# General Terms and Conditions of Contracts, Delivery and Services of Rohm Semiconductor GmbH

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#### 1. Scope, general

- 1.1 These General Terms and Conditions of Contracts, Delivery and Services (General T&Cs) shall apply exclusively to companies, within the meaning of Section 14 of the German Civil Code (BGB) i.e. natural persons or legal entities that purchase the goods or service for commercial or professional purposes, and to entities subject to public law and special funds under public law.
- 1.2 The terms and conditions set forth below (General T&Cs) shall apply exclusively to our business relations with our customers, also with respect to information and advice. Where our General Terms and Conditions are implemented in business with a customer, they shall also apply to all further business relations between the customer and ourselves unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing.

Differing terms and conditions of the buyer and/or ordering party, hereinafter referred to as "customer(s)", shall only apply if we expressly acknowledge them in writing; otherwise they shall be rejected. Our silence regarding such differing terms and conditions shall not be deemed in particular to be acknowledgement or consent, and this shall also apply to future contracts.

Our General T&Cs shall apply in place of any general terms and conditions of the customer, especially terms and conditions of purchase of the customer, even if, according to such terms and conditions of purchase, acceptance of an order is deemed to be the unconditional acknowledgement of the terms and conditions of purchase, or we deliver, after the customer has indicated the validity of its general terms and conditions of purchase, unless we have expressly waived the validity of our own General T&Cs visà-vis the customer. Exclusion of the customer's general terms and conditions shall also apply if the general terms and conditions shall also apply if the general terms and conditions of our General Terms and Conditions. By accepting our order confirmation or the service according to the contract, the customer expressly acknowledges that it waives its legal objection derived from the terms and conditions of purchase that our General Terms and Conditions do not apply.

- 1.3 If general contracts or other contracts have been concluded with our customers, these shall take precedence. They shall be supplemented by these General Terms and Conditions unless more specific regulations are agreed.
- 1.4 If claims for damages are specified below, this shall in the same way also mean claims for the refund of expenses within the meaning of Section 284 BGB.

## 2. Information / Advice / Properties of the products and services / Cooperation of the customer

2.1 Information and explanations regarding our products and services provided by ourselves or our distributors shall be provided solely on the basis of our experience to date. They do not constitute any properties or warranties whatsoever in relation to our products. Values specified in this context shall be deemed average values of our products.

Unless otherwise expressly agreed, we shall not be responsible for our products and/or services being suitable for the research and/or development objective of the customer or a third party supplied by the customer.

Product specifications agreed with the customer conclusively determine the properties due according to the contract. Further properties of the delivery item or our service affected by this, such as suitability for the intended purpose notified by the customer or customary properties of such products, shall not be due.

- 2.2. Any information about our products and services, especially information in our quotations and brochures and on the internet and the illustrations, drawings, measurement, property or performance characteristics contained therein and other data, especially technical data or information on ingredients, shall be deemed approximate average values, unless otherwise agreed. This shall apply accordingly to statements made by our employees unless otherwise agreed. Data of our products without tolerances too, as included on our website or in our catalogues and/or prochures, are subject to production-related deviations and changes customary in the trade and/or industry, especially due to further developments in production technology and related materials.
- 2.3 If we provide instructions for use, these shall be drawn up with the care customary in the industry but do not release our customer from the obligation to inspect the products carefully regarding their suitability for the purpose intended by the customer. The customer shall be obliged in any case, unless otherwise agreed, to check

whether our products and/or services can be used for the purpose intended by the customer. This shall also apply to indications regarding import and/or approval regulations.

- 2.4 We assume an obligation to provide advice only on the basis of an express, separate consultancy agreement.
- 2.5 Reference to standards, similar regulations and technical information, descriptions and illustrations of the delivery item in quotations and brochures respectively on the internet and in our advertising as well as to analyses provided or description of physical properties shall only represent a property of our products when we have expressly declared the quality to be a "property of the product". These are otherwise non-binding, general specifications of performance. This shall also apply to statements made by our employees unless otherwise agreed.
- 2.6 We shall only be deemed to have given a guarantee if we have designated a property and/or the outcome of performance as "guaranteed by law" in writing.
- 2.7 We shall assume no liability that our products or services can be used and/or registered and/or marketed for the customer's intended purpose other than liability mandatory by law, unless we have expressly agreed otherwise with the customer. This shall not affect the stipulation in para. 11.
- 2.8 The customer shall be obliged to provide us with all information and data required to perform in due time and in full.
- 2.9 Before providing its own information and data, the customer shall make copies so that reconstruction is possible in the event of damage or loss.
- 2.10 If the customer fails to comply with its obligations stated in para. 2.8 and 2.9, we shall have the right to charge the customer separately for expenses and costs we incur as a result.

## 3. Specimens / Documents and data provided / Samples / Estimates of cost

3.1 Properties of specimens or samples shall only become an integral part of the contract if this was *expressly* agreed in writing. The customer is *not* authorised to use and pass on samples.

Where goods are sold by us based on a sample, deviations herefrom in the goods supplied shall be admissible and shall not give cause for complaints and claims against us if they do not have a sustained impact on the normally intended use of the delivered goods and the delivered goods comply with any specifications agreed, unless otherwise agreed.

3.2 We shall retain all title and copyrights to samples, illustrations, drawings, data, estimates of cost and other documents about our products and services disclosed or provided to the customer. The customer undertakes not to make the samples, data and/or documents specified in the foregoing sentence available to third parties unless we give our express written consent, and to return them to us on request unless an order based on them has been placed with us.

The stipulations in sentences 1 and 2 shall apply accordingly to the customer's documents, drawings or data. We may, however, make them available to such third parties, whom we are allowed to instruct to make deliveries and/or provide services with the customer under the contract or whom we use as vicarious agents.

# 4. Conclusion of contracts / Scope of delivery and service / Procurement risk and guarantee

4.1 Our quotations are subject to change unless they are expressly designated as binding or expressly contain binding commitments or their binding nature was otherwise expressly agreed. They are requests for orders.

The customer shall be bound by its order as a contract application for 14 calendar days - in the case of electronic orders 4 working days at our registered office - after our receipt of the order unless the customer must expect to receive our acceptance on a regular basis at a later date (Section 147 BGB). This shall also apply to reorders of the customer.

