

GIPPING PRESS LTD CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (2016)

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The following Terms and Conditions constitute the entire agreement between the parties and supersede any previous agreements, warranties, representations, undertakings or understandings between the parties and may not be varied except in writing.

1. DEFINITIONS

- Gipping Press Ltd (GPL) is GPL providing the goods or services under these terms and conditions.
- "Buyer" means the party contracting with GPL to acquire the good and services supplied under these terms and conditions.
- "Work" means all goods (by way of intermediate or finished product) and services supplied by the GPL to the Buyer.
- "Intermediates" means all products produced during the manufacturing process including non-exhaustively discs, film, plate, intellectual property.
- "Preliminary Work" means all work done in the concept and preparatory stages (including non-exhaustively design, artwork, colour matching).
- "Electronic File" means any text, illustration or other matter supplied or produced by either Party in digitised form on disc, via USB stick, via internet upload or any other electronic communication link.
- "Periodical Publications" means publications produced at (normally regular) intervals.
- "Insolvency" means the Buyer is in a position where it is unable to pay its debts or has a winding up petition issued against it or has a receiver, administrator or administrative receiver appointed to it or being a person commits an act of bankruptcy or has a bankruptcy petition issued against him.

2. PAYMENT

- Estimates are based on GPL's current costs of production and, unless otherwise agreed in writing, are subject to amendment to meet any rise or fall in such costs that have taken place by the time of delivery.
- Estimates are given exclusive of tax and GPL reserves the right to charge and the Buyer will pay any VAT or other tax payable.
- All work carried out shall be charged. This includes all Preliminary Work whether or not the Buyer agrees to that work being taken forward to production.
- Any additional work required of GPL by reason of the Buyer supplying inadequate copy, incomplete or incorrect instructions or insufficient materials; or late delivery of the same shall be charged.
- Payment shall become due before delivery of the Work. GPL, at his absolute discretion, may ask for part or full payment in advance of starting the Work.
- If Credit Facilities have been granted, payment is due by the end of the month following the month of Invoice. If any item(s) remain unpaid by that due date charges will apply, in accordance with s5A and/or s6 of the Late Payment Commercial Debt (Interest) Act 1998 or any subsequent enactment. In addition, all invoices will become due and payable immediately and will be treated as overdue items, with appropriate charges applied and all costs reasonably incurred in collecting the debt payable by the Buyer.
- Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the price of the Work will be "ex-works" and delivery shall be charged extra.
- Should the Work be suspended or delayed by the Buyer for any reason GPL shall be entitled to charge for storage and for loss of or wastage of resources that cannot otherwise be used.
- Should the suspension or delay in 2(h) above extend beyond 30 days GPL shall be entitled to immediate payment for work already carried out, materials specially ordered and any other additional costs.

3. CREDIT FACILITIES

Credit facilities may be granted to applicants who complete GPL's Credit Account Application Form and who satisfy GPL's criteria as set out from time to time. Where facilities are granted GPL reserves the right to withdraw them at any time, without having to give their reasons and, in such a case, all outstanding invoices become due and payable immediately.

4. DELIVERY

- Delivery of the Work shall be accepted when tendered.
- Unless otherwise agreed in writing completion and delivery times are a guide only and, whilst GPL will make every effort to stick to proposed timescales, time is not of the essence in any contract with the Buyer.
- Unless otherwise agreed in writing, (in which case an extra charge may be made) delivery will be to kerbside at the Buyer's address and the Buyer will make arrangements for off-loading and for any additional transportation to its storage facility.
- Subject to any agreement as per 4(c) above, delivery involving difficult access and/or unreasonable distance from vehicular access shall entitle GPL to make an extra charge to reflect its extra costs.
- Should expedited delivery be agreed GPL shall be entitled to make an extra charge to cover any overtime or any other additional costs.

5. MATERIALS SUPPLIED OR SPECIFIED BY THE BUYER

5.1 ELECTRONIC FILES

- It is the Buyer's responsibility to maintain a copy of any original Electronic File provided by the Buyer.
- GPL shall not be responsible for checking the accuracy of supplied input from an electronic file unless otherwise agreed in writing.
- Without prejudice to clause 5.2(b), if an electronic file is not suitable for outputting on equipment normally adequate for such purposes without adjustment or other corrective action GPL may make a charge for any resulting additional cost incurred or may reject the file without prejudice to his rights to payment for work done/material purchased.

