

Terms and Conditions of Purchase (January 2024)

(Terms & Conditions under which Johnsons Nurseries Ltd. will buy from a seller)

Definitions

1.1. In these Contract Terms:

'Buyer' means Johnsons Nurseries Limited, Head Office, Gilsthwaite Lane, Kirk Hammerton, York, YO26 8AQ (Company Registration 616324; EORI GB 168 967 593 000; VAT GB 168 967 593);

'Contract Terms' means these terms and conditions of purchase;

'Contract' means each contract for the purchase of the Goods and the supply and acquisition of the Services on these

Contract Terms;

'Costs' means all liabilities, losses (whether direct or indirect and including loss of profits), damages (including special and consequential damages), costs and expenses (including legal expenses) awarded against or incurred or paid by the Buyer;

'Goods' means the goods (including any instalment, component, part of or raw materials used in such goods) described in the Order;

'Order' means the Buyer's purchase order of which these Contract Terms form part;

'Price' means the price of the Goods and/or the Services;

'Seller' means the person, firm or company so described in the Order;

'Services' means the services (if any) described in the Order;

'Specification' includes any plans, drawings, data, description, samples, standards, catalogue or other information relating to the Goods and/or Services; and

'Writing' includes facsimile or email transmission and 'Written' shall be construed accordingly.

1.2. Any reference to a statutory provision, regulation or protocol includes a reference to any modification or re-enactment or replacement of the provision, regulation or protocol in force and all subordinate instruments, orders or regulations made under them.

Basis of purchase

- 2.1. The Order constitutes an offer by the Buyer to purchase the Goods and/or acquire the Services subject to these Contract Terms
- 2.2. Any of the following are deemed to constitute the Seller's agreement to comply with these Contract Terms:
 - 2.2.1. any acceptance of an Order by the Seller (notwithstanding any conditions attached to such offer or acceptance or any purported incorporation of terms other than these **Contract Terms**);
 - 2.2.2. the delivery or making ready for collection of any Goods; or
 - 2.2.3. the performance of any Services by or on behalf of the Seller.
- 2.3. These Contract Terms shall apply to each Contract to the exclusion of any other terms and conditions on which any quotation has been given to the Buyer or subject to which the Order is accepted or purported to be accepted by the Seller.
- 2.4. No variation to these Contract Terms shall be binding unless agreed in writing by a member of the Buyer's Board of Directors.

Specifications and inspections

- 3.1. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure the quantity, quality and description of the Goods and the Services shall be as specified in the Order and/or in any applicable Specification supplied by the Buyer to the Seller or agreed in Writing by the Buyer.
- 3.2. The Seller shall allow the Buyer during normal working hours to inspect and test the Goods during production, processing or storage at the premises of the Seller or any third party prior to despatch and to test the Services during performance. Any inspection or testing by the Buyer shall not relieve the Seller of its obligations under the Contract. 3.3. If as a result of inspection or testing the **Buyer** is not satisfied
- that the Goods and/or Services will comply in all respects with the Contract and the Buyer informs the Seller within seven days of inspection or testing, the Seller shall take the necessary steps to ensure compliance.
- 3.4. The Goods shall be marked in accordance with the Buyer's instructions and any applicable regulations or requirements of the carrier, and properly packed and secured so as to reach their destination in an undamaged condition.

Price

- 4.1. The Price of the Goods and the Services shall be as stated in the Order and, unless otherwise agreed by the Buyer, shall be:
 - **4.1.1.** exclusive of any applicable VAT (which shall be payable by the **Buyer** subject to receipt of a VAT invoice);
 - 4.1.2. (for collected Goods) inclusive of all charges for packaging, packing, insurance of the Goods and any duties, imposts or levies other than VAT; and
 - 4.1.3. (for deliveries) inclusive of all charges for packaging, packing, shipping, carriage, insurance and delivery of the Goods to the Buyer's specified delivery address and any duties, imposts or levies other than VAT.
 - 4.1.4. agreed under INCOTERMS 2020 as specified on the Order.





- 4.2. No increase in the Price may be made (whether on account of increased material, labour or transport costs, fluctuation in rates of exchange or otherwise) without the prior written consent of the Buyer.
- 4.3. The Buyer shall be entitled to any discount for prompt payment, bulk purchase, volume or purchase customarily granted by the Seller. In the absence of any other written agreement the Buyer shall be entitled to take a discount of 3% for payment within 21 days of receipt of invoice.
- **4.4.** The **Buyer** shall be entitled to recover or deduct from the **Price**:
 - 4.4.1. any amount which is disputed by the Buyer, pending resolution of such dispute;
 - 4.4.2. any Costs incurred as a result of the non-supply or rejection of Goods or Services; and
 - 4.4.3. any sums owing by the Seller to the Buyer or by any other company within the Seller's group.