4.2 A contract is created, also in day-to-day business, only when we confirm the customer's order in writing or text form (i.e. also by telefax or email) by order confirmation. An order confirmation shall only apply subject to the proviso that any outstanding payment arrears of the customer are settled and that any credit assessment of the customer undertaken by us does not disclose any negative information. Where delivery is made or a service provided within the period by which the customer is bound by the quotation, our confirmation can be replaced by our delivery.

- 4.3 In the event of call orders or acceptance delays caused by the customer, we shall have the right to procure the material for the entire order and to manufacture the total quantity ordered immediately respectively to buy the total quantity ordered. After the order is placed, no change requests from the customer can, therefore, be considered unless this was expressly agreed in writing. In the case of call orders without agreement of delivery date, production batches and/or acceptance dates, we can at the latest 3 months after order confirmation require an immediate, binding stipulation about this in a time corridor of a further 2 months from the customer. If the customer fails to comply with this requirement within 2 weeks, we shall have the right, after setting the customer an extension of time of two weeks, to rescind that part of the contract not yet fulfilled and to claim damages in lieu of performance.
- 4.4 The customer must notify us in writing or text form in due time prior to conclusion of the contract of any special requirements of our products. Such notification shall not, however, extend our contractual obligations and liability.

Unless otherwise expressly agreed, we shall only be obliged to supply the ordered products as goods which are marketable and eligible for approval in the Federal Republic of Germany.

- 4.5 We shall only be obliged to deliver from our own stock (**obligation to deliver from stock**).
- 4.6 Assumption of a procurement risk or a procurement guarantee is not based solely on our obligation to deliver an item which is defined solely by its class.
- 4.7 We shall only assume a procurement risk within the meaning of Section 276 BGB by virtue of a separate written agreement stating "we assume the procurement risk...".
- 4.8 If acceptance of the products or their shipment or the acceptance of our service is delayed for a reason for which the customer is responsible, we shall have the right, after setting an extension of time of 14 days which has expired, at our option to request immediate payment of remuneration, or to rescind the contract or refuse performance and request damages in lieu of full performance. The time limit must be given in writing or text form. In doing so, we do not have to refer again to our rights under this clause
- 4.9 If shipment is delayed at the customer's request or for reasons for which the customer is responsible, we shall have the right to store the goods, beginning on expiry of the reasonable period set in the notice in writing or text form that the goods are ready for shipment, at the customer's risk of loss and deterioration of the goods, and to invoice the costs incurred for this at 0.5 % of the net invoice amount of the stored goods for each full week or part thereof. The stored goods shall only be insured at the customer's specific request. This shall not affect the assertion of any further rights. The right is reserved for the customer to prove that no costs or considerably lower costs (more than 10 % lower) were incurred.

Furthermore, we shall have the right, after the foregoing period according to para. 4.8 sentence 1 expires, to dispose of the contract goods otherwise, and to make a new delivery to the customer after a reasonable period (= original delivery period plus 7 calendar days scheduling period).

4.10 If an order or call for delivery is delayed by the customer, we shall have the right to postpone the delivery by the same period of time as the customer is behind schedule plus a scheduling period of 4 working days at the place of delivery.

If a purchase on call is agreed, we must receive the individual calls, unless otherwise agreed, at least 6 weeks prior to the requested delivery date, unless a shorter call or delivery period was agreed. Unless agreed to the contrary, the customer shall be obliged to take delivery of the purchased goods in full within one year of the order confirmation being issued. If the goods are not called in due time, we shall have the right to remind the customer of the calls and their planning and to set an extension of time for making calls and planning of 14 days. After expiry of the period without result, we shall have the right to rescind the contract or request damages in lieu of performance. In doing so, we do not have to refer again to our rights under this clause. Para. 4.8 (2) shall apply accordingly.

4.11 Unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing or text form or we are subject to different statutory provisions, we shall only be

required to provide user information for our products and a product label in German or, at the customer's request, in English.

The customer shall be responsible for providing us with any necessary information regarding the ordered goods within a reasonable period of time to allow the order to be executed according to the contract.

- 4.12 We reserve the right to change the specifications of the goods, in so far as legal requirements make this necessary, provided that such change does not cause any deterioration in terms of quality and usability for the usual purpose, and, if suitability for a specific purpose was agreed, for that purpose. If this is not possible, the contract shall be accordingly adjusted. If this is not possible or is objectively unreasonable for a party e.g. because the customer can no longer use the product as a result of the change or a change cannot be implemented with our product capacities or sources of supply, both parties shall have the right without compensation to rescind that part of the contract not yet fulfilled.
- 4.13 We shall have the right to make excess or short deliveries of up to 5 % of the agreed delivery quantity. The remuneration shall be increased or reduced according to the change of delivery quantity.

In addition, we shall have the right to supply products with deviations customary in the trade in terms of quality, dimensions, weight, colour and equipment, if the customer will not suffer any unacceptable disadvantage for himself. Such goods shall be deemed to conform with the contract.

### 5. Delivery / Delivery time / Default in delivery / Packaging

- 5.1 Binding delivery dates and periods must be agreed expressly and in writing as binding. We shall make every endeavour to meet delivery dates and periods that are not binding or approximate (approx... about etc.).
- 5.2 Delivery and/or service periods shall begin with the customer's receipt of our order confirmation, in the absence of such and if the order confirmation is replaced by our delivery/service (see 4.2, sentence 3, of the General T&Cs) 3 working days at our registered office after our receipt of the purchase order from the customer and acceptance of the same by us but not before all details about the execution of the order have been clarified and all other requirements to be fulfilled by the customer are met, in particular advance payments or securities agreed and cooperation required are made resp. provided in full. This shall apply accordingly to delivery dates and service dates. If the customer requires changes after placing the order, a new, reasonable delivery and/or service period shall begin when we confirm the change. Reasonable means a delivery period which corresponds to the originally remaining delivery period plus the period of change negotiations and a scheduling period of 14 calendar days.
- 5.3 Deliveries may be made and/or services provided prior to expiry of the time of delivery/service. The date of delivery for obligations to be performed at our place of business shall be deemed the date on which the products are reported ready for shipment, otherwise the date on which the products are sent. The date of delivery for obligations to be performed at the customer's place of business shall be deemed the date of delivery at the agreed place of delivery.

