

## Conditions of Sale

### 1. Scope of Application; German Law

- 1.1. Our Terms and Conditions of Sale apply exclusively. They shall also apply for all future business dealings, even if they are not explicitly agreed upon again. We shall not recognize any terms and conditions that are contradictory to ours or that deviate from our Terms and Conditions of Sale unless we have expressly approved the same in writing.
- 1.2. Our General Conditions of Sale shall also apply if we supply the customer without reservation despite knowledge of customer conditions of sale contrary to or differing from our own.
- 1.3. The law of the Federal Republic of Germany is agreed to apply. Application of the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods is excluded in relation to contracts with foreign customers.
- 1.4. These general terms and conditions only apply vis-à-vis entrepreneurs, legal entities under public law or a special fund under public law within the meaning of Section 310 para. 1 German Civil Code ("BGB").

### 2. Conclusion and Contents of the Contract

- 2.1. Catalogues, printed materials and price lists do not constitute an offer.
- 2.2. Our offers remain revocable until accepted by the customer. However, purchasing orders placed by our customers are binding on them for four weeks from the date of dispatch.
- 2.3. The sales contract and – of lesser importance – our order confirmation in written form is authoritative for the content and scope of the agreements made. Gross weights and crate sizes are always non-binding.
- 2.4. Transactions entered by our representatives must be confirmed by the acting company.

### 3. Price

- 3.1. If no special terms have been agreed, our prices are quoted as net prices, to which statutory value-added tax will be added at the rate currently applicable. Unless otherwise agreed, prices apply "ex works" (Incoterms 2020) and do not include packaging, transport and incidental costs.
- 3.2. We are entitled to adjust prices if there are any changes in material prices, wages, freights or other cost factors, provided a period of at least four months has elapsed between the date on which the contract was made and the date of delivery unless the delay was caused by us. Contrary to the above ruling, an agreed fixed price cannot be adjusted.

### 4. Payment

- 4.1. The customer undertakes to pay the remuneration that has been contractually agreed within fourteen days of receipt of the invoice without any deductions. Payment shall be made by remittance to one of our bank accounts given below. Any differing methods of payment or differing payment dates are subject to special agreement.
- 4.2. The customer shall be in default if it fails to make payment by the agreed date, without any reminder being required in such a case, we have the right - without prejudice to other statutory claims - to require default interest at a rate of 9 percentage points above the then applicable basis interest rate of the European Central

Bank p.a., without any reminder being required. Upon entry of the delay, we are entitled to claim a lump sum of 40 EUR. Insofar as we can provide evidence of higher damages due to default, we have the right to claim them accordingly while considering the lump sum. Furthermore, we are entitled to suspend the performance of our obligations until receipt of the due amount, including interests and other sums due according to the contract provisions.

- 4.3. The customer is only entitled to offset our claims or exercise a right of retention if his claim is recognized by us, if the counterclaim is undisputed or has been pronounced legally binding. The customer is also entitled to offset counterclaims which are pending judgement as well as such which are based on the same contractual relationship.
- 4.4. In the event of default on payment, the claims arising out of all our business relations with the customer will become due and payable unless the customer has any valid objection to such claims; in such event, we are also entitled to request cash in advance.
- 4.5. Our written power of attorney is always required for debt collection.

### 5. Delivery

- 5.1. The delivery period we have quoted will not start until all technical issues have been settled, the documents to be obtained by the customer have been received in due time, such as public-authority approvals and licenses, any agreed advance payment has been made in due time, or an agreed letter of credit has been opened. Any delay in performance of payment obligations by the customer will lead to an equivalent extension of the delivery period.
- 5.2. If an export license is required for the delivery and this has not been issued by the scheduled delivery date despite being duly applied for in good time, said delivery date shall be extended until said license has been issued. No claims for damages can be based on such a delay unless we are mandatorily liable in accordance with paragraph 11.2.
- 5.3. Meeting a delivery date is dependent on proper and timely receiving sub supplies. We shall notify the customer immediately about any delays.
- 5.4. The delivery deadline shall be deemed to have been met if the goods have left the factory or notice has been given that they are ready for delivery before expiry of the deadline. Deliveries in part are permissible if not expressly excluded.
- 5.5. The delivery deadlines specified in the contract will be reasonably extended in the event of strikes, operational stoppages (including a lack of raw materials), lockouts, war, embargo and other cases of force majeure. In such cases, we are also entitled to withdraw from the contract without this giving rise to claims against us for damages on the part of the customer unless we are mandatorily liable in accordance with paragraph 11.2.
- 5.6. Should we fail to deliver by an agreed original or extended delivery deadline, the customer shall have the right to rescind the contract after the expiry of a reasonable extended deadline of at least thirty days. The customer must, however, give notice of the commencement of this period by registered letter.
- 5.7. Claims for damages in respect of delayed delivery are subject to paragraph 11.