Invoicing and Payment

- **5.1.** Time of payment shall not be of the essence of the **Contract**.
- **5.2.** The **Seller** may only invoice for items that are included in the **Order**.
- **5.3.** Invoices may be sent on or after receipt of the **Goods** or **Services**.
- **5.4.** In order to be processed, each invoice must quote the **Order** number.
- 5.5. No sum may be invoiced more than 90 days after the collection or delivery of the Goods or the performance of the
- 5.6. In the absence of any other Written agreement, the Buyer shall pay the Price of the Goods and/or the Services within 90 days after the end of the month following receipt by the Buyer of a proper invoice or, if later, after acceptance of the Goods or Services in question by the Buyer.

Information

6.1. The Seller shall provide to the Buyer on request any information about the Goods, and any components, parts or raw materials used in producing the Goods that the Buyer considers necessary including information relating to any possible risks to health and safety presented by the Goods.

Delivery or collection

- 7.1. Time of delivery or collection of the Goods and of performance of the Services is of the essence of the Contract.
- 7.2. The Goods shall be delivered to or collected from, and the Services shall be performed at, the address specified by the Buyer on the date or within the period stated in the Order. The Buyer reserves the right to amend any delivery or collection instructions.
- 7.3. Delivery will be between 0730 1600 Monday to Thursday and 0730 1230 Friday unless otherwise agreed with the Buyer in Writing prior to delivery.
- 7.4. No additional charges will be paid by the Buyer to the Seller in the event of a delay, regardless of the cause, in unloading the delivery of an Order or performance of a Service at the address specified by the Buyer.
- 7.5. Delivery shall be deemed to be made on receipt of the Goods and/or the Services by the Buyer in accordance with all terms of the Contract.
- 7.6. Where the date of delivery of the Goods or of performance of the Services is to be specified after the placing of the Order, the Seller shall give the Buver reasonable notice of the specified date.
- 7.7. Each consignment of Goods must be accompanied by a prominently displayed delivery note stating the number of the Order, full description and quantity of Goods supplied, plant passport numbers, Intrastat numbers and values, all relevant packaging information (including number of pallets, CC trolleys (which must be correctly labelled in accordance with CC's current protocol) shelves and extensions), delivery address and Seller's invoice number.
- 7.8. A copy of the delivery note must be e-mailed to the Purchasing and Incoming Goods department of the Buyer not less than 12 hours prior to delivery or collection.
- 7.9. The Buyer shall not accept delivery or performance by instalments unless previously agreed in writing. If Goods are to be delivered or Services are to be performed by instalments, the Contract will be treated as a single contract and not
- 7.10. Delivery of the Goods will be made under INCOTERMS 2020 as specified on the Order.

Acceptance

- 8.1. The Seller shall supply the Buyer in good time with any instructions or other information required enabling the Buyer to accept delivery of the Goods and performance of the Services.
- 8.2. The Buyer shall be entitled to reject all or any part of the Goods delivered or Services performed which are not in accordance with the Contract, including a right to reject defective Goods even if the defect is minor.
- 8.3. The signing of any delivery note or other document acknowledging physical receipt of any Goods shall not be deemed to constitute or evidence acceptance of the Goods.
- 8.4. The Buyer shall not be deemed to have accepted any Goods and/or Services until the Buyer has had a reasonable time to inspect or test them following delivery or, if later, within a reasonable time after, any latent defect has become
- 8.5. The Buyer shall not be deemed to have accepted the Goods merely by virtue of the Goods having been sold to a third party upon or after delivery or the Goods having been incorporated or converted them into other products or works.
- 8.6. The Buyer shall not be deemed to have accepted the Goods or Services by virtue of having required the Seller to repair or replace Goods or Services under these Contract Terms.
- 8.7. The Seller shall remove any packaging material or any Goods rejected by the Buyer within seven working days of notification of the rejection, after which the Buyer reserves the right to remove or destroy the Goods, any Costs incurred may be debited to the Seller.