The unloading of the goods shall be the responsibility of the customer where it has been agreed that the obligation is to be performed at the customer's place of business and shall be borne by the customer.

- 5.4 The customer's interest in our performance shall lapse for lack of any other written agreement only if we fail to deliver material parts or deliver with delay.
- 5.5 If we default in delivery, the customer must first set us a reasonable extension of time for performance of at least 14 days, unless this is unreasonable. If this elapses without result, damage claims for breach of duty, for whatever reason, shall exist only as stipulated in para. 11.
- 5.6 We shall not be in default as long as the customer is in default in fulfilling obligations towards us; this shall also include obligations under other contracts.
- 5.7 We shall not be obliged to deliver as long as the means of transport to be provided by the customer is not available unless we have undertaken to provide the means of transport, or it has been agreed that the obligation is to be performed at the customer's place of business. However, we shall have the right, where the shipping order or call order can be carried out, to arrange delivery with our own means of transport or hired means of

transport. In this case, the goods shall be transported at the cus-

When unloading and retrieving the goods, the customer shall assist our personnel and/or vicarious agents if this is necessary and the customer can be expected to do so technically and logistically.

5.8 If no collection date which we have to confirm is given when the order is placed respectively delivery is not taken on the agreed collection date, we shall at our option ship the contract goods with a carrier instructed by us or we shall store the contract goods at the customer's expense. We shall invoice the customer additionally for packaging, transport and insurance costs incurred (the latter if transport insurance was agreed) when the goods are shipped.

If the goods are stored, the customer shall pay a lump sum for the stored goods, to be calculated according to para. 4.9. Both parties shall have the right to prove that costs were lower or higher; the customer shall also have the right to prove that no costs were incurred at all.

- 5.9 If the customer incurs damage as a result of our default, the customer shall have the right to request compensation for default. It shall amount, for each full week of default or part thereof, to 0.5 % of the net remuneration for the delivery of the goods and/or service which are delayed but in total at most to 5 % of the net remuneration for the complete delivery and/or complete service which, as a result of the default, is not provided by us in due time or according to the contract. Any further compensation for damages due to delay from us shall be excluded. This shall not apply in the case of an intentional, grossly negligent or fraudulent act by us, in the case of claims due to injury to life, limb or health, in the case of default where a fixed delivery date is agreed within the meaning of the law and the assumption of a performance guarantee or a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB and in the case of mandatory legal liability. This shall also not apply in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation. "Material contractual obligations" are obligations, the fulfilment of which defines the contract and on which the customer may rely.
- 5.10 Unless otherwise agreed, we shall take back packaging only by reason of and within the scope of our legal obligation.
- 5.11 There is no connection between the reversal of the burden of proof and the foregoing stipulations.

- 6. Force majeure / Delivery subject to availability
  6.1 If we do not receive deliveries or services from our sub-contractors for us to provide a delivery or service, which is due from us under the contract, despite proper and adequate stocking prior to conclusion of the contract with the customer in terms of quantity and quality under our delivery or service agreement with the customer i.e. in such a way that, upon fulfilment of the supplier resp. subcontractor obligation towards ourselves, we can fulfil the contract with the customer according to the nature of the goods, quantity of the goods and delivery time and/or service (congruent stocking) or they are incorrect or not in due time for reasons for which we are not responsible or events of force majeure occur of significant duration (i.e. of longer than 14 calendar days), we shall notify our customer in due time in writing or text form. In such case, we shall have the right to postpone the delivery for the duration of the obstruction, or to rescind the contract in whole or in part for the part not yet fulfilled if we have met our foregoing duty to provide information and have not assumed a procurement risk within the meaning of Section 276 BGB or a guarantee of delivery. Events of force majeure are strikes, lock-outs, official intervention, energy shortages and shortages of raw materials, epidemics, pandemics, transport bottlenecks or obstructions through no fault of our own, in particular general curfews and/or contact bans, as well as company obstructions through no fault of our own, e.g. due to fire, water and damage to machinery, and any other obstructions which, when considered objectively, were not culpably caused by us.
- 6.2 If a delivery date or delivery period is agreed with binding force and the agreed delivery date or the agreed delivery period is exceeded due to events according to para. 6.1., the customer shall have the right, after a reasonable extension of time has elapsed without success, to rescind the contract for that part of the contract not yet fulfilled. The customer shall have no further claims, especially claims for damages, in this case.
- 6.3 The above provision according to para. 6.2 shall apply accordingly if, for the reasons stated in para. 6.1, also without contractual agreement of a fixed delivery date, the customer cannot be objectively expected to adhere further to the contract.

### 7. Shipment / Passing of risk / Taking of delivery

- 7.1 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, delivery shall be ex works Incoterms 2020. In the case of an obligation to be performed at our place of business and an obligation to be performed at our place of business where we must dispatch the goods, the goods shall be transported at the customer's risk and expense
- 7.2 Unless otherwise agreed, we reserve the right to choose the route and means of transport where shipment is agreed. We shall, however, endeavour to take the customer's wishes into account with respect to the route and type of shipment without, however, the customer having a right to this. Any additional expenses as a result, also where delivery freight paid is agreed, shall, like the transport and insurance costs, be borne by the customer

If shipment is delayed with respect to the agreed date at the customer's request or through the customer's fault, we shall store the goods at the customer's expense and risk. Para. 5.8 (2) shall apply accordingly in this respect.

In this case, notice that the goods are ready for shipment shall be deemed equivalent to shipment.

If shipment to the port of destination agreed between the customer and ourselves is not possible for reasons for which we are not responsible (e.g. epidemic/pandemic), we shall have the right, after prior notice, at our reasonably exercised discretion (Section 315 BGB), to deliver in another port or by land. Additional costs incurred as a result shall be borne by the customer. The above right to change performance and the obligation to bear the costs shall not apply if we have not assumed a guarantee of delivery or, where performance of the obligation at the customer's place of business has been agreed, a procurement risk equivalent to a guarantee according to Section 276 BGB. Transport insurance shall be concluded in such case only at the customer's instruction and expense.

