



## General Policy Guideline Agreement

We are delighted that you are considering *The Knutsford Court Hotel* for your function. The following guidelines will prove beneficial in planning your event. Please note that our professional sales & catering team is readily available to answer any queries.

### **Menus**

Wide selections of menu items are available for your perusal. Please note, however, that should you require additional items our Executive Chef will only be too happy to design a customized menu of your choice. Menu selection along with supporting details is required in writing; hand delivered or via e-mail/facsimile (906-2224) minimum ten (10) days prior to your event date. A 24-hour response is required for events with less than 10 days lead time.

### **GCT (General Consumption Tax)**

A 16.5% General Consumption Tax, is additional to all prices quoted. Please note taxes are subject to change without notice.

### **Service Charge:**

A 10% service charge is additional to all prices quoted and is non-negotiable. For public holidays, a 20% service charge is applicable.

### **Room Layout and Menu Selections:**

Menu selections, meeting room set-up requirements and any other arrangements must be received no later than ten (10) working days (minimum) prior to the event. A 24-hour response is required for events with less than 10 days lead time. Function rooms are assigned according to the anticipated guaranteed number of guests. The hotel reserves the right to reassign rooms booked based on total commitments.

### **Venue Access Time:**

Access to assigned function room is 2 hours prior to the scheduled time for which event is booked, unless otherwise negotiated with the hotel. Early access fee may apply.

### **Deposit / Payment Policy:**

A 50% deposit or a minimum of J\$25,000 is required no later than 2 weeks from the date of your reservation. The balance is due seven (7) working days in advance of the respective function dates. Payment can be made by credit/debit card, cash or manager's cheque (*non-negotiable where credit facility is not given*). For functions booked within five (5) working days or less of the actual function date, full payment is required within 24 hours of that tentative booking made. The hotel reserves the right to cancel the space booked without prior notice if deposit is not received within the stipulated/agreed period mentioned above.

For Weddings: The balance is due fourteen (14) working days prior to the date of the wedding.

### **Credit Accounts:**

Only companies with established credit accounts will be allowed direct billing privileges for function charges. A 50% deposit supported by a purchase order is required once value of function is J\$50, 000 or more. A purchase order must be received prior to the event. If a company books a function five (5) working days or less to the actual function date a purchase order or full payment as stipulated must be received by the hotel within the next 24 hours of that tentative booking made.



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Any balance on your account not being settled on that day, must be paid within the stipulated time of your invoice to avoid the possibility of interest charges being imposed as under on a monthly basis:

0-14 days = 0%
15-60 days = 5%
61-90 days = 7.5%
91 days & over = 10%

### Force Majeure:

*The Knutsford Court Hotel* shall not be held liable for failure to carry out arrangements as mentioned which are caused by industrial disputes, acts of God or any events beyond the control of the hotel. In such instances the hotel reserves the right to enforce the relevant penalties as outlined under the cancellation policy

### Cancellation Policy:

If deposits/payments are not received by the specified review date, the booking may be subject to cancellation. Re-instatement of space will be made only upon receipt of payment and to the extent function space is available.

- Events cancelled thirty (30) days in advance will get a full refund of deposits paid, **EXCEPT** for Wedding Receptions (*Jan. 1 – Dec. 31*) and events booked within the Christmas season (*Dec. 5- Jan. 10*). Deposits on these events (currently JAS\$25,000.00) are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- Events cancelled less than thirty (30) days in advance will attract a 20% cancellation fee, based on the total estimated charges.
- Events cancelled less than 72 hours in advance will attract a 40% cancellation fee, based on the total estimated charges.
- Events cancelled less than 24 hours will attract full payment based on total estimated charges.

***All cancellations must be submitted in writing, refunds will be made by cheque only.***

### Audio-visual aids:

The hotel provides a wide array of audio-visual aids. Please see costing attached. If you desire you may bring your own equipment. The hotel must receive a complete list of equipment to be brought into the hotel no later than 48 hours prior to the function. This will ensure that adequate power supplies etc. are available. All equipment brought into the Hotel must be collected within 24 hours of completion of any event. The hotel will not be held liable for any equipment left on the property by organizers.