- 8.8. Goods showing inherent pest or disease symptoms within 30 days of delivery, unless the symptoms are those of a notifiable pest or disease as defined by UK Legislation or where statutory action is required by APHA, in which case it will be 120 days, will be rejected and disposed of and all Costs reclaimed.
- 8.9. Goods showing signs of weed infestation within 90 days of delivery will be rejected and disposed of and all Costs reclaimed.

Risk and Title

- 9.1. Risk of damage to or loss of the Goods supplied shall pass from the Seller upon acceptance by the Buyer in accordance with the Contract.
- 9.2. Risk shall not pass to the Buyer by virtue of the Goods having been sold to a third party.
- 9.3. Title of the Goods shall pass to the Buyer upon collection by the Buyer or contracted haulier or delivery to the address specified, unless payment for the Goods is made prior to collection or delivery, when it shall pass to the Buyer once payment has been made.

10. Compliance

- 10.1. The Seller shall comply with all applicable regulations (including the General Product Safety Regulations 1994) and other legal requirements concerning plant health, the manufacture, packaging, labelling, packing and delivery of the Goods and performance of the Services and concerning hazardous substances.
- **10.2.** Any **Goods** that are hazardous shall be appropriately marked, packed and carried.

11. Warranties

- 11.1. The Seller warrants to the Buyer that it is fully experienced, qualified, equipped, organised and financed to perform its obligations under the Contract.
- 11.2. The Seller warrants to the Buyer that the Goods:
 - 11.2.1. will be of satisfactory quality and fit for all purposes for which the Goods are commonly supplied;
 - 11.2.2. will be free from defects in design, material and workmanship;
 - 11.2.3. Will be free from pest or disease, notifiable or otherwise, and any symptoms thereof;
 - 11.2.4. will correspond with any relevant Specification;
 - 11.2.5. will comply with all statutory requirements, regulations and UK regulations relating to the manufacture and sale of the Goods or the supply of the Services including product safety, packaging, labelling (including the appropriate British Standard or equivalent specification unless otherwise agreed), the Consumer Protection Act 1987, the General Product Safety Regulations 1994, under any regulations relating to hazardous substances or under the Environmental Protection Act 1990;
 - 11.2.6. will, where plants and plant products, conform to the current requirements of UK plant health legislation; and
 - 11.2.7. will comply with all applicable health and safety requirements.
- 11.3. The Seller warrants to the Buver that the Services:
 - 11.3.1. will be performed by appropriately qualified and trained personnel, with due care and diligence and to such standards of quality as it is reasonable for the **Buver** to expect in all the circumstances; and
 - 11.3.2. will comply with all statutory requirements, regulations and UK regulations relating to the performance of the Services.

12. Rights and Remedies on Default

- 12.1. If Goods are not delivered in whole or in part or Services are not performed on the due date then the Buyer shall be entitled to cancel the Order (or any part) without liability to the Seller and purchase substitute items or services elsewhere and recover from the Seller any loss or additional Costs incurred.
- 12.2. If any Goods or Services are not supplied or performed in accordance with the Contract, then the Buyer shall be entitled at any time within 24 months from the date of first use and/or completed performance of the Goods and
 - 12.2.1. to require the Seller to repair the Goods or replace the Goods or Services in accordance with the Contract within seven days (and the provisions of this Contract Term shall apply to any such repaired or replaced Goods or

Services); or

12.2.2. whether or not the Buyer has previously required the Seller to repair the Goods or to supply any replacement Goods or Services, to cancel the Contract and require the repayment of any part of the Price which has been paid.

13. Indemnity

- 13.1. The Seller shall indemnify the Buyer in full against all Costs as a result of or in connection with:
 - 13.1.1. breach of any warranty or other Contract Term;
 - 13.1.2. any claim that the Goods infringe, or their importation, use or resale, infringes the patent, copyright, registered or unregistered design right, trade mark or other intellectual property rights of any other person;
 - 13.1.3. any claim made against the Buyer in respect of any breach or alleged breach by the Buyer of any statutory provision, regulation or bye-laws or other rule of law arising from the acts or omissions of the Seller or its employees, agents or subcontractors;







13.1.4. any act or omission of the Seller or its employees, agents or sub-contractors in supplying, delivering and installing the Goods and in performing the Services, including any injury, loss or damage to persons caused or contributed to by any of their negligence or by faulty design, workmanship or materials.