- 7.3 The risk of accidental loss or accidental deterioration shall pass to the customer, in the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at our place of business, upon the products to be delivered being handed over to the customer. In the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at our place of business with our obligation to dispatch the goods, the risk of accidental loss or accidental deterioration shall pass to the forwarding agent, carrier or firms otherwise entrusted with shipping the products upon the products being handed over but at the latest when the products leave our works, warehouse, branch or the manufacturer's works unless performance of the obligation at the customer's place of business is agreed. The foregoing shall also apply if an agreed partial delivery is carried out.
- 7.4 If a shipment is delayed because we assert our right of retention due to the customer's default in payment in whole or in part or due to another reason for which the customer is responsible, the risk shall pass to the customer at the latest as of the date on which the notice is sent to the customer stating that the delivery is ready for shipment and/or the service can be performed.

## 8. Notice of defects / Breach of duty due to material defects /

- 8.1 The customer must give us notice of recognisable material defects in writing or text form immediately but at the latest 12 days after collection, in the case of delivery ex works or storage location, otherwise, in the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at our place of business with our obligation to dispatch the goods, upon the goods being handed over to the carrier, and, in the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at the customer's place of business, upon delivery at the agreed place. Notice of hidden material defects must be given to us immediately after they are detected but the latter at the latest within the limitation period in respect of warranty according to para. 8.7. A notice of defects that fails to comply with requirements of time or form shall exclude any claim by the customer for breach of duty due to material defects. This shall not apply in the case of an intentional, grossly negligent or fraudulent act on our part, in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation, in the event of injury to life, limb or health or the assumption of a guarantee for the absence of defects or a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB or other mandatory statutory basis for liability, in particular under the Produkthaftungsgesetz [German Product Liability Act], and in the event of right of recourse in the supply chain (Sections 478, 479 BGB).
- 8.2 The delivering transport operator must also be notified of any material defects recognisable on delivery, and the recording of defects in written or text form must be arranged by the transport operator. Failure to have the delivering transport operator arrange the recording of the notice of defects in due time shall exclude any claim by the customer for breach of duty due to material defects. This shall not apply in the case of an intentional, grossly negligent or fraudulent act by us, in the event of injury to life, limb or health, or the assumption of a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276

BGB, a guarantee for the absence of defects, or mandatory statutory basis for liability, in particular under the Produkthaftungsgestz and in the event of right of recourse in the supply chain (Sections 478, 479 BGB).

If defects in number and weight were already recognisable upon delivery by virtue of the foregoing obligations to inspect, the customer must make a complaint about these defects to the delivering transport operator upon receipt of the products, and have this complaint certified. Failure to give notice of defects in due time to the transport operator shall also exclude any claim in this respect by the customer for breach of duty due to material defects. This shall not apply in the case of an intentional, grossly negligent act by us, in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation and in the event of injury to life, limb or health, or the assumption of a guarantee for the absence of defects, the assumption of a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB or in the case of a mandatory statutory basis for liability, in particular under the Produkthaftungsgesetz and in the event of right of recourse in the supply chain (Sections 478, 479 BGB).

8.3 When processing, treating, combining or mixing with other goods begins, the products delivered shall be deemed approved by the customer according to the contract. This shall apply if the products are shipped on from their original destination unless this corresponds to the normal use of the delivered goods.

Before any of the above activities begin or the products delivered by us are otherwise used, the customer shall be obliged to clarify, through inspections that are appropriate in terms of method and scope, whether the delivered products are suitable for the purposes the customer intends.

- 8.4 The customer must give notice in writing immediately of any other breach of duty by us, setting a reasonable time limit for remedy, before asserting any further rights, otherwise this shall cause the customer to forfeit the rights resulting herefrom. This shall not apply in the case of an intentional, grossly negligent or fraudulent act by us, in the event of injury to life, limb or health, or the assumption of a guarantee or a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB or a mandatory statutory basis for liability, in particular under the Produkthaftungsgesetz.
- 8.5 We shall remedy any defects, for which the customer itself is responsible, and eliminate any unjustified complaints, on behalf of and at the expense of the customer, if the customer is a business person within the meaning of the Handelsgesetzbuch [German Commercial Code].
- 8.6 Unless breach of duty by way of exception relates to the performance of work by us, the contract may not be rescinded if our breach of duty is not material.
- $8.7\ \mbox{The limitation}$  period for claims arising from breach of duty due to defective performance in the form of material defects is 12 months, unless otherwise expressly agreed, calculated from the date the risk passes (see para. 7.3), in the case of refusal to accept or take delivery by the customer, from the date of the notice that the goods are ready to be taken over where obligations are to be performed at our place of business, in the case of obligations to be performed at the customer's place of business from our attempt to deliver at the agreed place of delivery. This shall not apply to damage claims resulting from a guarantee, from the assumption of a procurement risk within the meaning of Section 276 BGB, claims for injury to life, limb or health, a fraudulent, intentional or grossly negligent act by us, in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation or if, in the cases of Sections 478, 479 BGB (recourse in the supply chain), Section 438 (1) No 2 (construction of buildings and delivery of objects for buildings), and Section 634 a (1) No 2 BGB (building defects), or insofar as a longer limitation period is otherwise mandatory by law. There is no connection between the reversal of the burden of proof and the foregoing provi-
- 8.8 If the customer or a third party rectifies the products delivered by us incorrectly, we shall not be liable for the resulting consequences. This shall also apply to any changes of the delivery item undertaken without our prior consent.
- 8.9 Further claims by the customer for or in connection with defects or consequential damage caused by a defect, for whatever reason, shall exist only subject to the provisions of para. 11.
- 8.10 Our warranty (claims for breach of duty due to defective performance in the case of material defects) and liability arising herefrom shall be excluded if defects and damages connected therewith cannot be proven to be due to defective material, defective design, defective execution, or defective manufacturing materials, or, if to be provided, defective instructions on use. Warranty and

liability arising herefrom shall be excluded due to breach of duty for defective performance in particular with respect to the consequences of incorrect use, inappropriate storage conditions, and the consequences of chemical, electromagnetic, mechanical or electrolytic influences that do not correspond with average standard influences provided for in our product description or a different agreed product specification or the product-specific data sheet provided by us or the manufacturer. The foregoing shall not apply in the case of a fraudulent, grossly negligent or intentional act by us, in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation or injury to life, limb or health, the assumption of a guarantee, a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB and/or liability due to a mandatory statutory basis for liability, in particular under the Produkthaftungsgesetz.

