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<b>DRY FREIGHT BOX VAN</b> 	<b>GARMENT DROP FRAME BOX VAN</b> 	<b>PSK FLAT TRAILER</b> 	<b>COIL CARRIER</b> 
<b>EUROLINER - SLIDING ROOF</b> 	<b>TAUTLINER OR CURTAINSIDE</b> 	<b>DOUBLE DECK CURTAINSIDE</b> 	<b>DOUBLE DECK BOX VAN</b> 
<b>EXTENDABLE FLAT</b> 	<b>EXTENDABLE DROP FRAME</b> 	<b>WALKING FLOOR TRAILER</b> 	<b>EJECTOR TRAILER 105C/YARD - 120C/YARD</b> 
<b>SLIDING SKELETAL</b> 	<b>DROP FRAME SKELETAL</b> 	<b>STANDARD RIGID SKELETAL</b> 	<b>Visit our website at <a href="http://www.ashcrofttrailer.co.uk">www.ashcrofttrailer.co.uk</a> for more information and pictures</b>

## 2012 Holiday Closures

- New Year's Day** 2nd January
- Easter Monday** 9th April
- Easter Tuesday** 10th April
- May Day** 7th May
- July holidays** 12th & 13th July
- Christmas** 24th December until 2nd January

## CONTACT US:

At Ashcroft Trailers we're always happy to discuss your requirements and help you choose the right trailers and services at the right price. To discuss your requirements call or email us now.

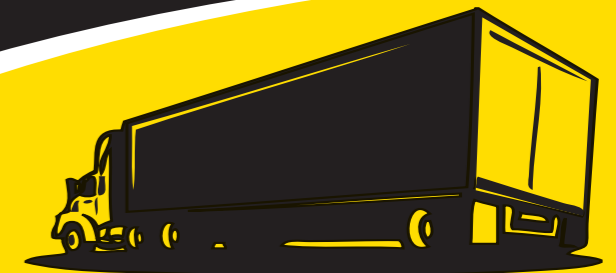
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# Ashcroft Trailer Hire



ARTICULATED TRAILER HIRE | SALES | REPAIRS

## Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year To All Our Customers!

We wish all our customers the very best for the festive period and New Year.

Thank you all for custom in 2011 and we look forward to seeing you again in 2012.

With our kind wishes  
From all the team



## Christmas 2011 Holiday Closures

We will be operating a reduced service during the Christmas and New Year break.

Please be aware that we will be closing on Friday 23rd December and reopening on Tuesday 3rd January.

Please contact Neil [neil@ashcrofttrailer.co.uk](mailto:neil@ashcrofttrailer.co.uk) or Robert [sales@ashcrofttrailer.co.uk](mailto:sales@ashcrofttrailer.co.uk) if you have any hire or maintenance requirements during this time so that it can be arranged before the Christmas break.



## New Restrictions On Trailer Heights From The EU

The European Commission has proposed to introduce a standard height of 4 metres for all lorry trailers in Europe. The proposal would bring the UK into line with the twenty other EU member states that currently impose the height limit. Most of the UK's semi-trailer fleet have a height of 4.25 metres or greater, while double-deck trailers, which account for 3.5% of the UK's articulated vehicle traffic, are up to 4.95 metres tall.

According to the FSB (Federation of Small Business), if companies using semi trailers are forced to replace them with 4 metre high trailers this would result in an increase of between 4% and 16% in lorry kilometres. At best, it would mean lorries having to travel an additional 400 million kilometres, resulting in an annual increase of 300,000 tonnes in carbon emissions. At worst, an additional 1,800 million kilometres a year, resulting in an annual increase of 1,500,000 tonnes in carbon emissions.

Furthermore, adopting these proposals would lead to around 7,000 double-decker trailers currently in use across the UK being gradually phased out.



# Drivers Hours and Tachographs - Getting Things Right

**A rest is an uninterrupted period where a driver may freely dispose of their time.**

Time spent working in other employment or under obligation or instruction regardless of occupation type, cannot be counted as rest including work on a vehicle or trailer. A driver must take a daily rest period within each period of 24 hours after the end of the previous daily or weekly rest period.

With regularly changing legislation, tightening safety regulations and increased enforcement it is vital that whether you operate one vehicle or a large commercial fleet, you ensure your operation complies with the laws governing the transport industry.

Maintenance of all your vehicles not just trailers is paramount, it is essential that the trailer is maintained at regular intervals, failure to do so could land not only the driver but the employer in hot water.

For example, if you don't maintain your trailer and continue to use it whilst its in a poor condition, i.e. tyres beyond the legal limit, stop lamps or direction indicators inoperative, brakes ineffective, then any one of these

could result in the vehicle being taken off the road under a prohibition order, usually issued by the Police or the Vehicle and Operators Agency (VOSA).

Our fully equipped facilities are staffed by experience technicians, Monday through to Friday. We carry out all servicing and repairs to our own fleet onsite and also offer maintenance services to our customers.

**Some of the services we can offer include:**

- Regular safety inspections to satisfy your operators licence obligations
- Servicing
- Roller brake testing
- Roadside assistance
- PSV preparation & presentation
- Curtain repairs
- Floor repairs
- Vehicle diagnostics

**If you wish to discuss your requirements further contact Neil on T: 028 9083 2641 or E: [neil@ashcrofttrailer.co.uk](mailto:neil@ashcrofttrailer.co.uk)**



# ARE YOU READY FOR WINTER?

The UK based long range weather forecaster has issued a severe winter weather warning for 2011-2012. Last winter was one of the coldest experienced in the UK & Ireland for more than 45 years.

Driving during the winter months creates a number of different challenges with more hours of darkness and poorer weather conditions.

Drivers should consider servicing their vehicles to make sure they are fit for purpose during winter to avoid any breakdowns and lost time at the roadside. Our aim is to keep your fleet where it should be on the road supporting your business.



# New credit card driving licence on the way

A credit card styled driving licence featuring microchip technology will be introduced in Ireland next year.



The new driving licence will include a photograph of the driver as well as the drivers name, address, date of birth, licence type and details of the issuing authority.

The new licence will also carry a record of any penalty points or endorsements on the driver's records.

# Are You Thinking Of Relocating Your Business?

We have catered for new and small businesses for over twenty years providing warehousing space for both small and medium sized businesses in a secure and friendly environment.

Warehousing is available in short or long term packages which can be tailored to your individual needs.

**Other benefits include:**

- Free onsite parking for employees and customers
- Secure site
- Excellent transport links
- Units are easily accessible
- Location – 10 minutes north of Belfast, 10 minutes from the International Airport and with easy access to motorway systems to the North and South



**Unit 9**

**Unit size: 90ft x 27ft = 2,430 sq ft**

- Forecourt space with parking facilities for vehicles. Staff parking areas assigned per unit.
- Options for signage on building and at road frontage for customer guidance.
- No office space.
- Small eating area.
- Toilet and wash room.
- Modern lighting with natural light.
- Insulation in roof and walls.
- One steel roller shutter door, access door front and fire escape to the rear.

**Unit 10**

**Unit size: 100ft x 50ft = 5,000 sq ft**

- Generous forecourt space with parking facilities for vehicles to the side.
- Staff parking areas assigned per unit.
- Options for signage on building and at road frontage for customer guidance
- Empty shell with Toilet and wash room.
- Modern lighting with natural light.
- Insulation in roof and walls.
- Two steel roller shutter doors, access door front and fire escape to the rear.