# Kapiti Boating Club Tractor Contract and Guidelines



Kapiti Boating Club Incorporated (the Club) provides members who pay a fee and sign this contract with a tractor key. Failing to adhere to some of the conditions in this document can render the signer liable to an account for damages or for ejection from the Club.

Note that because of changes in Health & Safety laws we must ensure that you are aware of the hazards of driving on a beach and launching with people in the water and on the beach. For this reason we prefer to personally hand over the key and witness your signature.

If you have any questions regarding these rules or the care and use of the tractors, please contact a member of the Club Committee.

The Club reserves the right to amend the guidelines and rules at any time and will advise all key holders of any amendments.

## Ownership

A club tractor is the property of the Club, and the maintenance of the tractors is a responsibility of the Club Committee.

The issue of a key to any member does not imply any share of ownership of the tractors. The tractors remain the property of the Club.

## Contract terms for use of the tractors

Key holders and any tractor driver must have a full valid car licence.

Key holders may not sell, give or loan their key to other members or other persons.

Key holders have the right to use a tractor to launch their own boat, a boat which is jointly owned by them and another person or a boat which is not theirs but which they will be aboard after launch – but no others.

Key holders must report tractor problems to a member of the Club Committee.

Key holders may NOT take the tractor deeper than the top of the front tyres.

Breaking the terms of this contract may result in the Club Committee revoking your right to use the tractors and suspending or terminating your membership.

As examples:

Any key holder can launch their own boat even if they are not going out in it.

A key holder going fishing in another person's boat can launch that boat with their key.

A key holder cannot launch a boat owned by someone else if they are not going out in it.

The Club Committee may allow exceptions to these terms for scheduled events.

## Key Subscriptions

To obtain a tractor key you must be a financial member of the Club with voting rights. The key fee is an annual fee in addition to Club membership subscription.

The key is for recreational club boating users only. Commercial options are available on enquiry.

The key fee will be used by the Club to fund tractor operating, capital costs, fuel, repairs and maintenance, accommodation and the establishment of a tractor replacement fund.

The annual key subscription will be set by the Club Committee to cover funding requirements.

#### Tractor Availability

Tractor maintenance may take priority from time to time.

While the Coastguard does have its own tractor, in the event of an emergency Coastguard Kapiti Coast's immediate needs will take priority over launching and retrieval activities of club members.

While the Club tries to ensure continuous availability of a tractor, it cannot guarantee this and does not accept liability arising from lack of availability.

#### Guidelines for use of the tractors:

When your launch or retrieval is complete, please park the tractor:-

On the beach in front of the Clubhouse UNLESS you are the last boat in

Above the high tide mark

With the battery isolation switch locked

With your trailer disconnected and your key removed

Do NOT use the tractor to tow your boat up to the wash-down area unless you are the last boat in. The tractor should be used only on the beach. Do not immerse the tractor above the top of the front tyres. Going deeper than this can cause the tractor motor to take breaking crests causing electrical and mechanical damage which you will be liable for. It may also cause your boat to override the trailer and tractor rendering you liable for impact damage.

Only persons with a full car licence are permitted to drive the tractors (legally the beach is a road), and for public liability insurance reasons the Club preference is that only club members drive the tractors and only after they have viewed the instructional video available on the club website or at the club.

Your boat trailer should be identified with the coloured tag provided by fixing it to your trailer drawbar, boat

safety chain, or winch post. Failure to have the current tag attached to the trailer may result in you being refused use of the tractor.

Consider other club users by launching/retrieving promptly, particularly at busy times. Please feel free to assist other key holders with their trailers during busy times to expedite launching.

Your boat must be ready to launch before being attached to the tractor!

If you are the last tractor user of the day (or second to last if two tractors are out) please tow your boat to the washdown area, wash the tractor and your boat thoroughly, put the tractor away in the tractor shed and lock the shed.

If the tractor breaks down, fails to start or becomes bogged, contact the club Commodore or a Club Committee member.

The tractor is a multiple user asset, operating in a very corrosive environment, and its continued availability is subject to the members taking care of it. Please leave the tractor as you would expect to find it – ie clean, accessible, locked and in good working order.

Any abuse or misuse is usually reported to the committee, and may result in the withdrawal of tractor access for the member concerned.



The Kapiti Boating Club welcomes you as a tractor key holder.

Your key gives you 24/7 access to the Clubs purpose built tractors for launching or retrieving your boat.

In signing this form, you agree to abide by the contract terms as issued to you with the keys.

I have read and understood the contract terms and agree to abide by the terms and guidelines provided.

Members Name (please print)	Signature	Email
Shared key co-owner(s) names:	Signatures	Emails
Signed for KBC by	Date	Key Number