Any warranty and liability shall be excluded if the customer fails to comply with the technical regulations or instructions for use stipulated by the manufacturer and any defect or damage result from this. This shall not apply in the case of an intentional or grossly negligent act by us, in the event of injury to life, limb or health, or the assumption of a guarantee for absence of defects, the assumption of a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB or in the case of a mandatory statutory basis for liability, in particular under the Produkthaftungsgesetz and in the case of recourse in the supply chain (Sections 478, 479 BGB).

- 8.11 Claims by the customer for expenses required for the purpose of supplementary performance, in particular transport, travel, labour and material costs, shall be excluded if the expenses increase because the delivery item has been subsequently brought to a location other than the customer's branch for delivery, unless in doing so this complies with its intended use. Section 439 (3) BGB (seller bears the installation and dismantling costs for defective products) remains unaffected
- 8.12 Claims based on defects shall not exist in the case of only a minor deviation from the agreed or customary quality or usability.
- 8.13 We give no warranty according to Section 478 BGB (recourse in the supply chain - recourse against suppliers) if the customer has treated or processed or otherwise changed the products we supply under the contract except this does correspond to the intended use of the products agreed under the contract.
- 8.14 In the case of defects in components of other manufacturers which we cannot eliminate for reasons of licensing law or actual reasons, we shall assign our warranty claims against the manufacturers and suppliers to the customer for the purpose of asserting such rights. The customer shall not be obliged to assert such rights in court

The warranty claims shall exist against us in the case of material defects only if the assertion of the claims based on material defects against the manufacturer and/or our supplier was previously unsuccessful by the customer out of court or there is no prospect of success, e.g. due to insolvency, and the customer assigns the claims assigned to it back to us. We undertake to provide the customer with the information and documents necessary for the above-mentioned extrajudicial legal defence.

- 8.15 Recognition of breach of duty in the form of material defects shall at all times require an express declaration on our part.
- 8.16 There is no connection between the reversal of the burden of proof and the foregoing stipulations.

### 9. Prices / Payment terms / Objection of uncertainty

- 9.1 All prices are on principle quoted net in EUROs, ex works respectively warehouse, and exclude packaging for shipment by sea or air, freight, postage and, if a transport insurance was agreed, insurance costs, value added tax (if incurred by law) at the legally valid rate which shall be borne by the customer, any country-specific charges in the case of delivery to countries other than the Federal Republic of Germany, and customs duties and other fees and public charges for the delivery/service.
- 9.2 Payment methods other than cash payment or bank transfer shall require separate agreement between ourselves and the customer; this shall apply in particular to the issue of cheques and bills of exchange.
- 9.3 If taxes or charges are incurred by the customer or ourselves on the service we provide (withholding tax), the customer shall indemnify us against such taxes and charges.
- 9.4 We shall have the right to issue partial invoices depending on the progress of order processing and/or request payments on account corresponding to the progress of processing if we perform work

- 9.5 The purchase price in the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at our place of business shall be due for payment upon receipt of notification that the goods are available; in the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at our place of business with our obligation to dispatch the goods, upon the goods being handed over to the carrier; and in the case of an obligation agreed to be performed at the customer's place of business upon delivery of the goods.
- 9.6 If the customer pays in a currency other than EURO, payment shall only be satisfied when the foreign currency payment corresponds to the agreed EURO amount on the date of receipt of payment
- 9.7 Services that are not an integral part of the agreed scope of delivery shall be charged, unless otherwise agreed, on the basis of our respectively valid general price lists.
- 9.8 We shall have the right accordingly to increase the remuneration unilaterally where material production costs and/or material costs and/or product procurement costs, wage and ancillary wage costs, social security contributions as well as energy costs and costs due to environmental charges and/or currency regulations and/or changes in customs duties and/or freight rates are increased, if they have a direct or indirect impact on the manufacturing costs of the goods or procurement costs or costs of our contractually agreed services, and if more than 4 months elapse between conclusion of the contract and delivery. Such an abovementioned increase shall be excluded if the increase in costs for the above-mentioned factors is set off by a reduction in costs for other above-mentioned factors with respect to the overall cost burden for the delivery (balancing). If the above-mentioned cost factors are reduced without the reduction in costs being set off by the increase in other above-mentioned cost factors, the reduction in costs shall be passed on to the customer through a price reduction. The provision pursuant to sentence 1 and 2 above shall apply, irrespective, however, of the 4-month period specified above, if the customer is charged in EURO (sale in EURO) and our costs for procurement of the products to be supplied from the manufacturer (purchase in JPY) increase between conclusion of the contract and delivery (in each case with respect to the customer) due to fluctuations in these currencies. Where price increase factors are based on public law (such as taxes, customs duties etc. specific to goods or shipment), we shall have a corresponding right to adjust prices irrespective of the specified 4-month period.

If the new price based on our right to adjust prices as stated above is 20 % or higher than the original price, the customer shall have the right to rescind from the contracts which are affected from the price adjustments. The same applies to the case if several price adjustments in the time period of one year in total increase the threshold of 20 %. The customer can, however, assert this right only immediately after being notified of the increased price.

