

MARTINDALES TRADE FRAMES TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

1 Interpretation

1.1 In these Terms:

'BUYER'	means the person who accepts the Seller's Written quotation for the sale of the Goods or whose order for the Goods is accepted by the Seller in Writing;
'GOODS'	means the goods which the Seller is to supply in accordance with these Terms;
'SELLER'	means MTF (UK) Limited (registered in England under number 04087387) trading as Martindales Trade Frames;
'CONTRACT'	means the contract for the sale and purchase of the Goods;
'TERMS'	means the standard terms of sale set out in this document and (unless the context otherwise requires) includes any special terms agreed in Writing between the Buyer and the Seller;
'WRITING'	and any similar expression, includes e-mail, facsimile transmission and comparable means of communication.

1.2 A reference in these Terms to a provision of a statute shall be construed as a reference to that provision as amended, re-enacted or extended at the relevant time.

1.3 The headings in these Terms are for convenience only and shall not affect their interpretation.

2 Basis of the sale

2.1 The Seller shall sell and the Buyer shall purchase the Goods in accordance with the Seller's Written quotation (if accepted by the Buyer), or the Buyer's order (if accepted by the Seller in Writing), subject in either case to these Terms, which shall govern the Contract to the exclusion of any other terms subject to which any such quotation is accepted or purported to be accepted, or any such order is made or purported to be made, by the Buyer.

2.2 No variation to these Terms shall be binding unless agreed in Writing between the authorised representatives of the Buyer and the Seller.

2.3 The Seller's employees or agents are not authorised to make any representations concerning the Goods unless confirmed by the Seller in Writing. In entering into the Contract the Buyer acknowledges that it does not rely on any such representations which are not so confirmed, but nothing in these Terms affects the liability of either party for fraudulent misrepresentation.

2.4 Any advice or recommendation given by the Seller or its employees or agents to the Buyer or its employees or agents as to the storage, application or use of the Goods which is not confirmed in Writing by the Seller is followed or acted upon entirely at the Buyer's own risk, and accordingly the Seller shall not be liable for any such advice or recommendation which is not so confirmed.

2.5 Any typographical, clerical or other error or omission in any sales literature, quotation, price list, acceptance of offer, invoice or other document or information issued by the Seller shall be subject to correction without any liability on the part of the Seller.

3 Orders and specifications

3.1 No order submitted by the Buyer shall be deemed to be accepted by the Seller unless and until confirmed in Writing by the Seller's authorised representative.

3.2 The Buyer shall be responsible to the Seller for ensuring the accuracy of the terms of any order (including any applicable specification) submitted by the Buyer, and for giving the Seller any necessary information relating to the Goods within a sufficient time to enable the Seller to perform the Contract in accordance with its terms.

3.3 The Buyer shall be responsible for and acknowledges that it does not rely on the Seller in selecting the Goods and in particular, but without limitation, ensuring that the Goods are suitable in all respects for the use or uses to which the Buyer intends to put them.

3.4 The quantity, quality and description of the Goods and any specification for them shall be as set out in the Seller's quotation (if accepted by the Buyer) or the Buyer's order (if accepted by the Seller).

3.5 The Seller reserves the right to make any changes in the specification of the Goods which are required to conform with any applicable statutory or E.U. requirements or, where the Goods are to be supplied to the Seller's specification, which do not materially affect their quality or performance.

3.6 No order which has been accepted by the Seller may be cancelled by the Buyer except with the agreement in Writing of the Seller and on terms that the Buyer shall indemnify the Seller in full against all loss (including loss of profit), costs (including the cost of all labour and materials used), damages, charges and expenses incurred by the Seller as a result of cancellation.

4 Price of the goods

4.1 The price of the Goods shall be the Seller's quoted price or, where no price has been quoted (or a quoted price is no longer valid), the price listed in the Seller's published price list current at the date of acceptance of the order. All prices quoted are valid for 30 days only or until earlier acceptance by the Buyer, after which time they may be altered by the Seller without giving notice to the Buyer.

