

# Vintage Automobile Association of WA (Inc)

## *Trailer Hire Conditions:*

1. The Trailer will only be hired to financial members of the VAA.
2. The Member must hold a valid Australian Drivers Licence (and allows for towing of the trailer)
3. The hire fee will be \$50 per hire (maximum 1 week).
4. MAXIMUM LOAD ON CAR TRAILER 1.2 TONES (1200KG).
5. The Aggregate Trailer Mass (i.e. mass of trailer plus load) MUST NOT exceed the maximum towing capacity of the tow vehicle as specified by the vehicle manufacturer. The towing capacity of vehicles is usually provided in the vehicle operator's hand book. Also check towbars manufacturers specification plate on towbar as the two may differ.
6. The trailer may not be towed by a vehicle whose unladen weight is less than the total weight of the trailer and any equipment or load on the trailer.
7. The Member will at or before the commencement of hire inspect and confirm for themselves that the trailer is in a good and serviceable condition.
8. The Member acknowledges that safety chains and proper lights are required and it is their responsibility to comply with all applicable rules and regulations including load capacity and operation of the trailer and of the towing car.
9. Safety chains must be attached to tow vehicle correctly.
10. All lights must be working correctly. It is recommended that you drive with your lights on to increase visibility to other drivers while towing.
11. Use of the winch:
  - Please place a bag or rag on the cable between the winch and item being winched.
  - Before commencing to load a vehicle, the tyres are to be inflated to the tyres recommended PSI.
  - Maximum load for Winch is S.W.L. 1000kg, not designed for lifting and keep clear of all moving parts.
  - The winch is not to be used for securing load under any circumstances.
  - The winch is not to be used to unload a vehicle under any circumstances.
  - Before using winch ensure the ratchet on the winch is engaged and keep engaged at all times under load.
  - Do not release cable to its full extent.

- Do not load the trailer unless the area directly behind is clear for 20 metres and load on level ground.

12. The Member agrees to ensure:

- that the loads or part thereof will not under any circumstances part from or leave the trailer during transit
- the load is secured using suitable tie down materials. (The Member agrees not to use the winch on the car carrier to secure the load).
- to have the coupling attached to the tow vehicle at all times when loading, whilst loaded and during unloading. The jockey wheel is for raising and lowering the trailer and is not to be used to manoeuvre the trailer.

13. The Member must not exceed 80km per hour or less where lower speed limits apply.

14. The Member shall use the trailer in a skilful and proper manner and shall not speed or overload it or use it other than for its normal intended purpose.

15. The Member agrees to insure his/her own property and towing vehicle against loss or damage for any reason whatsoever prior to loading or towing the trailer and agrees that no claim for loss or damage to such property or vehicle shall be made against the VAA and the trailer owner.

16. The Member is responsible for keeping the trailer secure. The Member accepts full liability for any costs and expenses of repair or replacement relating to the trailer or vehicle in the event that the trailer or vehicle is lost, stolen or in any way damaged.

17. The Member shall indemnify and keep indemnified and save harmless the VAA and trailer owner and the VAA and trailer owner's servants and agents from and against all liability, expenses, damages, suits, actions, claims and demands of every description whatsoever and howsoever arising either directly or indirectly from the use, maintenance, transport, operation of the trailer (by the Member and those for whom it is responsible) or otherwise

18. Upon completion of the hiring, the trailer should be properly cleaned by the Member.