- 9.9 If, according to the contract, we bear the freight charges by way of exception, the customer shall bear the additional costs arising from increases in freight rates after the contract was concluded.
- 9.10 Goods shall be delivered to the customer in the first year of the supply relationship only against advance payment. After the above-mentioned period expires, payment shall be made DAP (documents against payment).
- 9.11 Payment terms agreed shall run with effect from the delivery date.
- 9.12 Once in default, default interest shall be charged of 9 % above the respective base rate when the claim for payment falls due. We reserve the right to assert damages in excess of this.
- 9.13 Where a bank transfer is agreed, the date payment is received by us or credited to our account resp. the account of the place of payment specified by us shall be deemed the payment date.
- 9.14 The customer's default in payment shall cause all claims for payment under the business relationship with the customer to become due immediately. Regardless of any agreements to defer payments, agreements on the term of bills of exchange and payment by instalment, all the customer's liabilities due to us shall in this case become due for payment immediately.
- 9.15 If payment terms are not met or circumstances known or recognisable that, in our proper commercial judgment, give rise to justified doubt about the customer's creditworthiness, also including such facts that existed when the contract was concluded but which were unknown to us or did not have to be known to us, we

- shall have the right, notwithstanding further statutory rights in such cases, to cease further work on current orders or stop the delivery, and to request advance payments or the provision of appropriate, customary securities, e.g. in the form of a bank guarantee issued at the customer's option by a German credit institution participating in the Deposit Protection Fund, for deliveries still outstanding, and, after expiry of a reasonable extension of time to provide such securities without result, to rescind the contract with respect to that part of the contract not yet fulfilled, irrespective of other statutory rights. The customer shall be obliged to reimburse us for all damages incurred by the non-performance of the contract.
- 9.16 The customer shall have a right of retention or right of set-off only with respect to those counterclaims that are not disputed or have been recognised by declaratory judgment unless these are the customer's principal claims for performance. This shall apply mutatis mutandis if the counterclaim for set off is in the synallagma (i.e. in the relationship of reciprocity between two performances in the contract concluded with us) with our claim.
- 9.17 The customer can only exercise a right of retention if its counterclaim relates to the same contractual relationship.
- 9.18 We shall only accept bills of exchange offered as an exception by expressively agreement and only on account of performance. We shall make discount charges from the due date of the invoice until the maturity date of the bill of exchange as well as charge costs for the bill of exchange. The customer shall bear interest and costs for the discounting or redemption of bills of exchange. With regard to bills of exchange and cheques, the date of their redemption shall be deemed the payment date. In the event of our company's bank refusing to discount a bill of exchange or in the event of reasonable doubt that a bill of exchange shall be discounted during the term of the bill of exchange, we shall have the right to request immediate payment in cash while the bill of exchange is taken back.
- 9.19 Incoming payments shall first be used to repay costs, then interest and finally the principal claims according to age.

Any determination to the contrary by the customer when making payment shall be disregarded.

- 9.20 Timeliness of payment, by whatever means it is made, shall be determined solely by the date on which it is credited to our account. The value date shall be decisive for cheque payments. Payments by the customer must be made for our benefit, all postage and charges paid.
- 9.21 We have the right to assign all claims arising from the contractual relationship with the customer without restriction to third parties.

#### 10. Retention of title / Attachment

- 10.1 We retain title to all goods we deliver (hereinafter referred to as a whole as "goods subject to retention of title") until all our claims under the business relationship with the customer, including claims arising in the future from contracts concluded at a later date, are paid. This shall also apply to any balance in our favour when any or all claims by us are incorporated in a current account and the balance has been established.
- 10.2 The customer must insure the goods subject to retention of title adequately, in particular against fire and theft. Claims against the insurance arising from a case of damage relating to goods subject to retention of title are herewith assigned to us in the value of the goods subject to retention of title and this assignment is already now accepted by us at this stage.
- 10.3 The customer is authorised to resell the delivered products in the normal course of business. The customer is not permitted to make other disposals, especially pledging or granting of equitable lien. If the goods subject to retention of title are not paid for immediately by third-party purchasers when resold, the customer shall be obliged to resell under retention of title only. Authorisation to resell the goods subject to retention of title shall cease to apply automatically if the customer suspends its payment or defaults in payment to us.
- 10.4 The customer herewith assigns to us all claims including securities and ancillary rights that accrue to the customer against the end user or third parties from or in connection with the resale of goods subject to retention of title. This assignment is already now accepted by us at this stage. The customer may not reach an agreement with its purchasers that excludes or impairs our rights in any way or nullifies the assignment of the claim in advance. If the goods subject to retention of title are sold with other items, the claim against the third-party purchaser amounting to the delivery price agreed between ourselves and the customer shall be

deemed assigned unless the amounts applicable to the individual goods can be determined from the invoice.

10.5 The customer shall have the right to collect claims assigned to us until revoked by us, this revocation being admissible at any time. At our request, the customer shall be obliged to give us the information and documents in full required to collect assigned claims and, unless we do so ourselves, notify its purchasers immediately of the assignment to us.

10.6 If the customer incorporates claims from the resale of goods subject to retention of title in a current account relationship with its purchasers, the customer shall herewith assign to us any recognised closing balance resulting in its favour in the amount which corresponds to the total amount of the claim from the resale of our goods subject to retention of title, such claim being transferred to the current account relationship.

10.7 The customer must notify us immediately if the customer has already assigned claims to third parties arising from the resale of products delivered or to be delivered by us, especially due to real or unreal factoring, or made other agreements which can impair our current or future security interests according to para. 10. In the case of unreal factoring, we shall have the right to rescind the contract and request the products already delivered to be surrendered. This shall also apply to real factoring if, according to the contract with the factor, the customer cannot freely dispose of the purchase price of the claim.

10.8 In the event of conduct by the customer in breach of the contract through the customer's fault, especially in the case of default in payment, we shall have the right, without rescinding the contract, to take back all goods subject to retention of title. The customer shall be obliged in this case to surrender the goods automatically. We may at any time during normal business hours enter the customer's business premises to determine the stock of the goods delivered by us. Taking back the goods subject to retention of title shall only involve rescinding the contract if we expressly state this in writing or this is prescribed by mandatory statutory provisions. The customer must notify us immediately in writing of any third-party attachment of goods subject to retention of title or any claim assigned to us.

10.9 If the value of the securities existing for us according to the foregoing provisions exceeds the secured claims as a whole by more than 10 %, we shall be obliged, at the customer's request, to release securities at our option.

