



RiverSafe

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:

RiverSafe

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Position: DIRECTOR

Date: 8th November 2018

Signed on behalf of:

Ministry of Defence

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Name: Hoodor

Position: CEO ISS

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INTEGRITY, INNOVATION, IMPACT

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 **RiverSafe** 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 **RiverSafe** 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 by Where possible and appropriate, RiverSafe will display and promote the Armed Forces covenant on related marketing and communications material. RiverSafe will publicly celebrate our internal military community as well as those currently serving by supporting Armed Forces day and other Armed Forces events.*
- *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; RiverSafe will continue its employment of military veterans and reservists who are seeking employment outside of the Armed Forces.*
- *RiverSafe will work with the Career Transition Partnership, to establish a tailored employment pathway for service leavers, including the wounded, injured or sick.*
- *RiverSafe will support the training of selected veterans and reservists in RiverSafe solutions and services so they deliver high level consultancy and support.*
- *RiverSafe will ensure no member of the Armed Forces community faces disadvantages in the provision of public and commercial services compared to any other citizen.*
- *RiverSafe is committed to providing the support and flexibility required to support the injured and bereaved.*
- *Striving to support the employment of Service spouses and partners; RiverSafe will support the employment of Armed Services spouses and partners and will endeavour to find alternative employment solutions within the business in another location if they need to relocate to accompany their partner.*
- *Endeavouring to offer a degree of flexibility in granting leave for Service spouses and partners before, during and after a partner's deployment; RiverSafe will offer a degree of flexibility in granting leave for service spouses and partners before, during and after a partner's deployment.*
- *Seeking to support our employees who choose to be members of the Reserve forces,. Including by accommodating their training and deployment where possible; RiverSafe will offer additional paid annual leave (Personal Time Off) to accommodate mandatory training for reservists*
- *Offering support to our local cadet units in our local community, where possible; RiverSafe will encourage employees to volunteer as Adult Cadet Instructors by supporting their annual training.*

Aiming to actively participate in Armed Forces Day; RiverSafe will encourage employees to support Armed Forces day. RiverSafe will enable and encourage employees to support the Royal British Legion poppy appeal by donating to the cause and supporting the London Poppy Day. RiverSafe will formally observe the 2-minutes silence on Armistice Day regardless of location at the time. RiverSafe will offer Health and Wellbeing services to all employees with service in the Armed Forces.

2.2 We will publicise these commitments through our literature and 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.