- 5.8. Should the dispatch be delayed at the request of or through the fault of the customer, the latter will be charged for storage costs  
- which, in the case of storage at the supplier's site, will consist of a minimum of 0,5 % of the purchase order value amount for each month - with effect from one month after notification of readiness to deliver. The customer is free to show that no storage costs have been incurred or that the storage costs were substantially lower.
  - 5.9. If payments owed by the customer are delayed by more than three months, we have the right to rescind the contract. We will offset any payments already made against the costs we have incurred.
  - 5.10. If, after the contract has been made, it becomes clear that the customer's financial standing has deteriorated significantly, we have the right to discontinue further performance of the contract until the customer has fulfilled its payment obligations in full or has furnished a bank guarantee or comparable security at our discretion. The same applies insofar as the customer defaults repeatedly and/or significantly on payment. If the customer fails to meet such a request, we can terminate the contract
- 6. Dispatch, Passage of Risk and Insurance**
- 6.1. Incidental costs will be invoiced separately. Packaging will be charged at cost and will not be taken back If the customer has not specified certain packaging or a certain method of dispatch, packaging will be appropriate, giving due consideration to economic factors.
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  - 6.3. If no ruling conforming with INCOTERMS has been made, the risk shall pass to the customer at the time and to the extent that the product or parts of the same leave our factory site or that the customer is notified of readiness for dispatch. This also applies to deliveries made by our employees, to deliveries sent freight prepaid and packaging prepaid and in cases in which we are responsible for assembly, erection or other services.
  - 6.4. If a part of the product cannot be delivered due to a delay in acceptance by the customer after completion and notification of readiness for dispatch, we shall be deemed to have rendered due performance by storing the product. In such a case, the customer is obligated to pay all costs thereby incurred after the invoices have been sent, but at least 0.5% of the respective order value for each month. We shall notify the customer of storage of the product immediately in writing. Statutory compensation claims shall not be affected by this. In such a case, the risk of accidental loss or accidental deterioration of the product shall pass to the customer at the time at which said customer defaults on acceptance.
  - 6.5. At the request and expense of the customer, the goods will be insured by us against the risks specified by the customer. We are entitled at any time to take out transportation insurance at the customer's expense.
  - 6.6. The customer hereby assigns to us all claims it may have against the insurance company in the event of a loss. The customer shall do everything necessary to uphold the insurance claim, provide us and the insurers with the necessary notices and documents in good time.

- 6.7. For ease of transportation, bulky machines or accessories may also be dispatched partly assembled. Unless otherwise agreed, the costs of assembly at the destination site are not included in the price.

## **7. Copyright and Ownership of Documents**

- 7.1. We reserve our copyrights even after fulfilment of the contract. Software and documents provided (drawings, explanations, cost estimates, etc.) may not be made available to third parties. They must be returned to us at our request. They remain our property. The right of use is restricted personally to the customer or the contractually agreed user as well as objectively to the contractually agreed scope. The copyright is not affected thereby. The contract does not imply, in any event whatsoever, any transfer of our intellectual property rights in favor of the customer.

## **8. Retention of Title**

- 8.1. The goods delivered by us shall remain our property until the customer has paid all sums due to us, whether under this contract or under any prior or subsequent contract with the customer.
- 8.2. If the customer breaches the contract, by default, we have the right to terminate the contract and require return of the goods supplied.
- 8.3. The customer must treat the supplied goods with due care and insure them at its own expense at their reinstatement value. The customer must perform necessary maintenance and servicing work in due time at its own expense.
- 8.4. On a revocable basis, the customer is entitled at any time to process the supplied goods in the due course of business or combine them with other systems at its sole cost and expense. There is no longer deemed to be "due" course of business if the customer's operations are encumbered by security assignments, liquidity bottlenecks, attachments or protested cheques or bills of exchange.
- 8.5. The customer shall be entitled to resell goods supplied by us in the ordinary course of business. In this case, however, said customer hereby already assigns its claims from resale to us as follows:
  - 8.5.1 If the goods belong to us alone, the full claim will be assigned to us
  - 8.5.2 If we only have co-ownership of the goods, the customer will assign to us the part of the claim equivalent to our co-ownership share. The customer is entitled to collect the assigned claims for as long as it meets its payment obligations.
- 8.6. After assignment, the customer is entitled to collect the claims from its end customers. We reserve the right to collect the claims ourselves as soon as the customer fails to duly meet its payment obligations to us and defaults. In such a case, the customer must also notify the end customer of assignment.
- 8.7. The customer must notify us immediately in writing if items supplied by us are impounded.
- 8.8. At the customer's request, we undertake to release securities held by us to the extent that their realizable value exceeds the claims to be secured by more than 10 %. The choice of the securities to be released shall be at our discretion.