5.2 OTHER MATERIALS

- Materials owned by the Buyer and supplied to GPL for the production of type, electronic files, plates and the like shall remain the Buyer's exclusive property. However where the content is generated by GPL, GPL may, in order to protect his intellectual property rights and at his absolute discretion, replace such material with unused material of a similar or better quality.
- GPL may reject any materials supplied or specified by the Buyer which appear to be unsuitable for the purpose intended. Additional cost incurred if materials are found to be unsuitable during production may be charged except that if the whole or any part of such additional cost could have been avoided but for unreasonable delay by GPL in ascertaining the unsuitability of the materials then that amount shall not be charged to the Buyer.
- Without prejudice to clause 5.2.b, where materials are so supplied or specified, and GPL so advises the Buyer, and the Buyer instructs GPL in writing to proceed anyway, GPL will use reasonable endeavours to secure the best results, but shall have no liability for the quality of the end-product(s).
- Quantities of materials supplied shall be adequate to cover normal spoilage. Any costs incurred as a result of shortages, including re-starting jobs, duplicating masters etc will be charged in addition to the estimated price.

5.3 Risk and storage

- Buyer's property and all property supplied to GPL by or on behalf of the Buyer shall while it is in the possession of GPL or in transit to or from the Buyer be deemed to be at Buyer's risk unless otherwise agreed in writing and the Buyer should insure accordingly.
- GPL shall be entitled to make a reasonable charge for the storage of any Buyer's property left with GPL before receipt of the order or after notification to the Buyer of completion of the work.

5.4 FINISHED GOODS

- The risk in the Work and all goods delivered in connection with the Work shall pass to the Buyer on delivery and the Buyer should insure accordingly.
- On completion of the Work, GPL will store the Buyer's materials and Work for a maximum of one month, after which time they will be destroyed without further notice.

6. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY GPL

- Plates, paper and materials owned by GPL and used in the production processes, together with items thereby produced, shall remain GPL's exclusive property.
- Electronic artwork will be archived and materials supplied for production will be held in a job bag for a limited period immediately after the order is executed unless written arrangements are made to the contrary. In the latter event, storage shall be charged.
- GPL shall not be obliged to download any digital data from his equipment or supply the same to the Buyer on disc, USB stick, via the internet or by any communication link.

7. RETENTION OF TITLE

- The Work remains GPL's property until the Buyer has paid for it and discharged all other debts owing to GPL.
- If the Buyer becomes subject to Insolvency and the Work has not been paid for in full GPL may take the goods back and, if necessary, enter the Buyer's premises to do so, or to inspect and/or label the goods so as to identify them clearly.
- If the Buyer shall sell the goods before they have been paid for in full he shall hold the proceeds of sale on trust for GPL in a separate account until any sum owing to GPL has been discharged from such proceeds.
- Where the Buyer is in breach of these Terms or performs any act of Bankruptcy or Insolvency GPL reserves the

right to approach the Buyer's customer and to offer the Work directly to them, notwithstanding the fact that this will involve advising the Buyer's customer that the Buyer is in breach or in default.

8. PROOFS AND VARIATIONS

- GPL shall incur no liability for any errors not corrected by the Buyer where the Buyer has been provided with proofs. The Buyer's alterations and additional proofs necessitated thereby shall be charged extra. When style, type or layout is left to GPL's judgement, changes therefrom made by the Buyer shall be charged extra.
- Where the Buyer specifically waives any requirement to examine proofs GPL is indemnified by the Buyer against any and all errors in the finished Work.
- Colour proofs due to differences in equipment, paper, inks and other conditions between digital colour proofing and litho production runs, a reasonable variation in colour between colour proofs and the completed job will be deemed acceptable unless otherwise agreed in writing.
- Variations in quantity. Every endeavour will be made to deliver the correct quantity ordered, but estimates are conditional upon margins of 10 per cent for work being allowed for overs or unders the same to be charged or deducted, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

9. CLAIMS AND LIABILITY

9.1 CLAIMS

- Advice of damage, delay or loss of goods in transit or of non-delivery must be given in writing to GPL and the carrier within three clear days of delivery (or, in the case of non-delivery, within 3 days of notification of despatch of the goods) and any claim in respect thereof must be made in writing to GPL and the carrier within seven clear days of delivery (or, in the case of non-delivery, within 7 days of notification of despatch). All other claims must be made in writing to GPL within 14 days of delivery. GPL shall not be liable in respect of any claim unless the aforementioned requirements have been complied with except in any particular case where the Buyer proves that (i) it was not possible to comply with the requirements and (ii) the claim was made as soon as reasonably possible.
- If the Work is defective so that the Buyer may in law reject it, said rejection must take place within 7 days of delivery of the goods, failing which the Buyer will be deemed to have accepted the Work.
- In the event of all or any claims or rejections GPL reserves the right to inspect the Work within seven days of the claim or rejection being notified.