4.2 The Seller reserves the right, by giving Written notice to the Buyer at any time before delivery, to increase the price of the Goods to reflect any increase in the cost to the Seller which is due to any factor beyond the control of the Seller (such as, without limitation, any significant increase in the costs of materials or other costs of manufacture), any change in delivery dates, quantities or specifications for the Goods which is requested by the Buyer, or any delay caused by any instructions of the Buyer or failure of the Buyer to give the Seller adequate information or instructions.

4.3 All prices are given by the Seller on an ex works basis, and where the Seller agrees to deliver the Goods otherwise than at the Seller's premises, the Buyer shall be liable to pay the Seller's charges for transport, packaging and insurance unless the Seller has agreed to waive such charges in Writing.

4.4 The price is exclusive of any applicable value added tax, which the Buyer shall be additionally liable to pay to the Seller.

5 Terms of payment

5.1 Subject to any special terms agreed in Writing between the Buyer and the Seller, the Seller may invoice the Buyer for the price of the Goods at any time after the Seller's Written quotation is accepted by the Buyer or, as the case may be, the Buyer's order is accepted by the Seller in Writing.

5.2 Subject to any special terms agreed in Writing between the Buyer and the Seller, the Buyer shall pay the price of the Goods on delivery. The Seller shall not be bound to deliver the Goods until the Buyer has paid for them and the Seller shall be entitled to recover the price, notwithstanding that delivery may not have taken place and the property in the Goods has not passed to the Buyer. The time of payment of the price shall be of the essence of the Contract. Receipts for payment will be issued only upon request.

5.3 If the Buyer fails to make any payment on the due date then, without limiting any other right or remedy available to the Seller, the Seller may:

- 5.3.1 cancel the contract or suspend any further deliveries to the Buyer;
- 5.3.2 appropriate any payment made by the Buyer to such of the Goods (or the goods supplied under any other contract between the Buyer and the Seller) as the Seller may think fit (notwithstanding any purported appropriation by the Buyer); and
- 5.3.3 charge the Buyer interest (both before and after any judgment) on the amount unpaid pursuant to the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum above Bank of England base rate from time to time, until payment in full is made.

6 Delivery

6.1 Delivery of the Goods shall be made by the Buyer collecting the Goods at the Seller's premises at any time after the Seller has notified the Buyer that the Goods are ready for collection or, if some other place for delivery is agreed by the Seller, by the Seller delivering the Goods to that place.

6.2 Any dates quoted for delivery of the Goods are approximate only and the Seller shall not be liable for any delay in delivery of the Goods however caused. Time for delivery shall not be of the essence of the Contract unless previously agreed by the Seller in Writing. The Goods may be delivered by the Seller in advance of the quoted delivery date on giving reasonable notice to the Buyer.

6.3 Where the Goods are to be delivered in instalments, each delivery shall constitute a separate contract and failure by the Seller to deliver any one or more of the instalments in accordance with these Terms or any claim by the Buyer in respect of any one or more instalments shall not entitle the Buyer to treat the Contract as a whole as repudiated.

6.4 Any advice or recommendation given by the Seller or its employees or agents to the Buyer or its employees or agents as to the storage of the Goods following delivery which is not confirmed in Writing by the Seller is followed or acted on entirely at the Buyer's own risk and accordingly the Seller shall not be liable for any such advice or recommendation which is not so confirmed.

6.5 If the Seller fails to deliver the Goods (or any instalment) for any reason other than any cause beyond the Seller's reasonable control or the Buyer's fault, and the Seller is accordingly liable to the Buyer, the Seller's liability shall be limited to the excess (if any) of the cost to the Buyer (in the cheapest available market) of similar goods to replace those not delivered over the price of the Goods.

