



## **Netweather & WeatherHolidays storm chase tours to the USA 2020**

Please read these terms and conditions carefully, booking a place on any of the Netweather/WeatherHolidays (MBC Netweather Ltd) tours constitutes an agreement to them in full.

### **2020 Tour Dates:**

Tour 1 (Start point – Dallas Fort Worth)

Arrive: 5th May

Depart: 16th May

Tour 2 (Start point – Dallas Fort Worth)

Arrive: 16th May

Depart: 27th May

Tour 3 (Start point – Denver)

Arrive: 29th May

Depart: 9th June

Tour 4 (Start point - Denver)

Arrive: 9th June

Depart: 20th June

Tour 5 (Start point - Denver)

Arrive: 20th June

Depart: 1st July

Northern Plains and Canada (Start point - Denver)

Arrive: 1st July

Depart: 12th July

Arizona (Start point - Phoenix)

Arrive: TBA

Depart: TBA

**A payment plan may be available at the time of booking, if you decide to use this facility, the following terms will apply:**

If the payment plan is suspended due to a missed payment it must be restarted within 1 month with arrangements made to clear any overdue amount, or the

agreement may be terminated and tour place(s) cancelled. In this instance a refund based on the cancellation schedule below will be provided. MBC Netweather Ltd will not be liable for any other subsequent or consequential costs or claims for compensation.

To secure your place a deposit of £150 per person is required at the time of booking, with the balance becoming due on or before 30th March 2020 (30th April 2020 for the Canada & High Plains Tour, 31st May for the Arizona Tour), .  
**The deposit is non-refundable.**

### **Cancellation Schedule**

If you cancel your place the following schedule applies:

Cancellation prior to November 2019: Loss of deposit only.

Cancellation between November 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 & December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019: Loss of deposit + 25% of final balance.

Cancellation between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 and January 31<sup>st</sup> 2020: Loss of deposit + 50% of final balance.

Cancellation between February 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 and February 28<sup>th</sup> 2020: Loss of deposit + 75% of final balance.

Cancellation after March 1<sup>st</sup> 2020: Loss of deposit + Full total of final balance.

### **Accommodation**

Shared hotel accommodation during the tour is included within (room shared with 1 other member of the group), single rooms are available on a first come first served basis at an additional supplement of £550 per tour. Although we will always do our best to accommodate single room requests, it is possible that due to space limitations at hotels, single rooms cannot be guaranteed on every night of the tour, no refunds can be given in this instance.

### **Tour Costs**

The price of the tour does not include food, flights to or from the meeting point (Dallas Fort Worth airport / Denver Airport / Phoenix Sky Harbor), travel insurance or any other incidental costs you may incur, such as souvenirs, extra items of clothing etc. It does include accommodation, travel within the USA (as part of the tour group) and services of your driver/guide and forecaster.

In the event of MBC Netweather Ltd (Netweather) cancelling the tour that you are booked to take part in, you will receive a full refund of all monies paid with respect to the booking. In no circumstances will MBC Netweather Ltd

(Netweather) be liable for any other subsequent or consequential costs or claims for compensation.

### **Arrival day**

Please ensure that your planned arrival time at the meet point for the tour is no later than 1800 (local time). Those with flights due to arrive later than this time may be required to make their own travel arrangements to join the tour.

### **Departure day**

Please book your return flights to depart no earlier than 1300 on departure day, as there may be some travel time to the airport that morning.

### **Safety whilst on the tour**

The team will brief you on safety during the tour, please take heed of this and any instructions they give you. When chasing, it is paramount you only exit the vehicle when it is safe to do so. Once out of the vehicle, do not venture far from either the vehicles or the group, and if asked by the team (either verbally or by a beep of the horns), please return to the vehicles asap.

### **Voluntary early departure from the tour**

Should you wish to leave the tour early for any reason, MBC Netweather will not be liable for any additional costs you may incur, including but not limited to transportation and accommodation. In addition to this, no refunds can be given for an early departure.

### **Behaviour whilst on the tour**

Our tours are a shared experience. If your behaviour negatively impacts other guests, the team will ask you to remedy this. In the case of ongoing issues and a refusal to remedy any behaviours which are causing issues, MBC Netweather reserves the right to ask you to leave the tour. At this point, MBC Netweather will not be liable for any subsequent costs you may incur, and will not refund the cost or part cost of the tour.

Should your behaviour seriously impact or endanger team members, other guests or those in the vicinity who may not be connected to the tour, we may without warning, ask you to leave the tour. Again, in this instance, MBC Netweather will not be liable for any subsequent costs you may incur and no refunds of the tour cost will be given.

