



Travel Bed Frequently Asked Questions

We are Little Hiccups. We are a Registered Charity. Charity Number is 1170147. We are also a Charitable Company registered in England and Wales under company number 09692276 and our registered office is at The Barrowbys, 170 Barrowby Lane, Garforth, Leeds, LS25 1NG in the United Kingdom.

1. TO WHOM DO THE RENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY?

The T&C's will apply to the person who is signing for and paying for the rental.

2. WHO CAN RENT?

Any person who: is legally capable of entering into a legally binding contract and is prepared to accept responsibility for the Travel Beds throughout the Hire Period; and

- a) has the means to pay for the hire of the Travel Beds and any associated costs that will be accepted by us (see table below); and

Payment method accepted

Cash
Credit Cards
Debit Cards

Payment will be taken online. A payment link will be emailed to the person signing for the Terms and Conditions.

- b) provides valid identification documents, (A & B & C) as indicated in the table below so that we can verify their identity.
- c) lives in the United Kingdom

Documents Required

A: Passport or Driving Licence
B: Utility Bill or Bank Statement, (which is less than 3 months old on the date you collect the Travel Beds from us) that shows your home address
C: Proof of eligibility. The Travel Beds are for use by parents/carers who have children with disabilities. We will require proof in form of PIP/Motability letter, signed letter from Medical Professional, etc

3. WHO CAN USE THE TRAVEL BEDS?

Any person that is expressly identified on the Rental Agreement as the 'User'

An unauthorised user will not be covered by any of the insurance. If you allow an unauthorised user to use the Travel Beds then you are considered to be in breach of the Contract and you will be responsible for any consequences that may arise as a result. This will include compensating us for any damage caused by you and/or the unauthorised user.

4. WHERE CAN I TAKE THE TRAVEL BEDS?

You must not take our Travel Beds (nor permit the Travel Beds to be taken) outside mainland UK without obtaining our prior written consent.

The Travel Beds intended use can be wherever a normal bed is meant to be used. It can also be used for camping.

4. WHAT TYPE OF TRAVEL BEDS CAN BE RENTED AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE?

You can rent a Travel Bed in accordance with its intended use (see above) as follows:

Travel Beds are suitable for the following sizes. Little Hiccups currently has two different Travel Beds by different companies so you can choose the best for your family. We have a Voyager Compact by SafeSpaces and a Safe & Sound Travel Pod by Creative Care. See below for dimensions and details:

	Voyager Compact	Safe & Sound
Assembled Dimensions (length x width x height)		
Assembled internal dimensions	194cm x 72cm x 92cm.	190cm x 80cm x 145cm
Assemble external dimensions	217cm x 150cm x 138.5cm	216cm x 102cm x 176cm
Mattress thickness:	20cm	5cm
Packed Dimensions		
Holdall 1 (canvas)	100cm x 37cm x 24cm	107cm x 30cm x 28cm
Holdall 2 (poles)	100cm x 37cm x 24cm	107cm x 30cm x 28cm
Holdall 3 (separate mattress)	N/A	95cm x 35cm x 35cm
Weight		
	24.5kg	24kg
Door Opening		
Width x Height:	172cm x 86cm	71cm (bottom) / 108cm (top) x 134cm



Other Information		
Mobile Hoist	Depends on hoist type	Yes
Feeding Tube	No	Yes
Mattress	2 blow up mattresses provided	1 foam mattress
Maximum Weight	None	
Assemble ease	Easy. 1 person 15-20min	Medium. 1 person 20-30min

5. CAN I USE A HOIST?

A mobile hoist can be used with both if necessary. The Safe and Sound would be the best option if you require a hoist as it is elevated off the floor. For the Voyager Compact, it will depend on the type of mobile hoist size as the legs will not be able to go underneath without having to lift the bed up first.

6. CAN I USE A FEEDING TUBE?

The Safe and Sound has been fitted with a Feeding Tube hole. The Voyager Compact has not. We have done one of each as it means that a small hole will be fitted in the side of one, which is not suitable for all children.

7) DO I NEED A MATTRESS?

The Voyager Compact comes with two blow-up mattresses. The Safe and Sound base is suspended like a camp bed so a mattress isn't strictly necessary. We have a Lycra covered one which you are welcome to hire also (included in price). It can be a bit sweaty however so a sheet is recommended. You can also use a folded duvet.

