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CUSTOMER NAVIGATION GUIDE

**FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE
SOLUTION RESISTANCE**

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USING THIS GUIDE

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It can be frustrating to handle a customer who refuses to accept your solution, especially when policies or external factors limit your ability to help further!

So what do you do when a customer tells your solution to walk the plank?

This guide serves as a map to remind you how to get to the treasure– a satisfied customer and a satisfied you!

The key is to remain compassionate, firm, and clear while keeping the interaction professional and focused on what can be done.

This guide will help you navigate these conversations with confidence, patience, and Pirate Ship's Core Values of joy, clarity, and fairness.



STAY CALM

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STAY COMPASSIONATE

Customers who refuse to accept your solution are often frustrated because they feel powerless or unheard. Start by validating their feelings!



Acknowledge Their Frustration

Example: "I understand how frustrating this situation must be, especially when you've waited so long for a resolution!"

Show That You're Listening

Example: "I want to make sure that I fully understand your concern so that we can find the best path forward!"

CLEARLY

Sometimes, customers reject solutions because they don't fully understand them! If you believe this to be the case, restate the solution in clear, simple terms, and explain why it's the best course of action.



Explain Any Limitation:

Example: "I'd love to get this going for you, but we can't process the refund until the carrier confirms the package's delivery. This is to ensure accuracy and fairness for everyone involved."

Be Clear and Direct:

Example: "The next step here is to wait for the package to be delivered. Once it arrives, we'll be able to move forward with resolving any remaining issues."

Use Positive Framing:

Example: "Here's what we can do in the meantime: I'll keep my eyepatch open to continue tracking this package and follow up with you once there's an update!"

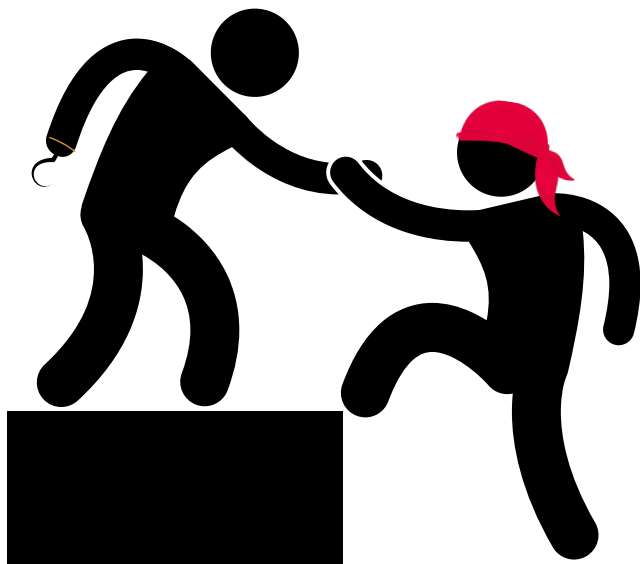
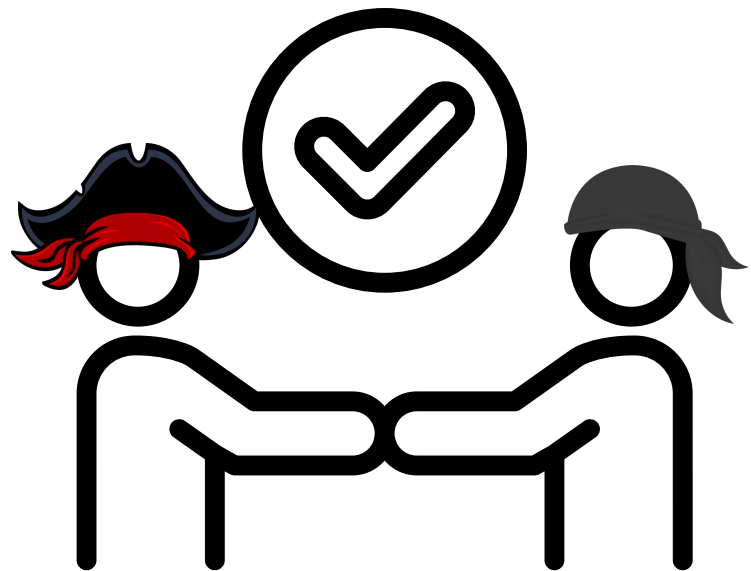
SET BOUNDARIES WITH COMPASSION

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If the customer insists on a resolution that isn't possible, it's okay to say no-- but do so with compassion!

Acknowledge their Request:

Example: "I hear that you'd like us to issue a credit immediately, but our policy requires us to wait until the package is delivered."



Be Firm, But Kind:

Example: "While I can't issue a credit at this time, I'm here to help ensure this process is smooth sailing moving forward."

OFFER ALTERNATIVE SUPPORT

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If you can't meet their request, offer other forms of support that align with your abilities!

Propose What You Can Do

Example: "While we can't assist with the insurance claim directly, I'd be happy to offer you resources to help guide you through the steps or answer any questions about the process."



Provide Reassurance

Example: "I understand this isn't the answer you were hoping for, but I'm here to make sure you have everything you need to move forward."

USE PATIENCE

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STATEMENTS

THOUGHTFULLY

It's okay to take a moment to collect yourself—using constructive patience statements can give all participants a moment to breathe.



Examples

"Thank you for your patience while I double-check this for you!"

"I understand this process can feel frustrating. Let's go through the next steps together."

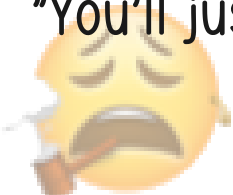
Avoid Statements

That Could Frustrate!

"It's our policy, and there's nothing more I can do."



"You'll just have to wait."



HANDLE ESCALATIONS

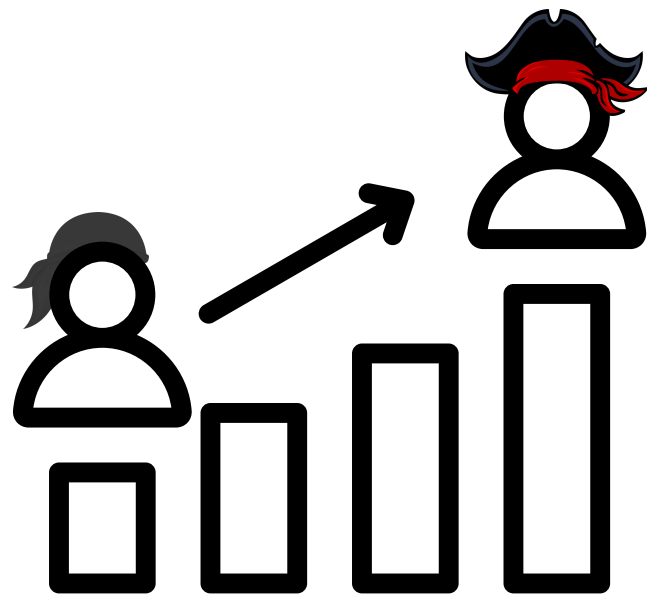
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GRACEFULLY

If the customer continues to push, it may be time to escalate, offer a follow-up, or escalate to a Manager Follow-Up!

offer to Escalate

Example: "If you'd like, I can escalate this to a manager to review further and provide additional insight."



