



## LAND ROVER OWNERS' CLUB OF TASMANIA INC

### HINTS FOR MEMBERS ON CLUB OUTINGS

#### **BEFORE THE TRIP:**

- ☑ Familiarise yourself with any special trip conditions in the Trip Preview in the club magazine. Register your intention to participate with the Trip Leader.
- ☑ If unable to participate in a trip at the last minute, inform the Trip Leader. This will avoid the frustration of pointless waiting by trip participants.
- ☑ Ensure you have your red envelope with your Personal Details form completed. In the event of any sort of emergency, this information may expedite medical assistance.
- ☑ At the trip meeting point, please sign on to the Trip Attendance sheet held by the Trip Leader. This is a requirement to comply with our insurance cover.

#### **ON THE HIGHWAY:**

- ① Consider the needs and feelings of other convoy members and other road users.
- ① Maintain at least 6 car lengths between vehicles.
- ① Remain in the order set by the leader.
- ① Wait at any doubtful intersection until the vehicle behind you follows you.
- ① Render any help required by other members of the convoy. Inform others if required by UHF radio.
- ① Use your UHF radio to advantage during the trip. Do not hog the airways – sometimes important route or other information is needed. Short pauses between messages allows others to break in to the conversation.
- ① Carry enough fuel to avoid unscheduled stops.
- ① Tell the leader if you intend to leave the convoy at any time.

#### **IN THE BUSH:**

- ① Consider your fellow travellers and those who may come after you — help with clearing the track or other track improvement operations.
- ① Wait for the vehicle ahead to negotiate difficult spots before you move into the track obstacle, in case it requires assistance. Similarly wait for the vehicle behind after you negotiate the track obstacle.
- ① Engage your front hubs (if you have them) BEFORE getting into the rough going. It's not smart to push on when you should be in 4WD(four wheel drive), as poor traction in 2WD causes excessive wheel spin and chops up the track, creating damage and potential injury.
- ① Keep to a reasonable pace—we're out to have fun not to set records.
- ① Render all possible assistance to other convoy members as required.

#### **AROUND THE CAMPSITE AND AT TEA/MEAL BREAKS:**

- ① Take the utmost care with campfires, keep its environs clear and don't light one at all if conditions are obviously tinder dry. When breaking camp, ensure the fire is completely out with water and the ashes cold to the touch. NEVER LIGHT ANY FIRE ON PEAT SOILS SUCH AS BUTTONGRASS.
- ① Use toilet tents and Porta Potti's when in camp. It is very convenient and hygienic, especially with small children in the group. If this facility does not appeal, please answer the call well

away from camp and at least one hundred metres from any stream. Be sure to bury all faecal wastes deeply.

- ① Keep all your non burnable refuse (particularly plastics) together and take it with you in your vehicle to an approved refuse disposal site.
- ① Burn all combustible rubbish safely — this does not include glass beverage bottles or aluminium containers.

#### **DON'TS ON THE HIGHWAY:**

- ⊗ Don't engage in any behaviour and/or driving practices which will discredit yourself or the Club.
- ⊗ Don't overtake the lead vehicle.
- ⊗ Don't ignore speed limits and other rules of the road. Speed cameras are everywhere these days!

#### **DON'TS IN THE BUSH:**

- ⊗ Don't crowd the driver in front.
- ⊗ Don't chatter unnecessarily on the radio in rough going-route instructions must have priority.
- ⊗ Don't engage in tomfoolery or competition which may result in personal injury, vehicle damage or irreparable adverse effect on the terrain.
- ⊗ Don't leave any gates any other way than you found them (leave open if open, closed if closed).
- ⊗ Don't use any metal shackles or other joining devices in conjunction with 'snatch' straps or ropes for vehicle recovery. These items can become dangerous projectiles in the event of any mishap.
- ⊗ Don't allow anyone to remain close to a winch cable during winching operations. Cables can break under load and whip about very forcefully.. A sheet of material (groundsheet or similar) over the cable during recovery can also reduce the potential for injury.

#### **DON'TS AROUND THE CAMPSITE:**

- ⊗ Don't play loud music of any kind without checking to find if everyone approves beforehand.