9.2 LIABILITY

- Insofar as is permitted by law where Work is defective for any reason, including negligence, GPL's liability (if any) shall be limited to rectifying such defect, or crediting its value against any invoice raised in respect of the Work.
- Where GPL performs its obligations to rectify defective Work under this condition GPL shall not be liable for indirect loss, consequential loss or third party claims occasioned by defective Work and the Buyer shall not be entitled to any further claim in respect of the Work nor shall the Buyer be entitled to repudiate the contract, refuse to pay for the work or cancel further deliveries.
- Defective Work must be returned to GPL before replacement or credits can be issued. If the subject Work is not available to GPL then GPL will hold that the Buyer has accepted the Work and no credits or replacement Work will be provided.
- GPL shall not be liable for indirect loss, consequential loss or third party claims occasioned by delay in completing the work or for any loss to the Buyer arising from delay in transit, whether as a result of GPL's negligence or otherwise.
- Where GPL offers to replace defective Work the Buyer must accept such an offer unless he can show clear cause for refusing so to do. If the Buyer opts to have the work re-done by any third party without reference to GPL the Buyer automatically revokes his right to any remedy from GPL, including but not exclusively the right to a credit in respect of Work done by GPL.
- Where the Work will be forwarded by or on behalf of the Buyer to a third party for further processing the Buyer will be deemed to have inspected and approved the Work prior to forwarding and GPL accepts no liability for claims arising subsequent to the third party's processing.
- GPL reserves the right to reject any work forwarded to him after initial processing by a third party as soon as is reasonably practicable without processing the work any further. Should the Buyer require GPL notwithstanding to continue, then GPL is only obliged to do so after confirmation from the Buyer in writing.
- Nothing in these conditions shall exclude GPL's liability for death or personal injury as a result of its negligence.

10. INSOLVENCY

Without prejudice to other remedies, if the Buyer becomes insolvent, GPL shall have the right not to proceed further with the contract or any other work for the Buyer and be entitled to charge for work already carried out (whether completed or not) and materials purchased for the Buyer, such charge to be an immediate debt due to him. Any unpaid invoices shall become immediately due for payment.

11. GENERAL LIEN

Without prejudice to other remedies, in respect of all unpaid debts due from the Buyer GPL shall have a general lien on all goods and property of or provided by the Buyer in his possession (whether worked on or not) and shall be entitled on the expiration of 14 days' notice to dispose of such goods or property as agent for the Buyer in such manner and at such price as he thinks fit and to apply the proceeds towards such debts, and shall when accounting to the Buyer for any balance remaining be discharged from all liability in respect of such goods or property.

12. ILLEGAL MATTER

- GPL shall not be required to print any matter which in his opinion is or may be of an illegal or libellous nature or an infringement of the proprietary or other rights of any third party.
- GPL shall be indemnified by the Buyer in respect of any claims, costs and expenses arising out of the printing by GPL for the Buyer of any illegal or unlawful matter including matter which is libellous or infringes copyright, patent, design or any other proprietary or personal rights. The indemnity shall include (without limitation) any amounts paid on a lawyer's advice in settlement of any claim that any matter is libellous or such an infringement.

13. PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS

A contract for the printing of a periodical publication may not be terminated by either party unless 13 weeks notice in writing is given in the case of periodicals produced monthly or more frequently or 26 weeks notice in writing is given in the case of other periodicals. Notice must be given after completion of work on any one issue. Nevertheless GPL may terminate any such contract forthwith should any sum due thereunder remain unpaid.

14. FORCE MAJEURE

GPL shall be under no liability if they shall be unable to carry out any provision of the contract for any reason beyond their reasonable control including (without limiting the foregoing): Act of God; legislation; war; fire; flood; drought; inadequacy or unsuitability of any instructions, electronic file or other data or materials supplied by the Buyer; failure of power supply; lock-out, strike or other action taken by employees in contemplation or furtherance of a dispute; or owing to any inability to procure materials required for the performance of the contract. During the continuance of such a contingency the Buyer may by written notice to GPL elect to terminate the contract and pay for work done and materials used, but subject thereto shall otherwise accept delivery when available.

15. DATA PROTECTION

The Buyer is hereby notified that GPL may transfer personal information about the Buyer to a Credit Agency pursuant to cl 2f above.

16. LAW

These conditions and all other express and implied terms of the contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of England and the parties agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

17. NOTICES

All specifications and notices relied on by either party and all variations to this agreement must be in writing and include a duly authorised signature.

18. CONSUMERS

Nothing in these Terms shall affect the rights of Consumers.

19. SEVERABILITY

All clauses and sub-clauses of this Agreement are severable and if any clause or identifiable part thereof is held to be unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction then such enforceability shall not affect the enforceability of the remaining provisions or identifiable parts thereof in these Terms and Conditions.