

The Armed Forces Corporate Covenant

RRG Rochdale

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 RRG Rochdale

Signed:

Name: Jared Griffin

Position Held: General Manager

Date: 18th December 2013





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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 Corporate Covenant

- 1.1 We RRG Rochdale 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 RRG Rochdale 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 through our website, social media, customer database and display a poster in our business with the Corporate Covenant logo to show our commitment to the Armed Forces;
 - seeking to support the employment of veterans young and old by including the Armed Forces in our recruitment process alongside the Career Transition Partnership;
 - striving to support the employment of Service spouses and partners by advertising any vacancies we have through Service Friendly recruitment agencies;
 - seeking to support our employees who choose to be members of the Reserve forces, including by accommodating their training and deployment where possible with two weeks leave in respect of annual training in addition to annual holiday entitlement;
 - offering support to our local cadet units, either in our local community or in local schools, where possible with both on-site and off-site events and to allow the use of our premises for cadets to use;
 - aiming to actively participate in Armed Forces Day with on-site and off-site displays promoted to our customers and visitors with a week-long themed event, we will actively support Armed Forces Day through social media and our website;

 offering a discount to members of the Armed Forces Community including an additional 10% off car service, MOT & repair work; offering a free two year service plan with any new and used car purchase; offering a free car wash and vac service for the local Armed Forces Community.
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.