## 9. Liability for Defects

- 9.1. To assert rights resulting from liability for defects, the customer must duly examine the goods and give notice of defects in compliance with Section 377 of the German Commercial Code. If the customer fails to give notice of an obvious defect within 3 working days, the goods shall be deemed to have been approved.
- 9.2. In case of a timely and justified notice of defects, we will at our discretion repair or replace all defective parts. The replaced parts shall be returned to us. If such repair or replacement of the parts is not possible or is refused or is delayed for more than a reasonable period or fails through any other fault of ours, the customer may at its discretion rescind the contract or require a reduction in the purchase price.
- 9.3. The customer shall allow us the necessary time and opportunity to carry out all repairs which we in our reasonable opinion consider necessary; otherwise, we shall not be liable for the defects.
- 9.4. We give no warranty in respect of defects arising because of natural wear and tear, inappropriate or incorrect employment or handling, use of non-approved third-party materials, spare parts or non-OEM parts, excessive use or faulty assembly or operation by the customer or third parties.
- 9.5. Any further claims of the customer, also against our representatives or vicarious agents, are subject to paragraph 11.
- 9.6. All claims for defects asserted by the customer, including the claims for compensation of damages and expenses pursuant to sections 9.5, shall become time-barred one year after delivery of the goods to the customer.

## 10. Safety Provisions

- 10.1. Dangerous working materials: The customer shall answer in full and correctly the questionnaire it is sent regarding the condition of the materials to be processed.
- 10.2. The machines and plants supplied correspond to the relevant generally recognized rules of engineering and the legal provisions valid in Germany at the time of delivery.
- 10.3. If the safety installations offered, such as door safety measures, entry prevention measures on inlets and outlets, electrical equipment etc., are not part of the delivery (manufactured to customer's specifications), the customer shall ensure that safety is guaranteed in some other way.
- 10.4. The machines manufactured in series are built in accordance with up-to-date and practice-tested rules of noise reduction technology. Should the noise in the workplace nevertheless exceed the permissible sound level, the customer must carry out additional measures to reduce noise outside of the machine. The planning and execution of noise technology will be

undertaken by us following the placing of an order.

- 10.5. The customer must comply with the safety advice and information in our operating instructions and other regulations.
- 10.6. In the event of the sale of spare parts, the customer must comply with the safety advice and information in our operating instructions and other regulations when assembling spare and working parts

## 11. Liability

- 11.1. If the supplied goods cannot be used by the customer as contractually agreed for reasons for which we are responsible as a result of failure to perform or faulty performance of, recommendations made or advice given after the contract was made or breach of other subsidiary contractual obligations, in particular misleading instructions for installation, operation and servicing of the supplied goods, the terms of contractually agreed for reasons for which we are responsible as a result of failure to implement, or defective implementation of, proposals or recommendations made before or after the contract was concluded or as a result of a breach of other subsidiary contractual obligations - in particular misleading instructions for installation, operation and servicing of the supplied item - the provisions of Section 9 and of Number 11.2 below shall apply with exclusion of all further claims by the customer. We are not responsible for any damage incurred if and insofar as the customer failed to comply with our instructions and warnings. The customer agrees to hold us harmless in relation to all claims, liability cases and damages claims that may possibly result from the above
- 11.2. Claims for compensation, regardless of the legal grounds, are excluded, unless our liability is mandatory, e.g.:
  - (i) In the event of intent
  - (ii) In the event of gross negligence on the part of the owner / corporate bodies or leading executives.
  - (iii) in the event of defects which were intentionally concealed, or which were guaranteed not to exist.
  - (iv) in the event of defects to the supplied item, insofar as mandatory liability exists under the Product Liability Act with respect to personal injury or property damage.In the event of a culpable breach of major contractual obligations, we shall also be liable for gross negligence of non-managerial employees and for ordinary negligence, in the latter case restricted to the reasonably predictable damage typical of the contract. The provisions do not constitute any change in the burden of proof to the disadvantage of the customer
- 11.3. Our liability for slight negligence is excluded,



- 11.4 Except in the event of gross negligence or intent, we shall under no circumstances be liable for any indirect, immaterial, incidental, special, exemplary, punitive, or consequential losses or damages whatsoever. We shall not be liable for loss of profit, loss of use, loss of business, loss of change or similar losses.
- 11.5 In any event our maximum liability for direct damages, indemnity, termination of the contract shall not exceed the maximum amount of the contract price paid by the customer.

## **12. Provision of employees for assembly and commissioning**

- 12.1 On request, we can provide employees for the assembly and commissioning of the machines and parts we have supplied
- 12.2 The rendering of such technical services must be agreed in writing. Over and above this, the Conditions for the Provision of Installation and Commissioning Engineers shall apply.

## **13. Final Provisions**

- 13.1 Should any provision of these General Conditions of Sale be or become ineffective, the effectiveness of the remaining provisions will not be prejudiced thereby
- 13.2 The contract, any amendment or addition to the same and any other agreements must be recorded in writing to be legally effective. The customer may not assign claims and other contractual rights to third parties without our written consent
- 13.3 Unless otherwise provided in our order confirmation, the place of performance for delivery and payment shall be Darmstadt
- 13.4 The sole legal venue for all disputes arising directly or indirectly from the contractual relationship is Darmstadt. However, we have the right to select the customer's legal venue
- 13.5 Customer shall have the right to terminate the contract for convenience, in whole or in part, at any time. Upon notification by customer, we shall immediately stop all work and shall immediately cause any of its suppliers and sub-contractors to cease such work. We shall be paid a termination charge consisting of a percentage of the applicable contract price based on the project status prior to the notice of termination, plus any reasonable and documented costs deriving from such termination