6.6 If the Buyer fails to take delivery of the Goods or fails to give the Seller adequate delivery instructions at the time stated for delivery (otherwise than by reason of any cause beyond the Buyer's reasonable control or by reason of the Seller's fault) then, without limiting any other right or remedy available to the Seller, the Seller may:

- 6.6.1 store the Goods until actual delivery and charge the Buyer for the reasonable costs (including insurance) of storage; or
- 6.6.2 sell the Goods at the best price readily obtainable and (after deducting all reasonable storage and selling expenses) account to the Buyer for the excess over the price under the Contract or charge the Buyer for any shortfall below the price under the Contract; or
- 6.6.3 where the Goods are not readily resalable for any reason, dispose of the Goods and charge the Buyer for the price of the Goods under the Contract.

7 Installation

Where the Seller has agreed in Writing to install the Goods:

7.1 Before the agreed delivery date the Buyer must:

- 7.1.1 inform the Seller of any problems we may encounter in gaining access to the premises or any part of the premises in which the Goods are to be installed;
- 7.1.2 provide the Seller with any information the Seller requires about the fabric and structure of the premises in which the Goods are to be installed;
- 7.1.3 ensure that the part of the premises in which the Goods are to be installed are clear and fully accessible; and,
- 7.1.4 ensure that there is a safe electricity supply sufficient for the Seller's purposes

and the Seller reserves the right to charge the Buyer for any costs and expenses incurred by the Seller as a result of the Buyer's failure to comply with these obligations.

7.2 The Seller will install the Goods using reasonable care and skill and as far as reasonably possible within the time[s] (if any) agreed with the Buyer.

7.3 If the Seller encounters any conditions on site which the Buyer has not informed the Seller about or which were not immediately apparent when the Seller inspected the site prior to installation the Seller shall be entitled to change the design and specification of the Goods in accordance with clause 3.5 above.

7.4 The Seller accepts no responsibility for any inevitable damage or damage to decorations which is caused by the proper installation of the Goods.

7.5 Once the installation of the Goods is completed the Seller will leave the site reasonably clean and tidy and clear of all rubbish packaging and unused materials.

7.6 Once the Goods have been installed the Buyer will be asked to sign to confirm its acceptance of them. Before signing the Buyer must inspect the Goods thoroughly and test any fittings to ensure that it is satisfied with them. If the Buyer finds any faults it must note them on the acceptance form.

8 Risk and property

8.1 Risk of damage to or loss of the Goods shall pass to the Buyer:

- 8.1.1 in the case of Goods to be delivered at the Seller's premises, at the time when the Seller notifies the Buyer that the Goods are available for collection; or
- 8.1.2 in the case of Goods to be delivered otherwise than at the Seller's premises, at the time of delivery or, if the Buyer wrongfully fails to take delivery of the Goods, the time when the Seller has tendered delivery of the Goods.

8.2 Notwithstanding delivery and the passing of risk in the Goods, or any other provision of these Terms, the property in the Goods shall not pass to the Buyer until the Seller has received in cash or cleared funds payment in full of the price of the Goods and all other goods agreed to be sold by the Seller to the Buyer for which payment is then due.

8.3 Until such time as the property in the Goods passes to the Buyer, the Buyer shall hold the Goods as the Seller's fiduciary agent and bailee, and shall keep the Goods separate from those of the Buyer and third parties and property stored, protected and insured and identified as the Seller's property, but the Buyer may resell or use the Goods in the ordinary course of its business.

8.4 Until such time as the property in the Goods passes to the Buyer (and provided the Goods are still in existence and have not been resold), the Seller may at any time require the Buyer to deliver up the Goods to the Seller and, if the Buyer fails to do so forthwith, enter on any premises of the Buyer or any third party where the Goods are stored and repossess the Goods.

8.5 The Buyer shall not be entitled to pledge or in any way charge by way of security for any indebtedness any of the Goods which remain the property of the Seller, but if the Buyer does so all moneys owing by the Buyer to the Seller shall (without limiting any other right or remedy of the Seller) forthwith become due and payable.