8) HOW EASY IS IT TO ASSEMBLE?

The Voyager Compact is the easier to assemble and took me about 15-20 minutes by myself. The Safe and Sound was less easy and took a little longer. I still managed to do by myself in about 20-30 minutes however.

9) WHAT ARE MY OBLIGATIONS TOWARD THE TRAVEL BEDS?

When renting a Travel Beds from us you must comply with the following obligations:

- a) Subject to any fair wear and tear to the Travel Beds, you will return the Travel Beds to us in the same condition it was in at the start of the Hire Period
- b) Never take the Travel Beds outside mainland UK without our prior written consent.
- c) Use the Travel Beds in accordance with the Manual, (a copy is provided separately);
- d) Ensure that the Travel Beds is used such that it will not be damaged or cause risk to the User or to any third party or to any third party property.
- e) Treat the Travel Beds with due care and respect.
- f) Not smoke near the Travel Beds nor allow anybody else to do so. If we



reasonably think that smoking has happened near the Travel Beds you must pay our cleaning fees.

g) We ask that due to allergy risks of other users that you do not eat in the Travel Beds nor allow anybody else to.

h) Make routine inspections in respect of the Travel Bed's condition: for example, look for tears and take any preventive actions necessary to keep the Travel Beds in good working order.

i) Do not use the Travel Beds nor allow the Travel Beds to be used:

5.i.1. for hire; neither can you mortgage, pawn, sell or in any way pledge or attempt to or give anyone any legal rights over the Travel Beds or any part of it or any of its accessories;

5.i.2. to carry a User which does not meet the manufacturer's recommended weight and height limits;

j) Return the Travel Beds and any accessories at an agreed time to StoreFirst Leeds, 2, Stourton Haigh, Pontefract Rd, Leeds LS10 1AX in the condition that we provided it to you at the start of the Hire Period and by the expiry time and date specified in the Rental Agreement. We allow you a grace period of 30 minutes after the expiry time and date and if you don't return the Travel Beds within this period then we will charge you a daily charge for each day (or part day) that you keep the Travel Beds beyond the expiry time and date specified in the Rental Agreement in the sum of £50. Travel Beds can be collected and returned at a mutually agreed time between 9.30am and 2.00pm Monday to Friday.

k) You must not allow anyone else to use the Travel Beds which includes you deliberately allowing access to the Travel Beds or the access being acquired due to your negligence, negligent act or failure to act.

l) Any breakdown, faults or malfunction of any part of the Travel Beds must be notified to Little Hiccups immediately and use of the Travel Beds stopped. You must not under any circumstances attempt to repair any part of the equipment yourself.

If you fail to fulfil any or all of these obligations then, it may cause the insurance to be compromised and/or invalidated and you will be responsible for and will pay to us all reasonable costs of any detrimental consequences, loss and/ or damage that may arise as a result. In addition we reserve the right to demand immediate return of the Travel Beds if the contracted insurance coverage is compromised and/or invalidated.

10. WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PRICE I PAY?

The information you provide to us at the time of booking (such as the duration of the Hire Period) will determine the price you pay. Any change to that information could therefore also mean that the price changes. The price of your rental will be those prices in force at the time of booking or at the time you make any changes to that booking.

The price you will pay comprises the following items:

a) The daily rental charge for the Travel Beds for the agreed number of calendar days;

b) The cost of insurance.

6.b.1. You will be responsible for paying an amount up to the excess shown



on the Rental Agreement together with all relevant charges and fees each time the Travel Beds is damaged or stolen during the Hire Period whether or not you were at fault. Insurance Excess is £100.

6.b.2. You will not be protected for:

6.b.2.1. loss or damage to the Travel Beds and/or accessories caused by abuse, negligence or breach of the Contract. In these circumstances you will be responsible for and must pay all of our losses and damages and you agree to pay all relevant charges; or

6.b.2.2. any goods or personal possessions that you carry in the Travel Beds (which are carried at your own risk) or which are left in the Travel Beds when you return it to us.

6.b.3. You must comply with all of the terms and conditions of the Contract so that our insurance is not compromised and/or invalidated. If you do not do so then we and/or any provider of insurance (whichever applies) may decline to accept responsibility for any loss or damage arising during the Hire Period. If cover is declined, you will be responsible for and must pay all of the losses and damages that we may incur or suffer as a result and you will pay all relevant charges plus a damage administration fee (as above) for each incident.