10.10 We treat and process the goods subject to retention of title as manufacturers but without obligation on our part. If the goods subject to retention of title are processed or connected inseparably with other items that do not belong to us, we shall acquire co-ownership in the new item in the ratio of the net invoice amount for our goods to the net invoice amounts for the other processed or connected items. If our goods are connected with other movable items into a uniform item that is deemed the principal item, the customer shall herewith already assign co-ownership thereof to us in the same ratio. The customer shall maintain ownership or co-ownership free of charge on our behalf. Rights of co-ownership accordingly arising shall be deemed goods subject to retention of title. The customer shall be obliged at any time at our request to provide us with the information required to assert our ownership or co-ownership incipits.

10.11 If, in the case of deliveries abroad, specific measures and/or declarations are required from the customer in the importing country to ensure the effectiveness of our above-mentioned retention of title or our other rights indicated above, the customer shall notify us of this in writing or text form and shall take such measures and/or make such declarations immediately at its expense. We shall cooperate on this to the required extent. If the law of the importing country does not allow retention of title but allows us to reserve other rights to the delivery item, we can exercise all such rights at our reasonably exercised discretion (Section 315 BGB). Section 315 (3) BGB (right to judicial review and determination) shall not be affected. If we cannot secure the claims against the customer in an equivalent amount, the customer shall be obliged at its expense to provide us immediately with other securities customary in the trade for the goods supplied, e.g. in the form of an irrevocable documentary credit issued by a major international bank, or other securities according to our reasonably exercised discretion (Section 315 BGB).

10.12 In the event of attachment or other intervention by third parties, the customer shall notify us immediately in writing to enable us to bring an action pursuant to Section 771 ZPO [German Code of Civil Procedure]. If the third party is not in a position to reimburse us for the judicial and extra-judicial costs of an action

pursuant to Section 771 ZPO, the customer shall be liable for the loss incurred by us.

#### 11. Exclusion/Limitation of liability

11.1 Subject to the exceptions specified in paragraph 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 11.5 and 11.6 we shall *not* be liable, in particular not for claims by the customer for damages or reimbursement of expenses, for whatever legal reason, in the case of breach of duty arising from the obligation.

11.2 The above exclusion of liability according to para. 11.1 shall not apply if statutory liability is mandatory, and:

- in the case of own fraudulent intent, intentional or grossly negligent breach of duty or fraudulent intent, intentional or grossly negligent breach of duty by legal representatives or vicarious agents;
- in the case of violation of material contractual obligations; "material contractual obligations" within the meaning of these General T&Cs are obligations, the fulfilment of which defines the contract and on which the customer may rely;
- in the event of injury to life, limb and health, also caused by legal representatives or vicarious agents;
- in the case of default if delivery and/or service by a fixed date was agreed;
- where we have assumed a guarantee for the quality of our goods or the existence of an outcome of performance, or a procurement risk within the meaning of Section 276 BGB:
- in the case of liability under the Produkthaftungsgesetz or other mandatory statutory liability.

11.3 If we or our vicarious agents are responsible only for slight negligence and none of the cases specified in paragraph. 11.2 bullet points 4, 5 and 6 above exist, we shall be liable in the case of violation of material contractual obligations too only for damage typical for the contract and for foreseeable damage.

11.4 Our liability is limited in amount for each individual case of damage in total to a maximum liability coverage of EUR 1,000,000.00 (one million). This shall not apply if we are responsible for fraudulent intent, intent or gross negligence, in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation and for claims due to injury to life, limb or health, and in the case of a claim arising from tort or an expressly assumed guarantee or the assumption of a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB or in cases of different higher liability coverage prescribed by law. Any further liability shall be excluded.

11.5 Exclusion respectively limitation of liability according to para. 11.1 to 11.4 above and para. 11.6 shall apply to the same extent for the benefit of our bodies, our executive and non-executive employees and other vicarious agents as well as our sub-contractors.

11.6 Claims by the customer for damages arising from the contractual relationship with ourselves may only be asserted within a preclusion period of one year as of commencement of the staturory limitation period. This shall not apply if we are responsible for intent or gross negligence, in the case of violation of a material contractual obligation and for claims due to injury to life, limb or health, and in the case of a claim arising from tort or an expressly assumed guarantee or the assumption of a procurement risk pursuant to Section 276 BGB, or where a longer limitation period is mandatory by law.

11.7 There is no connection between the reversal of the burden of proof and the foregoing stipulations.

## 12. Place of performance / Place of jurisdiction / Applicable law

12.1 Place of performance for all contractual obligations is our company's registered office except where an obligation to be performed at the customer's place of business is assumed or as otherwise agreed.

12.2 Any disputes shall be settled, if the customer is a trader within the meaning of the Handelsgesetzbuch [German Commercial Code], exclusively before a competent court of law at the location of our company's registered office. For the avoidance of doubt, this mechanism for the choice of jurisdiction in sentences 1 and 2 shall also apply to such circumstances between ourselves and the customer which can give rise to non-contractual obligations within the meaning of Regulation (EC) No 864 / 2007. We shall also have the right, however, to bring an action against the customer at its place of general jurisdiction.

12.3 The law of the Federal Republic of Germany shall apply exclusively to all legal relations between the customer and ourselves, in particular to the exclusion of the UN Sales Convention (CSIG). It is expressly stated that this choice of law is also deemed to be such choice within the meaning of Art. 14 (1) (b) Regulation (EC) No 864 / 2007 and shall, therefore, also apply to non-contractual obligations within the meaning of this Regulation. If the application of foreign law is mandatory in individual cases, our General Terms and Conditions shall be interpreted as meaning that the economic intent they pursue is preserved to the maximum possible extent.

#### 13. Property rights, licence

13.1 Unless otherwise agreed, we shall only be obliged to deliver the sold products in the Federal Republic of Germany exempt from third-party industrial property rights and copyrights.