9 Warranties and liability

9.1 Subject to the following provisions the Goods are supplied with the benefit of the Seller's standard guarantee and warranty current at the date of Contract (the Seller's Warranty).

9.2 The Seller's Warranty is given by the Seller subject to the following conditions:

- 9.2.1 the Seller shall be under no liability in respect of any defect in the Goods arising from any drawing, design or specification supplied by the Buyer;
- 9.2.2 the Seller shall be under no liability in respect of any defect arising from fair wear and tear, wilful damage, negligence, abnormal working conditions, faulty installation, failure to follow the Seller's instructions (whether oral or in Writing), misuse or alteration or repair of the Goods without the Seller's approval;
- 9.2.3 the Seller shall be under no liability under the Seller's Warranty (or any other warranty, condition or guarantee) if the total price for the Goods has not been paid by the due date for payment;
- 9.2.4 the Seller's Warranty does not extend to parts, materials or equipment not manufactured by the Seller, in respect of which the Buyer shall only be entitled to the benefit of any such warranty or guarantee as is given by the manufacturer to the Seller.

9.3 Subject as expressly provided in these Terms, and except where the Goods are sold to a person dealing as a consumer (within the meaning of the Unfair Contract Terms Act 1977), all warranties, conditions or other terms implied by statute or common law are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law.

9.4 Where the Goods are sold under a consumer transaction (as defined by the Consumer Transactions (Restrictions on Statements) Order 1976) the statutory rights of the Buyer are not affected by these Terms.

9.5 Except in respect of death or personal injury caused by the Seller's negligence, or liability for defective products under the Consumer Protection Act 1987, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer by reason of any representation (unless fraudulent), or any implied warranty, condition or other term, or any duty at common law, or under the express terms of the Contract, for loss of profit or for any indirect, special or consequential loss or damage, costs, expenses or other claims for compensation whatsoever (whether caused by the negligence of the Seller, its employees or agents or otherwise) which arise out of or in connection with the supply of the Goods (including any delay in supplying or any failure to supply the Goods in accordance with the Contract or at all) or their use or resale by the Buyer, and the entire liability of the Seller under or in connection with the Contract shall not exceed the price of the Goods, except as expressly provided in these Terms.

9.6 The Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer or be deemed to be in breach of the Contract by reason of any delay in performing, or any failure to perform, any of the Seller's obligations in relation to the Goods, if the delay or failure was due to any cause beyond the Seller's reasonable control.

10 Insolvency of buyer

10.1 This clause 10 applies if:

- 10.1.1 the Buyer makes a voluntary arrangement with its creditors or (being an individual or firm) becomes bankrupt or (being a company) becomes subject to an administration order or goes into liquidation (otherwise than for the purposes of amalgamation or reconstruction); or
- 10.1.2 an encumbrancer takes possession, or a receiver is appointed, of any of the property or assets of the Buyer; or
- 10.1.3 the Buyer ceases, or threatens to cease, to carry on business; or
- 10.1.4 the Seller reasonably apprehends that any of the events mentioned above is about to occur in relation to the Buyer and notifies the Buyer accordingly.

10.2 If this clause applies then, without limiting any other right or remedy available to the Seller, the Seller may cancel the Contract or suspend any further deliveries under the Contract without any liability to the Buyer, and if the Goods have been delivered but not paid for the price shall become immediately due and payable notwithstanding any previous agreement or arrangement to the contrary.

11 General

11.1 A notice required or permitted to be given by either party to the other under these Terms shall be in Writing addressed to that other party at its registered office or principal place of business or such other address as may at the relevant time have been notified pursuant to this provision to the party giving the notice.

11.2 No waiver by the Seller of any breach of the Contract by the Buyer shall be considered as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision.

11.3 If any provision of the Contract is held by a court or other competent authority to be invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part the validity of the other provisions of the Contract and the remainder of the provision in question shall not be affected.

11.4 The Contract shall be governed by the laws of England.