

## **Beach Wheelchair Hire 2022**

## ALL TERRAIN WHEELCHAIR – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF HIRE

- 1. The hirer must fully read and understand the terms and conditions prior to the beach wheelchair being taken from Great Yarmouth Sea Life Centre or Ocean Room.
- 2. The hirer/user of the beach wheelchair accepts and uses the wheelchair completely at their own risk.
- 3. The user must ensure that the wheelchair is suitable for their needs and are able to transfer into it safely.
- 4. The hirer will return the wheelchair to Great Yarmouth Sea Life Centre or Ocean Room no later than 4pm on the day of hire, unless otherwise agreed.
- 5. The hirer must take full responsibility for the wheelchair and return it in good condition.
- 6. The wheelchair should not be left unattended at any time. The wheelchair must not be dismantled. It is for use on Great Yarmouth or Gorleston Beach only.
- 7. The hirer will be responsible for the cost of making good or repair if the wheelchair is returned damaged, soiled, or dirty after use. An inspection of the equipment will be made upon its return by staff at Great Yarmouth Sea Life Centre or Ocean Room.
- 8. Great Yarmouth Sea Life Centre/Ocean Room reserves the right to refuse the loan of the equipment.
- 9. The hirer / user of the beach wheelchair agrees to read and abide by the basic safety rules outlined below.

## **BASIC SAFETY RULES**

- 1. It is very important that the Hirer/s are confident in the use of the Beach Wheelchair and thoroughly familiarise themselves with their safe operation before the beginning of the hire.
- 2. The manufacturer's recommended maximum weight is 22 stone (308lbs) and a child's minimum height is 3ft tall.
- 3. Wheels should be in the forward position during transfer. Wheel locks should also be engaged whenever the wheelchair is on a slope and an attendant is not present.
- 4. Do not step on the footrest during transfer as this could cause the wheelchair to tip. Raise the armrests, entering and exiting the chair from the side only. Ensure that the wheel locks are engaged during transfer.
- 5. Do not use the armrests during transfer.
- 6. Know your own limitations in terms of strength and endurance before attempting any manoeuvres.
- 7. Do not submerge the wheelchair in water.
- 8. When in the wheelchair, use sunscreen or an umbrella to avoid sunburn.
- 9. The wheelchair frame can become hot when left outdoors during hot weather.
- 10. Do not allow children to stand on the bar at the back of the wheelchair.
- 11. The wheelchair is designed for use on the beach, where it is much easier to control than on hard surfaces. Its use on pavements should therefore be restricted to travelling to and from the beach.

Signature:

Print Name:

Date: