

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PURCHASES OF GOODS AND SERVICES

1 GENERAL PURPOSE

These General Terms and Conditions are applied in the supply of the Goods and Services by the Vendor to the companies of Metsä Group. These General Terms and Conditions shall be applied in the supply of the Goods and Services, even if any offer, order acknowledgement or other similar document refer to any other general terms and conditions, and these General Terms and Conditions shall overrule any such other terms and conditions. Any amendments or deviations from these General Terms and Conditions must be agreed in writing specified in detail in a Contract (as defined below) entered into between the Parties.

2 DEFINITIONS

In these General Terms and Conditions the following terms shall have the meaning defined herein:

“Contract” shall mean a specific contract and/or a confirmed purchase order or the like regarding the supply of the Goods and/or Services and entered into between the Customer and the Vendor (including all appendices, agreed amendments and additions to such Contract).

“Goods” shall mean the goods defined in the Contract to be provided by the Vendor to the Customer under the Contract and in accordance with these General Terms and Conditions.

“Parties” shall mean the Vendor and the Customer jointly, and a “Party” shall mean either of them.

“Price” shall mean the compensation defined in the Contract to be paid by the Customer to the Vendor against the supply of the Goods and/or Services.

“Customer” shall mean the company of Metsä Group purchasing the Goods from the Vendor.

“Services” shall mean the services defined in the Contract to be provided by the Vendor to the Customer under the Contract and in accordance with these General Terms and Conditions. What is later stated in these General Terms and Conditions regarding the Goods shall in all relevant part apply to the Services.

“Vendor” shall mean the Vendor of the Goods.

3 SCOPE

3.1 The Vendor shall sell and the Customer shall buy the Goods in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract and these General Terms and Conditions.

3.2 No exclusivity or similar rights of any kind are granted to the Vendor and the Customer is entitled to purchase goods from other Vendors at its free discretion.

3.3 If the Customer wishes to make any changes to the specifications of the Goods prior to delivery of the Goods, the Parties undertake to negotiate in good faith in order to agree on such changes in the specifications and the related changes in other terms and conditions of the Contract.

4 QUALITY OF GOODS

4.1 The Vendor shall ensure that the Goods supplied:

- are of the quality and in accordance with the specifications set out in the Contract;
- are always of merchantable quality and fit for any purpose held out by the Vendor or made known to the Vendor at the time the orders are placed. Otherwise the Goods shall be fit for the purpose for which similar goods are ordinarily used.
- are in compliance with the local regulations and/or standards of the markets in which they are sold and to which they are delivered;

- are labelled and packed in compliance with the regulations in force in the European Union and in any other country to which the Goods are supplied. The purchase order number must be indicated on each package.

4.2 The Vendor shall ensure that the evaluation of risks caused to human health and the environment when using the Goods is made at least according to the laws and common prevailing practices of the European Union. The Vendor must ask more information about the use of the Goods at Customer's site, if it is necessary for risk evaluation mentioned above, or for legal registration. The Goods and the Vendor must have been reported for registration according to the laws and regulations of the country to where the Goods are delivered.

4.3 The Customer shall, during and after the time of manufacture of the Goods, have the right to inspect the quality of the Goods at Vendor's place of manufacture. This right does not diminish the responsibilities of the Vendor according to these General Terms and Conditions.

4.4 The Vendor undertakes to provide the requisite essential spare parts or replacement unit for a period of at least ten (10) years from the beginning of the guarantee period (Clause 10.2). In the case of data processing equipment the same period of time as above shall apply, but instead of "spare parts", "spare parts or replacement unit or repair of such part or unit" shall apply.

5 SERVICES AND PERSONNEL

5.1 In addition to the items listed in Clause 4, the Services supplied under these General Terms and Conditions (whether related to supply of the Goods or not) shall be provided with the accuracy and the professional skill to be expected from a professional and experienced service provider and the Vendor shall reserve sufficient resources for implementation of the agreed service level.

5.2 The Vendor shall be responsible for its personnel/subcontractors carrying out the Services. If not otherwise agreed in writing between the Parties, the Vendor is responsible for the supervision of the work.

5.3 The Customer shall arrange the necessary safety training and/or ensure that the Vendor and its personnel/subcontractors have received appropriate information about the order, safety and security at the workplace. The Vendor shall acquaint itself with the working conditions at the place where the Services are provided and ensure that its personnel/subcontractors are informed of and comply with any safety regulations and instructions of the Customer in force at the place where the Services are carried out.

5.4 The Customer shall ensure that the Vendor has access to the premises where the Services are carried out. Unless otherwise agreed in the Supply Agreement, the Services shall be carried out during the normal working hours of the place or site where the Services are provided.

5.5 The Vendor shall comply with all applicable laws and the Metsä Group Code of Conduct for Suppliers and procure that its subcontractors shall do the same, and the Vendor shall provide the Customer with all reports and information concerning the Services or the Vendor's employees/subcontractors that the Customer needs to have due to the applicable laws and regulations.

5.6 The Vendor shall have and maintain, at its own expense and for the duration of the Contract, adequate insurance cover relating to its activities under the contract. The Vendor shall purchase the insurance from a reputable and financially secure insurance company and the Vendor shall at the Customer's request provide insurance certificate evidencing the insurance cover. As a minimum requirement the Vendor shall have and maintain any applicable statutory insurance, and third party liability insurance against Vendor's legal liability for any loss, damage, death or bodily injury which may arise out of the Vendor's performance or products delivered under the Contract.

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The liability insurance limit shall be not less than 1.000.000 EUR unless otherwise agreed in writing.

6 INFORMATION

6.1 The Vendor shall provide the Customer with the documentation necessary to get the Goods in a running order and together with the adequate information (including material safety data sheet) about the use for which purpose the Goods are ordered.

6.2 The Vendor shall provide the Customer with the drawings and documentation required for normal maintenance of the Goods.

7 DELIVERY OF GOODS

7.1 The Goods shall be delivered in accordance with the Contract and within the term indicated in the Contract.

7.2 The Goods are delivered according to Incoterms 2010 as specified in the Contract. **The presumed term used is DAP (Incoterms 2010).** The title of ownership to the Goods shall transfer to the Customer at the time of delivery.

8 DELAY IN SUPPLY OF GOODS

8.1 If the Vendor fails to deliver the Goods at the agreed time and such a delay is not due to the Force Majeure event as defined in Clause 18 or to reasons attributable to the Customer, the Vendor shall be obliged to pay to the Customer liquidated damages in the in accordance with the following:

- For each following week or fraction of the week for which the delivery is postponed beyond the date specified in the Contract, liquidated damages for a late delivery is one (1) per cent of the Price of the Goods.
- Total liquidated damages for a late delivery shall not exceed fifteen (15) per cent of Price of the Goods

If the actual costs and damage incurred by the Customer due to the delay of the Vendor exceed the amount of the liquidated damages, the Customer shall have the right to claim damages from the Vendor for such exceeding costs or damage.

8.2 If the Vendor fails to supply the Goods within a reasonable time after having received a written notice from the Customer, the Customer is entitled to purchase the delayed Goods from a third party and the Vendor shall compensate all additional costs due to this purchase.

8.3 If the Vendor becomes aware of any circumstances that may cause the delay in the supply of the Goods, the Vendor must take measures to remove the threat without delay and inform the Customer thereof.

8.4 The Customer shall immediately notify the Vendor if the Goods cannot be supplied at the agreed time due to a reason attributable to the Customer. If such a delay is not due to the Force Majeure event as defined in Clause 18 or to reasons attributable to the Vendor, the Customer shall reimburse the costs and damage incurred by the Vendor due to the delay.

9 DEFECTS

9.1 Where the Goods do not conform with the terms and conditions of the Contract and/or these General Terms and Conditions, the Customer shall inform the Vendor thereof within reasonable period after having become aware of such defect.

9.2 The Customer reserves the right to accept or reject the whole or any part of the defected Goods and if rejected to return the Goods to the Vendor at the Vendor's own risk and expense.

10 MECHANICAL GUARANTEE

10.1 The Vendor guarantees for a period of 24 months the proper design, construction and quality of the Goods furnished under the Contract and these General Terms and Conditions.

10.2 The guarantee period shall be calculated from the completion date of the delivery of the Goods. However, the guarantee period of the Goods delivered to be stored by the Customer will start when such Goods are taken into operation and at the latest after six (6) months' storing period.

10.3 The Vendor shall without delay at its own cost rectify and/or replace any defective Goods and to compensate to the Customer the losses arisen as result of such defects. The rectified or replaced Goods shall have a new guarantee period of 24 months. However the guarantee period shall extend for a maximum of 48 months from the commencement date of the original guarantee period in accordance with Clause 10.2.

10.4 After the expiry of the guarantee period the Vendor is liable for latent defects which existed on the date of expiry of the guarantee period and which the Customer could not reasonably be expected to notice during the guarantee period and for defects arisen as result of the Vendor's gross negligence.

10.5 The Vendor is not liable for any defects attributable to the deficient maintenance of the Goods by the Customer or their improper use, handling and storage in breach of written information provided by the Vendor under Clause 6.

10.6 This mechanical guarantee does not cover any normal wear and tear.

11 PRICE AND INVOICING

11.1 On completion of delivery of the Goods the Customer shall pay the Price to the Vendor against an invoice. Payments shall be made within 60 days of the date of the invoice

11.2 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, The Price for the Goods shall be fixed for the entire term of the Contract and shall not be subject to any revision.

11.3 The Price shall be the total compensation payable by the Customer for the Goods. No other costs may be charged to the Customer unless otherwise has been specifically agreed in the Contract.

11.4 Applicable value added tax or other such statutory tax payments shall be added to the Price in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable from time to time.

11.5 If the Customer has not paid an undisputed Price within 21 days after the due date of the Price, the Vendor is entitled to suspend the supplies of the Goods.

11.6 The Customer reserves the right to withhold payment of any Vendor invoice where the Goods have not been provided in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract and these General Terms and Conditions. The withholding of payment shall correspond to the value of the defective delivery.

11.7 Unless otherwise agreed in the Contract, penalty interest is charged according to applicable law.

11.8 The Vendor shall send electronic invoices that comply with Customer's systems if requested by the Customer. In any case content of invoices must fulfil Metsä Group's requirements (available at <http://www.metsagroup.com>). The Customer has the right to reject incomplete invoices.

12 SUBCONTRACTING

12.1 The Vendor is entitled to use subcontractors in the supply of the Goods subject to prior notice to the Customer. The Vendor shall at the request of the Customer provide the Customer with information on its subcontractors and upon the reasonable request of the Customer withdraw and/or replace any subcontractor.

12.2 The Vendor is responsible for the actions of its subcontractors as it is for its own.

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13 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 13.1 All rights to the documents and other materials (e. g. plans, drawings, technical documents, software) made available by the Customer to the Vendor for the supply of the Goods and/or the fulfilment of the Services shall remain the property of the Customer.
- 13.2 The Vendor is responsible for making sure that no rights of third parties will be infringed in conjunction with the supply of the Goods and/or performance of the Services.
- 13.3 All intellectual property rights to documents, data and other results created in the performance of the Services shall vest in the Customer.
- 13.4 The vendor shall have the right to use the information, materials, data and intellectual property rights defined in Clauses 13.1 and 13.3 only in the extent needed for the supply of the goods or fulfilment of the services to the customer

14 LIABILITY

- 14.1 If the Vendor fails to supply the Goods in accordance with the Contract and/or these General Terms and Conditions and/or there is a defect in the Goods, the Vendor shall without delay at its own cost remedy the breach or defect.
- 14.2 The Vendor is not liable to remedy breaches or defects that have been caused by the actions of the Customer or incorrect information provided by the Customer for purposes of the supply of the Goods.
- 14.3 If the Vendor fails to remedy the breach or defect in the Goods within a reasonable time after having received a written notice from the Customer, the Customer is entitled to remedy the breach or defect itself or have it repaired by a third party at the cost of the Vendor. Alternatively, the Customer shall be entitled to a reduction of the Price reflecting the difference between the defect-free Goods and the defective Goods.
- 14.4 The Customer shall notify the Vendor of the defects in the supplied Goods within reasonable period after having become aware of such defect. If the Customer fails to give such notification within reasonable time period, the Customer shall lose its right to present claims towards the Vendor, except for apparent defects that should have been in the knowledge of the Vendor and defects that have been caused by the Vendor's gross negligence or wilful acts or omission.
- 14.5 The Parties are liable for damage caused to third parties in accordance with the applicable laws.

15 LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

Neither Party shall be liable for any indirect or consequential damage, including but not limited to loss of income or interruption of production or services. This limitation of liability does not apply to breaches of confidentiality obligations, damage caused by a Party's gross negligence, wilful acts/omission or any damage caused to Customer's property.

16 TERMINATION

- 16.1 If either Party is in material breach or a series of breaches of the Contract and/or these General Terms and Conditions and does not remedy such breaches within reasonable period after having received a written notice thereof from the non-breaching Party, the non-breaching Party is entitled to terminate the Contract with immediate effect and without any liability towards the breaching Party.
- 16.2 In case of termination of the Contract in accordance with Clause 16.1, the breaching Party shall compensate the non-breaching Party the damage and costs incurred by the non-breaching Party as result of the termination of the Contract.

16.3 If the Customer has become entitled to receive the maximum amount of the liquidated damages pursuant to Clause 8.1 of these General Terms and Conditions, the Customer is entitled to terminate the Contract with immediate effect.

16.4 Either Party shall terminate the Contract with immediate effect in the event that the other Party becomes subject to any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding.

16.5 The Customer shall be entitled to terminate the Contract for convenience with three (3) month's prior notice. In the event of the aforesaid premature termination by Customer, Vendor shall as the sole and exclusive compensation and remedy be entitled to the Price (or portion of the Price) accrued for approved Goods and/or Services prior to the effective date of termination. Material produced by the Vendor by the time of the termination shall be left in the Customer's possession.

17 CONFIDENTIALITY

The Vendor shall keep in strict confidence all technical or commercial know-how, specifications, inventions, processes or initiatives which are of a confidential nature and have been disclosed to the Vendor by the Customer and any other confidential information concerning the business or products of any company belonging to Metsä Group which the Vendor may obtain and the Vendor shall restrict disclosure of such confidential material to such of its employees, agents or sub-contractors as need to know the same for the purpose of discharging the Vendor's obligations to the Customer and shall ensure that such employees, agents or sub-contractors comply with the provisions of this clause.

18 FORCE MAJEURE

- 18.1 Neither Party is liable towards the other Party for delays or failures to fulfil its obligations if the delay or failure to is due to any event, which is not foreseeable and is beyond the control of the Parties and which could not have been prevented or overcome by reasonable efforts of the prevented Party ("Force Majeure"). The Party affected by Force Majeure shall be excused for its non-performance during the duration of Force Majeure. The Party affected by Force Majeure shall immediately notify the other Party about Force Majeure event and its consequences and expected duration. In the Force Majeure situation both Parties shall use their reasonable efforts to prevent or mitigate any damage or costs caused by such Force Majeure event and to ensure the continued and undisturbed business operations of the Customer.
- 18.2 If either Party is unable to fulfil its obligation due to a Force Majeure Event for a period exceeding thirty (30) days, either Party is entitled to terminate the Contract with immediate effect without any liability towards the other Party. The termination notice shall be delivered in writing.

19 ASSIGNMENT

Neither Party is entitled to assign or otherwise transfer the Contract in whole or in part to any third party without a prior written consent of the other Party. However, if the Customer sells or otherwise transfers a mill or other business operations, in or for which the Goods are supplied, the Customer is entitled to assign the Contract with the rights and obligations relating to such mill or other business to the third party acquiring the business in question.

20 APPLICABLE LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 20.1 The laws of the Customer's domicile shall be applied to the Contract, without regard to conflict of laws rules.
- 20.2 Any disputes between the Parties arising out of or in connection with the Contract are to be settled before a competent court at the domicile of the Customer.