



ARC 24 Ltd

We, the undersigned, commit to honour the Armed Forces Covenant and support the Armed Forces Community. We recognise the value Serving Personnel, both Regular and Reservists, Veterans and military families contribute to our business and our country.

Signed on behalf of ARC 24 Ltd

Signed: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____ Director

Date: _____ 13th of March 2018



The Armed Forces Covenant

An Enduring Covenant Between

The People of the United Kingdom

Her Majesty's Government

– and –

All those who serve or have served in the Armed Forces of the Crown

And their Families

The first duty of Government is the defence of the realm. Our Armed Forces fulfil that responsibility on behalf of the Government, sacrificing some civilian freedoms, facing danger and, sometimes, suffering serious injury or death as a result of their duty. Families also play a vital role in supporting the operational effectiveness of our Armed Forces. In return, the whole nation has a moral obligation to the members of the Naval Service, the Army and the Royal Air Force, together with their families. They deserve our respect and support, and fair treatment.

Those who serve in the Armed Forces, whether Regular or Reserve, those who have served in the past, and their families, should face no disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services. Special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given most such as the injured and the bereaved.

This obligation involves the whole of society: it includes voluntary and charitable bodies, private organisations, and the actions of individuals in supporting the Armed Forces. Recognising those who have performed military duty unites the country and demonstrates the value of their contribution. This has no greater expression than in upholding this Covenant.

Section 1: Principles Of The Armed Forces Covenant

1.1 We ARC 24 Ltd will endeavour in our business dealings to uphold the key principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, which are:

- *no member of the Armed Forces Community should face disadvantage in the provision of public and commercial services compared to any other citizen*
- *in some circumstances special treatment may be appropriate especially for the injured or bereaved.*

Section 2: Demonstrating our Commitment

2.1 ARC 24 Ltd recognises the value serving personnel, reservists, veterans and military families bring to our business. We will seek to uphold the principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, by:

- *promoting the fact that we are an armed forces-friendly organisation; promoted in our tender packs to new clients, our staff handbook and recruitment drives. We are also waiting for details on the new cadet force apprenticeship scheme, which we are keen to get involved with.*
- *seeking to support the employment of veterans young and old and working with the Career Transition Partnership (CTP), in order to establish a tailored employment pathway for Service Leavers; We currently employ 6 veterans on full time contracts, we also promote the fact we are a veteran owned company. We believe by employing individuals who have served or are still serving with the armed forces or cadet forces we deliver a high standard of service. ARC 24 Director also is a speaker at events across the country held specially for the FSB and the recruitment of armed forces. She has spoken at many military venues promoting veterans & business*
- *endeavouring to offer a degree of flexibility in granting leave for Service spouses and partners before, during and after a partner's deployment; Leave will be granted if requested even at short notice wherever possible.*
- *seeking to support our employees who choose to be members of the Reserve forces, including by accommodating their training and deployment where possible; We currently have*

two members of staff who are a members of the reserve forces, they have always been granted leave to attend training and courses.

- offering support to our local cadet units, either in our local community or in local schools, where possible; Both company directors serve within the cadet forces. One director is commissioned an and runs a detachment in Brighton.*
- aiming to actively participate in Armed Forces Day; Both directors currently serve within the cadet forces and volunteer at the Blind Veterans UK Armed forces day event in Brighton.*
- offering a discount to members of the Armed Forces Community; CCTV installations and first aid courses are offered at 10% reduction for all veterans or serving personnel*

2.2 We will publicise these commitments through our literature and/or on our website, setting out how we will seek to honour them and inviting feedback from the service community and our customers on how we are doing.