

The following terms and conditions apply to all purchases by Northern Health under purchase order or work order.

1. Supply of goods

- a) The supplier must supply, and if applicable install, the goods to Northern Health in accordance with the Specification and otherwise in accordance with these conditions.
- b) The supplier agrees that the supply of goods is solely governed by these terms and conditions despite any documentation it may provide to Northern Health that purports to govern same.
- c) The supplier must deliver the goods to the delivery point by the time for delivery. Delivery will not be taken to have occurred until delivery is acknowledged in writing by Northern Health or deemed to have occurred in accordance with clause 2(a).
- d) If the specifications require the supplier to install the goods, the goods must be installed by the date specified in the purchase order or such other date as may be agreed by the parties in writing.

2. Acceptance or rejection of goods

- a) If the goods conform with the Specification or sample, Northern Health will promptly accept the goods in writing. If the goods do not conform, Northern Health may reject the goods within 30 days by written notice giving reasons and will not be required to pay for the goods. If Northern Health does not accept or reject the goods within 30 days of delivery, delivery will be deemed to have then occurred.
- b) The supplier must at its cost collect and remove any goods that have been rejected within 5 business days of being notified by Northern Health. If the supplier does not remove the rejected goods within 5 business days, the goods shall be deemed abandoned and Northern Health may in its absolute discretion either remove or dispose of the goods. Any costs incurred by Northern Health in the removal or disposal of the goods shall be a debt due and immediately payable by the supplier to Northern Health.

3. Purchase order cancellation

- a) Northern Health may in its absolute discretion cancel a purchase order by written notice at any time prior to delivery of the goods.
- b) If Northern Health cancels a purchase order, Northern Health's liability to the supplier shall be limited to the costs (if any) reasonably incurred by the supplier up to and including the date of cancellation.

4. Invoicing and payment

- a) The Unit Price is fixed and includes all packaging, transport, insurance, loading, unloading and storage costs and any other costs incurred by the supplier.
- b) The supplier must submit to Northern Health a tax invoice for the purchase price following the supply of the goods which contains the information necessary to be a tax invoice for the purposes of the GST Act together with such other information as Northern Health may reasonably require. The tax invoice must be sent to the address specified in the purchase order.
- c) Northern Health will pay the invoiced amount within 60 days of receipt of an accurate invoice. However, if Northern Health disputes the invoiced amount it must pay the undisputed amount (if any) and notify the supplier of the amount in dispute. The parties will endeavour to resolve any such dispute in good faith.
- d) Payment of an invoice is not to be taken as evidence that the goods have been supplied in accordance with the Agreement but must be taken only as payment on account.

5. Title and risk

Title in the goods will pass to Northern Health upon payment for the goods. Risk in the goods will pass to Northern Health after the goods are accepted by Northern Health in accordance with clause 2.

6. Warranties

The supplier warrants to Northern Health that:

- a) (Title) it has the right to sell and transfer title to and property in the goods to Northern Health;
- b) (IP) it is entitled to use and deal with any Intellectual Property Rights which may be used by it in connection with the goods;
- c) (Conflict) it and its employees, agents and contractors do not hold any office or possess any property, are not engaged in any business or activity and do not have any obligations whereby duties or interests are or might be created in conflict with or might appear to be created in conflict with its obligations under the Agreement; and
- d) (Goods) the goods:
 - i. are new and fit for the purpose stated in the Specification (or, if no purpose is stated, the purpose for which the goods would ordinarily be used);
 - ii. conform in all respects with the Specification and to the description, model number and sample (if any) provided by the

- Supplier;
- iii. are free from defects (including defects in installation); and
 - iv. are of merchantable quality and comply with all Laws.

the goods, including product liability insurance and, if applicable, public liability insurance. Product liability insurance must match any warranty period or three years after acceptance of the goods, whichever is the greater.

- b) On request, the supplier must provide Northern Health with evidence of the currency of any insurance it is required to obtain.

7. Warranty Period

- a) The supplier agrees to provide a warranty on the goods for the warranty period set out in the Specifications.
- b) Notwithstanding clause 7(a), where the goods comprise equipment to be used by Northern Health, the supplier agrees to provide a 12 month warranty on the goods or such longer period as is set out in the Specifications.
- c) Without limiting any obligation of the supplier under this Agreement, the supplier must take all necessary action to obtain for Northern Health the benefit of any standard manufacturer and other relevant third party warranties applicable to the goods.

8. Liability

The supplier must indemnify Northern Health and each of its employees and agents against any loss, damage, claim, action or expense (including legal expense) (**Liability**) which any of them suffers as a direct or indirect result of, or in connection with, the supply of goods, any failure to deliver the goods in accordance with the Agreement or any other breach of the Agreement, except to the extent the Liability is caused or contributed to by the negligent or unlawful act or omission of Northern Health.

9. Documentation

The supplier must provide Northern Health with up to date technical and operator documentation containing sufficient information to enable Northern Health to make full use of the goods.

10. Intellectual Property Rights

- a) the supplier grants to Northern Health a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free transferable licence to use any Intellectual Property Rights in relation to any goods supplied to the extent necessary to allow Northern Health the full use and enjoyment of those goods.
- b) The supplier must, upon request by Northern Health, do all things as may be necessary (including executing any documents) to give full effect to such rights.

