5 Where DAL is found liable for loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions (including money), the maximum amount DAL will have to pay you is £1,500 (fifteen hundred pounds) unless a lower limitation applies to your claim under this clause or clause 18.6 below.

For all other claims which do not involve death or personal injury, if DAL are found liable to you on any basis the maximum amount it will have to pay you is twice the Total basic Trip Cost (excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges) unless a lower limitation applies to your claim under clause 18.6. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you have not received any benefit at all from the Trip.

- 18.6 Where any claim or part of a claim (including those involving death or personal injury) concerns or is based on any travel arrangements (including the process of getting on and/or off the transport concerned) provided by any air, sea or rail carrier to which any international convention or regulation applies, the maximum amount of compensation DAL will have to pay you will be limited. The most DAL will have to pay you for that claim or that part of a claim if DAL are found liable to you on any basis is the most the carrier concerned would have to pay under the international convention or regulation which applies to the travel arrangements in question (for example, the Warsaw Convention as amended or unamended and the Montreal Convention for international travel by air and/or for airlines with an operating licence granted by an EU country, the EC Regulation on Air Carrier Liability No 889/2002 for national and international travel by air, the Athens Convention for international travel by sea and COTIF, the Convention on International Travel by Rail). Please note: Where a carrier would not be obliged to make any payment to you under the applicable international convention or regulation in respect of a claim or part of a claim, DAL similarly are not obliged to make a payment to you have received or are entitled to receive from the carrier for the claim in question. Copies of the applicable international conventions and regulations are available from us on request.
- 18.7 Please note, DAL cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss, expense or other sum(s) of any description (1) which on the basis of the information given to DAL by you concerning your booking prior to DAL accepting it, DAL could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if DAL breached our contract with you or (2) which did not result from any breach of contract or other fault by DAL or its employees or, where DAL are responsible for them, its suppliers. Additionally DAL cannot accept liability for any business losses including self employed loss of earnings.
- 18.8 **Force Majeure**: Except where otherwise expressly stated in these booking conditions, DAL regrets it cannot accept liability or pay any compensation where the performance or prompt performance of our obligations under our contract with you is prevented or affected by or you otherwise suffer any damage or loss (as more fully described in clause 18.1 above) as a result of "force majeure." In these booking conditions, "force majeure" means any event which DAL or the supplier of

the service(s) in question could not, even with all due care, foresee or avoid. Such events may include, whether actual or threatened, war, riot, civil strife, terrorist activity, industrial dispute, natural or nuclear disaster, adverse weather conditions, fire and all similar events outside DAL's control.

#### **Flights**

19. The flight timings detailed in Trip documentation are for general guidance only and are subject to change. The latest timings will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. In most cases your tickets will be given to you at the airport. You must check flight details very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. It is possible that flight times may be changed even within two weeks of departure – DAL or the Charity will contact you as soon as possible if this occurs.

DAL is not always in a position to confirm the airline and airport of destination which will be used in connection with any flight included in your Trip. When this information is provided at the time of booking or subsequently, it is subject to change. Any such change will not entitle you to cancel or change to other arrangements without paying DAL's normal charges.

#### **Conditions of suppliers**

20. Many of the services which make up the Trip are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions (see clause 18.6). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from DAL or the supplier concerned.

#### **Special Requests**

21. If you have any special request, you must advise DAL or the Charity in writing at the time of booking. Although DAL will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, DAL regrets it cannot guarantee any request will be met unless DAL have specifically confirmed this. For your own protection, you should obtain confirmation in writing from DAL that your request will be complied with (where it is possible for DAL to give this) if your request is important to you. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request in your confirmation letter or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability.

DAL regrets it cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests

#### **Promotional Material**

22. DAL reserves the right to use without payment any photographs and images taken at an Event or Event-related occasion by its employees or suppliers, or forwarded by any person on the Event or connected to the Event, in its brochure, on its website, in its social network marketing activities or for use in any other relevant promotional material.