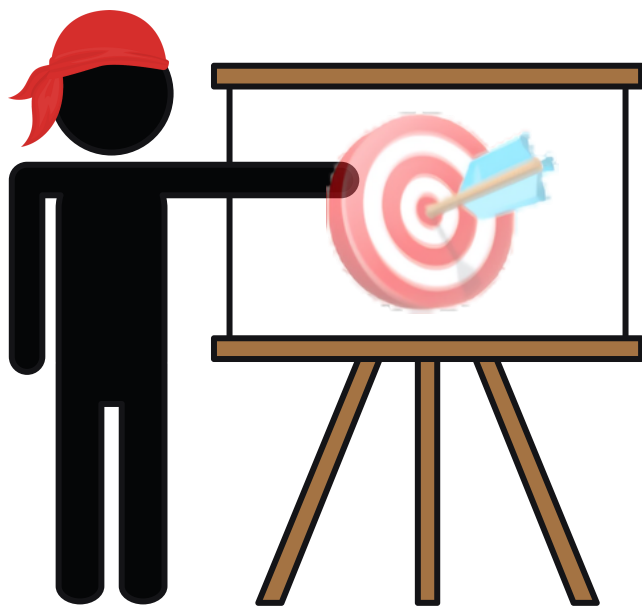
Propose a Follow-Up

Example: "Let me monitor this for you and follow up once there's an update. It's all hands on deck to find a resolution!"

KNOW WHEN TO END THE CONVERSATION

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If the customer continues to reject the solution despite your best efforts, it's okay to end the conversation respectfully

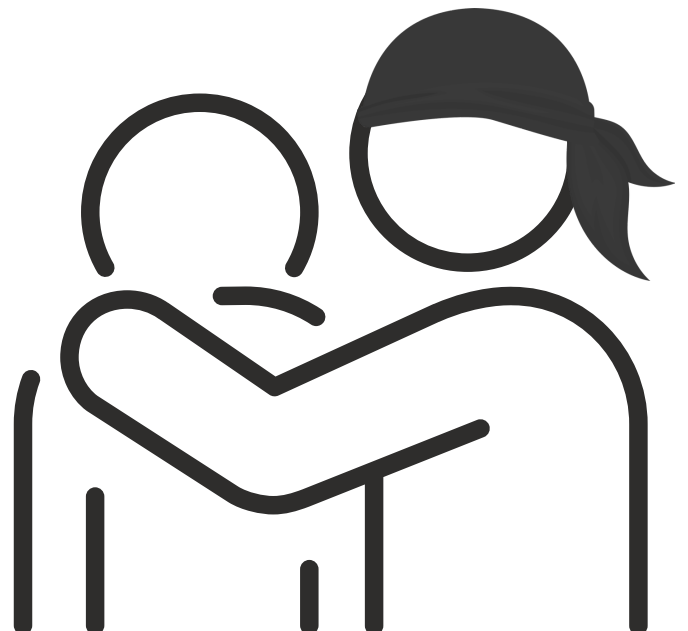


Reiterate the Final Position

Example: "I've shared the best solution available at this time, and while I understand it's not the outcome you were hoping for, it's the best way to move forward."

Close With Empathy

Example: "If you have any other questions or concerns, I'm always here to help!"



REFLECT AND RECHARGE

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Conversations with resistant customers can be draining! Take a moment to reset and learn from the experience!



Share With Your Crew

Document the case by tagging it with your pod tag so that you can discuss it with your manager, team lead, and other teammates!

Acknowledge Your Effort:

Example: "I stayed calm, professional, and solution-focused, even in a challenging situation."

Practice Self-Care

Link up with your manager or team lead to coordinate some time to step away, grab a cozy cup of grog, or take a deep breath before diving back into the queue.

FINAL REMINDERS

Remember, matey! You can do this!

- You are the expert. Trust in your knowledge and ability to guide the customer toward the best solution.
- Compassion goes a long way. Even when the answer isn't what they want, showing that you care makes a world of difference!
- It's okay to ask for help. Lean on the crew for advice or support when needed.
- Every interaction is a learning opportunity. Challenging conversations help you grow as a shipmaster and crewmate!

By staying calm, clear, and compassionate, you can navigate even the most resistant customers with confidence! Keep your head high, your sails full, and your commitment to fairness and joy intact!