Examples of behaviours which may result in you being asked to immediately leave the tour include, but are not limited to:

Violence, drug taking, drinking or drunken behaviour whilst in or around the chase vehicle, repeated refusal to return to the chase vehicles in a timely fashion during the chase, theft, hateful or abusive language.

## **Force Majeure**

Cancellation refunds may not be payable in the event of circumstances that are beyond the control of MBC Netweather Ltd – these events may include (but are not limited to) war, riots, civil strife, terrorism, industrial disputes, natural (or industrial ) disaster, fire, WHO or foreign office advice, adverse weather condition, airport closures/delays or epidemics.

In addition to these terms – if booking on any of the tours you do so on the understanding that a film crew and/or photographers may be in attendance to film the tour. Your agreement to take a place on this tour will constitute your agreement to allow them to film you during the course of the tour, you are granting MBC Netweather Ltd (Netweather) and the filming company a worldwide perpetual, royalty free, non-exclusive license to reproduce, modify, make available, distribute and sublicense the content of the film.

## **Entry to the USA**

British Citizen passport holders, travelling on valid EU or national passports for tourism of 90 days or less, may be eligible to travel visa free under the Visa Waiver Programme. Detailed information on visa free travel is available from the Embassy's website [www.usembassy.org.uk](http://www.usembassy.org.uk) or from the live operator service on 09061 500590 (calls cost £1.50/min). Travellers with a criminal record, the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act does not apply to U.S. visa law, those afflicted with certain serious communicable diseases, narcotics addicts or abusers, drug traffickers, and anyone who has been deported from or denied admission into the United States must apply for a visa before travelling. The British passport must be valid for at least 90 days from the date of entry into the United States, if not, the holder will be admitted only until the date on which the passport expires. As of April 2016 all visitors to the United States must have a machine readable, biometric passport (biometric passports have a small camera logo on the front).

At least 48 hours prior to entry to the USA all visitors must also fill out their details on the ESTA system – you can find more information about this here: <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>

## **UNDERSTANDING AND ASSUMPTION OF THE RISKS**

I acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the tour being provided. I am voluntarily participating in this tour with full knowledge of the hazards involved in such participation. I am aware that storm chasing is very hazardous, and contains inherent elements of risk of injury, illness, death, and/or property damage and/or loss.

Typical hazards include, but are not limited to; hydroplaning, traffic accidents, flying objects, hail, wind (tornadic or otherwise), lightning, floods, mental trauma caused by exposure to severe storm damage and victims, loss of personal property from the vehicle, variable and treacherous road surfaces and

conditions, biting insects, spiders, reptiles, and negligence of other storm chasers.

I understand, agree and accept that situations may arise during the tour that may be beyond the immediate control of the tour leaders and MBC Netweather Ltd. Such situations include, by way of example, and not limitation, the dangers of being overtaken by the storm and its associated hazards while attempting to escape the storm or while attempting to establish a position from which to view the storm.

I understand, agree and accept that the types of weather conditions to which we will be exposing ourselves are ever changing, unpredictable, and life threatening. I am also aware that medical facilities may not be readily available or accessible during some or all of the time in which I am participating in the tour. In order to partake of the enjoyment and excitement of this adventure tour, I am fully willing to accept the risks and uncertainty as being an integral part of the adventure.

I understand that the practice of “storm chasing” is an unpredictable endeavor and that the possibility exists that there will be no storm activity in our vicinity during the time of our tour. Moreover, there may be storm activity that is occurring but which is inaccessible for numerous reasons.

I understand and agree that I have been given no verbal or written assurance, either expressed or implied, that I will witness any storm activity and also understand that the amount of money paid for the tour is not refundable regardless of the amount of storm activity witnessed.

**I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH STORM CHASING AND I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS RESULTING FROM STORM CHASING.**

**We require all guests to take out adequate travel insurance for the duration of their trip and may ask to see the policy certificate prior to the tour beginning. We strongly advise you to take out full travel insurance at the time of booking, which may cover you for the cancellation fees (as per the schedule above) should you need to cancel your place.**

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I agree to the terms and conditions as set out above.

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(Print Name)

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(Signed)

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(Date)

Please tick here if you wish to reserve a single room occupancy during the tour. Please see information on this above (A £550 surcharge will be added to your final balance).

Please send this form back to Netweather/WeatherHolidays (MBC Netweather Ltd) using one of the following methods:

Email: [team@netweather.tv](mailto:team@netweather.tv)

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