11. Insurance

- a) The supplier must obtain and maintain insurance cover at all relevant times sufficient to cover any loss or costs that may be incurred and for which the supplier is liable in connection with the supply of

12. Confidentiality and privacy

- a) The supplier and its employees, agents, directors, partners, shareholders and consultants must not disclose or otherwise make available any Confidential Information to any other person.
- b) The supplier hereby consents to Northern Health publishing or otherwise making available information in relation to the supplier (and the supply of the goods) as may be required:
 - i. to comply with the Contracts Publishing System;
 - ii. by the Auditor-General; or
 - iii. to comply with the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Vic).
- c) The supplier must comply with the Privacy Laws in respect of personal or health information (as defined in the Health Records Act 2001 (Vic) held or accessed in connection with this Agreement.

13. Access

When entering the premises of Northern Health, the supplier must use reasonable endeavours to protect people and property, prevent nuisance and act in a safe and lawful manner and comply with the safety standards and policies of Northern Health (as notified to the supplier).

14. Sub-contracting

- a) The supplier must not sub-contract to any third person any of its obligations in relation to the supply of the goods without the prior written consent of Northern Health (which may be given or withheld in its absolute discretion).
- b) The supplier will not, as a result of any sub-contracting arrangement, be relieved from the performance of any obligation under the Agreement and will be liable for all acts and omissions of a sub-contractor as though they were the actions of the supplier itself.

15. Compliance with Law and Policy

- a) The supplier must, in performing its obligations under these conditions, comply with and ensure the goods comply with all

Laws affecting or applicable to the provision of the goods by the supplier under this Agreement including:

- i. the Therapeutic Goods Administration rules and codes of practice;
- ii. Australian Council of Healthcare Standards; and
- iii. Victorian Industry Participation Policy, if applicable.

16. GST

- a) Terms used in this clause have the same meanings given to them in the GST Act.
- b) Unless otherwise expressly stated, all prices or other sums payable or consideration to be provided under or in accordance with the Agreement are exclusive of GST.
- c) If GST is imposed on any supply made under or in accordance with these conditions, Northern Health must pay to the supplier an amount equal to the GST payable on or for the taxable supply subject to the recipient receiving a valid tax invoice in respect of the supply at or before the time of payment. Payment of the GST amount will be made at the same time as payment for the taxable supply is required to be made.

17. General

- a) The Agreement is governed by and is to be construed in accordance with the Laws. Each party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Victoria.
- b) Time is of the essence in relation to the supply of the goods.
- c) If a purchase order is issued in relation to a separate contract between Northern Health and the supplier, the terms and conditions of the separate contract shall prevail to the extent of inconsistency with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

18. Interpretation

In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires:

Agreement means the agreement for the supply of the goods of which these Conditions and the purchase order form part.

Conditions mean these general conditions for the supply of goods.

Confidential Information means any technical, scientific, commercial, financial or other information

that is by its nature confidential about or in any way related to Northern Health, including any information designated by Northern Health as confidential, which is disclosed, made available, communicated or delivered to the supplier, but excludes information:

- (a) which is in or which subsequently enters the public domain other than as a result of a breach of these conditions;
- (b) which the supplier can demonstrate was in its lawful possession prior to the date of the Agreement;
- (c) which the supplier can demonstrate was independently developed by the supplier; or
- (d) which is lawfully obtained by the supplier from another person entitled to disclose such information.

Contracts Publishing System means the policy of the Victorian Government for publication of details of contracts entered into by Victorian Government departments, as amended from time to time.

Delivery point means the location or address to which the goods are to be delivered, as specified in the purchase order.

Goods means the goods (or any of them) specified in the purchase order.

GST Act means the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth).

Intellectual Property Rights includes all present and future copyright and neighbouring rights, all proprietary rights in relation to inventions (including patents), registered and unregistered trademarks, confidential information (including trade secrets and know how), registered designs, circuit layouts, and all other proprietary rights resulting from intellectual activity in the industrial, scientific, literary or artistic fields.

Laws means: the law in force in Australia and Victoria, Australia.

Privacy Laws means the:

- (a) *Health Services Act 1988* (Vic) and, in particular, section 141 of that Act;
- (b) *Mental Health and Wellbeing Act 2022* (Vic);
- (c) *Health Records Act 2001* (Vic) and, in particular, the Health Privacy Principles contained in that Act; and
- (d) *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* (Vic) and, in particular, the Information Privacy Principles contained in that Act.

Purchase order means any form of order or acceptance from Northern Health for the supply of the goods which incorporates these conditions.

Purchase price means the sum ascertained by multiplying the Unit Price for the applicable goods by the number of units delivered.

Specification means the specifications to which the goods must comply, as set out in the purchase order or as otherwise incorporated in the

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Agreement.

State means the Crown in the right of the State of Victoria.

Supplier means the entity supplying the goods under these Conditions.

Time for delivery means the date and, where relevant, the time specified in the purchase order (or such other date or time as may be agreed in writing) by or on which delivery of the goods must be effected by the supplier.

Unit price means the price per item of each of the goods, as specified