14. Termination

- 14.1. The Buyer shall be entitled to cancel the Order in respect of all or part only of the Goods and/or the Services by giving notice to the Seller at any time prior to delivery or performance without incurring any liability to the Seller other than to pay for Goods and/or Services already delivered or performed at the time of such notice.
- 14.2. The Buyer shall be entitled to terminate the Contract without liability to the Seller and reserving all rights of the Buyer by giving notice to the Seller at any time if:
 - 14.2.1. (without prejudice to any other Contract Term) the Seller is in breach of any of its obligations under these **Contract Terms:**
 - 14.2.2. the Seller makes any voluntary arrangement with its creditors (within the meaning of the Insolvency Act 1986) or becomes subject to an administration order or goes into liquidation or bankruptcy or an encumbrancer takes possession, or a receiver is appointed, of any of the property or assets of the Seller or anything analogous occurs under the laws of another jurisdiction; or
 - 14.2.3. the Seller ceases, or threatens to cease, to carry on business, or substantially changes the nature of its business: or
 - 14.2.4. the Buyer reasonably believes that any of the events mentioned above is about to occur in relation to the Seller and notifies the Seller accordingly.

15. Representatives at our Premises

- 15.1. The Seller will ensure that all its employees, agents and sub-contractors comply with the Buyer's regulations when at the Buyer's premises and carry official identification at all times which shall be produced on request by any member of
- 15.2. The Buyer reserves the right to search all such persons who have been permitted access to the Buyer's premises and their property and/or vehicles at the time of their arrival and/or departure from the Buyer's premises.

16. Confidentiality

16.1. All information supplied to the Seller by the Buyer at any time in connection with the award of the Contract, the Contract and any Specification is and remains the Buyer's property and shall be regarded as confidential.

17. Equality, diversity and non-discrimination

- 17.1. The Buyer may terminate the Contract and recover from the Seller the amount of any loss resulting from such termination under this Contract (or any other Contract the Seller has) if:
 - 17.1.1. the Seller fails to ensure provision of equality of treatment for anyone who shares a protected characteristic as defined in the Equality Act 2010 (whether it be on the grounds of maternity, gender, transgender, marital status, ethnicity, disability, age, religion and belief, and sexual orientation or otherwise) in the provision of Goods and/or Services and in the employment of its staff and sub-contractors; or
 - 17.1.2. the Seller unlawfully discriminates either directly or indirectly and does not comply with the obligations of the Equality Act 2010 and/or any other relevant or equivalent legislation, or any statutory modification or re-enactment of that legislation.

18. Modern Slavery and human trafficking

- 18.1. In performing its obligations under this Contract, the Seller shall:
 - 18.1.1. comply with all slavery and human trafficking laws, applicable anti-statutes, regulations and code from time to time in force including but not limited to the Modern Slavery Act 2015;
 - 18.1.2. not engage in any activity, practice or conduct that would constitute an offence under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 if such activity or practice were carried out in the UK;
 - 18.1.3. ensure subcontractors and suppliers comply with the provisions set out in clause 18.1;
 - 18.1.4. notify the Buyer as soon as it becomes aware of any actual or suspected slavery or human trafficking in a supply chain which has a connection with this Contract;
- 18.2. The Seller represents and warrants that at the date of this Contract that neither the Seller nor any employee, representative or subcontractor has been convicted of any offence involving slavery and human trafficking. Nor has it been the subject of any investigation, inquiry or enforcement proceedings regarding any offence or alleged offence of or in conjunction with slavery and human trafficking.

19. General

- 19.1. The Seller shall at all times maintain adequate insurance cover with a reputable insurer against its liability under the Contract and shall produce the policy and latest premium receipt to the Buyer on demand.
- 19.2. The Order is personal to the Seller and the Seller shall not transfer, assign, charge, dispose of or deal with in any manner or purport to do the same any of its rights or beneficial interests.
- 19.3. The Seller shall not sub-contract any of its obligations under the Contract.
- 19.4. Any notice to be given by either party to the other under these Contract Terms must be in Writing addressed to that other party at its registered office or principal place of business or such other address as may have been notified for these purposes.
- **19.5.** Any waiver by the **Buyer** of any breach is not a waiver of any subsequent breach.
- 19.6. Failure or delay by the Buyer in enforcing or partially enforcing any provision of the Contract is not a waiver of any of its rights under the Contract.





- **19.7.** If any provision of these **Contract Terms** is held by any competent authority to be invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part the validity of the other provisions of these **Contract Terms** and the remainder of the provision in question shall not be affected.
- 19.8. The laws of England shall govern the Contract, and the parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.
- **19.9.** The **Contract** does not create, confer or purport to confer any benefit or right enforceable by any person not a party to it by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

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