### Florists:

The hotel can make floral arrangements on your behalf at an additional cost except for Wedding Receptions where a list of recommended decorators can be provided. However, should you opt to use your own florist, please note that all arrangements must be verified with the hotel in order to ensure they are within the hotel's policy.

### Photographers, Videographers and Musicians:

Our catering staff would be delighted to assist you in making arrangements for all the above services.



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### **Linens, Cutlery and Crockery:**

The hotel, at no additional cost, provides white tablecloths, napkins and cutlery. The hotel where possible will try to match the colour scheme with napkins; however there may be an additional charge for other colours.

### **Beverage & Corkage:**

The Courtleigh Hotel & Suites, as a licensee, is responsible for the administration of the sale and service of alcoholic beverages in accordance with local liquor regulations. It is our policy therefore, that all liquor must be supplied by the hotel.

A corkage fee of **\$300.00** per bottle is applicable to guest who wish to bring wine/champagne only. The hotel does not allow hard liquor, soft drinks or beer to be brought into the hotel.

### **Banner/Signs:**

All banners/ signs etc. must be received at least 24 hours prior to the function. Special rails are installed to accommodate banners etc. Any mounting material to be used must be approved by the hotel catering team. Pins, tacks, nails, staples or two-sided tape are not permitted in the function areas. The hotel will assist where possible in providing the appropriate hooks and tape to hang/mount banners and signs. All banners/signs brought into the hotel must be collected within 24 hours of completion of any event. The hotel will not be held liable for any signs/banners left on the property by organizers. The hotel further reserves the right to discard such material in their possession in excess of seven (7) days after an event.

### **Additional Hours:**

If contracted function time is exceeded or additional hours are requested a supplementary fee becomes applicable. No event is allowed to go beyond 2:00am.

### **Wedding**

A comprehensive wedding package is offered which includes complimentary suite for the bride and groom. Conditions apply.

The hotel does not provide wedding cakes, but our catering staff can make recommendations on qualified bakers. You are also required to supply your own cake knife for cutting the wedding cake. The hotel will assist with the serving of the wedding cake as dessert however, a separate cake (pre-sliced) for the number of persons guaranteed must be provided 24 hours prior to the event date.

### **Boxing of Left-over Food:**

Due to Health and Hygiene standards the hotel will not box any left-over food after a function. Clients are encouraged to ensure that the guaranteed numbers closely, if not exactly, reflect your expected number of attendees. Guaranteed numbers are required 48 hours prior to a function. It is the minimum number that will be catered and charged for.

Additionally, please note in keeping with our hygiene standards the hotel disposes of any left-over food items.

### **Use of Hotel Marks/Trade name:**

Permission must be first obtained from the Hotel's Management before use of the Hotel's Trade name or marks. The hotel cannot be listed as a sponsor unless there is a written sponsorship agreement in place signed by both parties. ***Covering our brand name (Logo) is prohibited unless approved by the Hotel Manager.***



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### **Liability/Insurance:**

The hotel reserves the right to inspect and control all private functions. The hotel will not assume responsibility for the damage to, or loss of, any merchandise or articles left in the hotel (inclusive of meeting rooms) prior to, during or following on events. If valuable items must be left in any banquet area, it is recommended that a security guard(s) be retained through our Sales Department at the client's expense.

Though the hotel will take all necessary care, it cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to the property of the client or the contractors. Therefore, the clients should arrange their own insurance. It is also the responsibility of the client to provide personal insurance to cover for their employees and contractors.

### **Contractors and Sub-contractors:**

Contractors and sub-contractors appointed by the client or indeed by *The Knutsford Court Hotel* on behalf of the client, must at all times abide by the Hotel's regulations as outlined in all documentations and instruction given by the Hotel's management whilst on the premises. Clients are liable for any damage sustained to the Hotel's property, whether through their appointed contractors or sub-contractors.

### **Parking:**

Parking is provided however, the hotel will not be held liable for any damage, lost or theft of property. Parking is at owner's risk. Reserved parking is on request and restricted to a maximum of five (5) spaces.

### **CONFIRMATION:**

Please sign and return copy within 24 hours of your booking thereby indicating acceptance of these terms and conditions. Any subsequent changes will be agreed upon in writing between Client and the Sales Representative.

The foregoing terms and conditions are hereby accepted.

Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Client Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_