11. WHAT ARE THE OTHER FEES / CHARGES THAT I MAY HAVE TO PAY?

a) The Deposit. The deposit will have been explained in the Confirmation email and will need paying before the Travel Bed is hired. This is taken to leave us with some security for any additional charges that may arise during your use of the Travel Beds over the Hire Period. This security is in the form of a financial deposit which is determined by the category of Travel Beds that you are renting from us and the extent of the Hire Period.

b) Any additional fees and charges that are linked to other events which take place during your rental.

c) Cleaning fees for a Travel Beds if it is necessary to return the Travel Beds to the same condition it was in before the start of the Hire Period (including for smoking in or around the Travel Beds).

d) Charges for lost, stolen or damaged parts of the Travel Beds and/or accessories not covered by the insurance.

12. WHAT SHOULD I PAY ATTENTION TO WHEN I PICK UP THE TRAVEL BEDS?

a) When you pick up the Travel Beds from us you will be asked to sign a section on the Rental Agreement that describes the Travel Bed's condition at that particular time. Before you sign the Rental Agreement you should inspect the Travel Beds and any accessories for any pre-existing damage.

b) If you notice any apparent defect or damage that is not described on the Rental Agreement then you should ensure a note is made on the Rental Agreement and that we both sign the change to it.

d) Where it isn't possible to check pre-existing damage to the Travel Beds and any accessories at the time of pick-up you must notify any such damage to us within 24 hours of the start of the Hire Period. Notification of such damage should be made by emailing info@littlehiccups.co.uk



e) If you don't notify us of any pre-existing defect or damage then we will assume that you have accepted the Travel Beds and any accessories in the condition set out on the Rental Agreement and we will charge you for any new damage that is discovered when the Travel Beds and any accessories are inspected by both parties when you return the Travel Beds.

13. WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN I RETURN THE TRAVEL BEDS?

- a) You should return the Travel Beds to the StoreFirst Leeds, 2, Stourton Haigh, Pontefract Rd, Leeds LS10 1AX on the date and at the time shown on the Rental Agreement. Travel Beds can be collected and returned at a mutually agreed time between 9.30am and 2.00pm Monday to Friday.
- b) We are not responsible for any loss or damage to any personal belongings placed in the Travel Beds which will at all times be your responsibility. You must not leave any personal belongings in the Travel Beds when you return it to us (you are responsible for checking and removing your personal belongings from the Travel Beds). Any personal belongings left in the Travel Beds which remain unclaimed 3 months after the end of the Hire Period will be disposed of.
- c) Early Return. If you return the Travel Beds before the return date and time stated on the Rental Agreement then the Hire Period will end when you return the Travel Beds. However, in these circumstances, we will not refund any unused prepaid daily rental or accessory charges to you.
- d) Late Return In the event that the Travel Bed is not returned on the date shown on the Rental Agreement, and if we do not hear from you for a period of 24 hours concerning the delay in its return we will regard the Travel Beds as having been stolen and will report this to the police. We will take all lawful means to recover the Travel Beds (which may include repossessing it or applying for a Court Order requiring you to return it and/or pay us an amount equal to the Travel Bed's market value). If we have to take such steps then:
 - a. you give us permission (and cannot withdraw it) to access your premises for the purposes of repossessing the Travel Beds so long as we do not use unreasonable force or cause damage; and
 - b. you must pay all our reasonable costs (including any legal or professional costs), charges and fees.
- e) When you return the Travel Beds to us you should take the opportunity to: ensure you have removed all of your personal belongings (you are responsible for checking the Travel Beds); and inspect the Travel Beds together with our agent and countersign the check-in document which includes a record of any new damage (from that described on the Rental Agreement at the time of pick up or which you notified to us). You will receive a copy of this signed document. If, during the inspection, we discover new damage to the Travel Beds (from that described on the Rental Agreement at the time of pick up or which you notified to us in accordance with the provisions of section 8 d)) then we will evaluate it and issue an invoice.

14. DAMAGE TO THE TRAVEL BEDS

Under no circumstances must you make or endeavour to make any repairs, alterations or additions to the Travel Beds or any part thereof nor permit any other person to do so without



our prior written consent. Any accident, breakdown or any unsatisfactory working of Travel Beds must be recorded on the Accident and Fault Recording form and immediately notified to us. The Travel Beds must be returned to our premises for examination except where examination elsewhere has been mutually agreed upon. You must notify us immediately if the Travel Beds is involved in any accident resulting in damage to the Travel Beds or to other property, or injury to any person. No allowance for the hire charges or for the cost of repair will be made by us to you unless they have been specifically authorised in writing by us to carry out the repair.