If a third party raises justified claims on account of infringement of property rights by products supplied by us to the customer, we shall be liable to the customer subject to paragraph 11 and within the time limit specified in 8.7 as follows:

- We shall first at our option either try to obtain a right of use at our expense for the deliveries in question or change the delivery item while complying with the properties agreed under the contract so that the property right is not infringed, or exchange the delivery item. If we cannot do so on reasonable conditions, the customer shall be entitled to its legal rights which are defined, however, on the basis of these General Terms and Conditions of Contracts and Delivery.
- The customer shall, in the event of infringement of property rights by our delivery items, only be entitled to rights against ourselves if the customer gives us written notification immediately about the claims asserted by third parties, does not acknowledge any infringement, and all defensive measures and settlement negotiations are reserved for us.
- If the customer stops using the products for reasons of damage minimisation or other good cause, the customer shall be obliged to advise the third party that cessation of use is not deemed to be an acknowledgement of a property right infringement.
- If an appeal is filed by third parties against the customer for infringement of property rights resulting from the use of products supplied by us, the customer undertakes to notify us of this immediately and to give us the opportunity to participate in any legal action. The customer shall support us immediately in every way in conducting such a legal action with the necessary information from the customer's sphere and the required coordination. The customer must not take any action which could prejudice our legal position.
- 13.2 The customer shall have no claims if it is responsible for infringement of a property right. The customer shall also have no claims if the infringement of the property right is due to the customer's special instructions, an application which we could not foresee or the fact that the products are changed by the customer or used with products not supplied by us, which do not comply with the intended use, if the infringement of the property right is based
- 13.3 If the customer duly fulfils its contractual obligations, it shall have the right to use the services as provided in the contract.

All copyrights, patent rights or other industrial property rights shall remain with us unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing. Section 305b BGB (precedence of an individual agreement) shall not be affected in the case of individual agreements in verbal, written or text form.

If patentable inventions are made at our company within the scope of implementing the contract, we shall grant the customer a nonexclusive and non-transferable right to use them under preferential economic conditions. This shall not affect the customer's entitlement to receive all rights arising from the invention in the event of the achievement of the invention being a main contractual obligation on our part.

### 14. Export control / Product approval / Import regulations

14.1 In the absence of any contractual agreements to the contrary with the customer, the delivered goods are intended for placement on the market for the first time within the Federal Republic of Germany or, in the case of delivery outside the Federal Republic of Germany, to the agreed country of first delivery (first country of delivery)

14.2 The export of certain goods by the customer from there may be subject to authorisation e.g. because of their nature or intended purpose or final destination. The customer itself shall be obliged to check this and to comply strictly with the relevant export regulations and embargos for these goods, especially of the European Union (EU), Germany respectively other EU Member States and, if applicable, the USA or Asian or Arab countries and all other third countries involved if the customer exports the products supplied by us or has them exported.

Furthermore, the customer shall be obliged to ensure that the required national product approvals or product registrations are obtained before transferring the products to a country which differs from the first country of delivery agreed with us and that the specifications set out in the national law of the country in question regarding the provision of user information in the national language are complied with as well as all import regulations.

- 14.3 The customer shall in particular check and ensure, and, on request, provide evidence to us that
- the products provided are not intended for use in armaments, nuclear facilities or weapon technology;
- no companies and persons specified on the US Denied Persons List (DPL) are supplied with original US goods, US software and US technology;
- no companies and persons specified on the US Warning List, US Entity List or US Specially Designated Nationals List are supplied with original US products without relevant authorisation;
- no companies and persons are supplied who are specified on the List of Specially Designated Terrorists, Foreign Terrorist Organizations, Specially Designated Global Terrorists or the EU Terrorist List or other relevant negative lists for export controls;
- no military recipients are supplied with the products delivered by us;
- no recipients are supplied that violate other export control regulations, especially of the EU or the ASEAN countries;
- all early-warning indications of the competent German or national authorities of the respective country of origin of the delivery are complied with.
- 14.4 Goods supplied by us may only be accessed and used if the above-mentioned checks and assurances have been carried out respectively provided by the customer; otherwise the customer must refrain from carrying out the intended export and we shall not be obliged to perform.
- 14.5 Where goods supplied by us are passed on to third parties, the customer undertakes to oblige such third parties in the same way as specified in para. 14.1 - 14.4, and to notify them of the need to comply with these legal provisions.
- 14.6 The customer shall at its own expense ensure, where delivery outside the Federal Republic of Germany is agreed, that the goods to be supplied by us comply with all national import regulations of the first country of delivery.
- 14.7 The customer shall indemnify us against all damages and expenses resulting from the negligent breach of the foregoing obligations according to para. 14.1 - 14.6.

15. Incoterms / Written form / Severability clause
15.1 If trade terms are agreed according to the International Commercial Terms (INCOTERMS), the INCOTERMS 2020 shall apply.

- 15.2 All agreements, collateral agreements, assurances and contract amendments shall only be valid when given in writing. This shall also apply to cancellation of the written form requirement. This shall not affect the precedence of an individual agreement in written, text or verbal form (Section 305b BGB).
- 15.3 If any provision of the contract concluded with us is or shall become invalid/void or unenforceable in whole or in part for reasons relating to the Law of General Terms and Conditions according to Sections 305 to 310 BGB, statutory provisions shall apply.

If any current or future provision of the contract is or shall become invalid/void or unenforceable in whole or in part for reasons other than the provisions relating to the Law of General Terms and Conditions according to Sections 305 to 310 BGB, this shall not affect

the validity of the remaining provisions of this contract unless the performance of the contract, also in consideration of the following provisions, would present an unreasonable hardship for one of the parties. This shall also apply if, after the contract is concluded, it is found to have a gap that requires filling.

Contrary to any principle, according to which a severability clause in principle is to reverse the burden of proof only, the validity of the remaining provisions of the contract shall be maintained in all circumstances and therefore Section 139 BGB waived as a whole.

The parties shall replace any invalid/void/unenforceable provision or gap that requires filling for reasons other than the provisions relating to the Law of General Terms and Conditions according to Sections 305 to 310 BGB by a valid provision that corresponds in its legal and economic content to the invalid/void/unenforceable provision and the purpose of the contract as a whole. Section 139 BGB (partial nullity) is expressly excluded. If the invalidity of any provision is due to a measure of performance or time (time limit or date) stated therein, a measure which most closely corresponds to the original measure in a legally admissible way must be agreed for this provision.

Note: In accordance with the provisions of the Bundesdatenschutzgesetz [German Federal Data Protection Act] (BDSG) and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we draw attention to the fact that contracts are processed in our company on EDP equipment, and that we also in this respect store data received as a result of the business relationship with the customer.

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