Unless any of the following charges are covered by the insurance, then you will be responsible for the following charges:



- a) The cost of repairing any damage caused to the Travel Beds or other accessories; and/ or which you cause to another party, their property, the Travel Beds they are in and all uninsured losses before the Travel Beds is checked back in by us.
- b) The replacement cost of any accessories which have been lost, stolen or are uneconomical to repair (whether or not you are responsible for the loss unless the loss is due to our fault or negligence or our breach of this Contract or such loss occurred after the Travel Beds is checked back in by us).
- c) Any damage caused to the Travel Beds whilst you have it in your care will be evaluated by us (acting reasonably) and charged according to our cost estimation. Repair costs will vary depending on the extent of the damage.
- d) Please note that depending upon the Insurance and provided you have complied with all applicable policy terms and these T&Cs you may not be charged for the full cost of the damage and the maximum amount you may be required to pay will be the Excess amount (as described in Insurance).

15. WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME REGARDING THE TRAVEL BEDS MAINTENANCE?

Throughout the Hire Period we will expect you to look after the Travel Beds and any accessories against loss or damage (however that arises). If you fail to do so then you will be responsible for all damage and loss and any applicable charges that may arise as a result.

16. WHEN SHALL I RECEIVE MY INVOICE AND PAY FOR THE RENTAL?

You will receive a final invoice once all elements of your rental have been settled. You will pay or be charged the full amount in one lot as agreed between us.

You must prepay for your booking online. Your means of payment will be debited by the agreed amount, but you will not receive an invoice for that prepayment as the confirmation email will be deemed the receipt for this.

17. WHAT IF I WANT TO CANCEL OR MODIFY MY BOOKING?

- a) You can modify your booking free of charge provided you let us know at least 24 hours before the Hire Period is due to start. We will let you know if the modification to your booking is possible.
- b) You can cancel your booking free of charge provided that you have given us at least 24 hours notice before the Hire Period is due to start.
- c) If you have not cancelled your reservation and fail to pick up the Travel Beds then your prepayment will not be refunded.
- d) If we cancel the booking you will be fully reimbursed for any sums that you have paid to us for the booking.

18. WHAT IF I WANT TO EXTEND MY RENTAL AGREEMENT?

In case you want to extend the Hire Period shown on your Rental Agreement you must contact us at least 1 working day before the end of the Hire Period

- a) If we agree to extend the Hire Period you must pay us the additional daily rate and any additional insurance before the end of the original Hire Period.
- b) If you do not contact us in time, if we consider it to be appropriate then we will also have the right, without prior notice, to take any legal action necessary to effect the



immediate return of the Travel Beds. Please note that unless we expressly agree to the extension you will no longer be insured.

19. WHAT HAPPENS IN CASE OF DISPUTE RELATED TO MY RENTAL?

The applicable law will be English law and subject to the jurisdiction of the English and Welsh courts.

Our Responsibilities.

- a) If we are in breach of this Contract we will not be responsible for any losses (including any loss of profits, loss of business, business interruption, or loss of business opportunity) or damages that are not foreseeable
- b) We will be responsible for: Personal injury or death that is caused by our negligence; and losses or damages which are a foreseeable consequence of our breach of this Contract or our negligence up to a maximum value of your payment for the rental of the Travel Beds and any associated accessories. Loss or damage is foreseeable if it is obvious that it will happen or if, at the time the Contract was made, both we and you knew it might happen.

Whether you call us or write to us we'll aim to respond to your query or complaint within 10 working days of receiving your communication. If we can't respond in these timescales, we'll tell you why and let you know when we aim to reply to you. If we have to contact you we will do so by telephone or by writing to you at the email address or postal address you provided to us at the time of your booking.

20. GENERAL

- a) All notifications that need to be served on either you or us in regard to your Rental Agreement will be sent to the address indicated in the Rental Agreement unless either of us notifies the other party to the contrary.
- b) If the Contract ends it will not affect our rights under the Contract including the right to receive and/or claim any amounts which you owe to us under the Contract.
- c) If you end the Contract after the Travel Bed is delivered to you, you must return the Travel Bed to us.

