

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS Notes Community

Definitions

1. Notes Community: Notes, established in Rotterdam, Chamber of Commerce no. 75251353.
2. Customer: the party which Notes Community has entered into an agreement with.
3. Parties: Notes Community and customer together.
4. Consumer: a customer who is an individual acting for private purposes.

Applicability

1. These terms and conditions will apply to all quotations, offers, activities, orders, agreements and deliveries of services or products by or on behalf of Notes Community.
2. Parties can only deviate from these conditions if they have explicitly agreed upon in writing.
3. The parties expressly exclude the applicability of supplementary and/or deviating general terms and conditions of the customer or of third parties.

Prices

1. All prices used by Notes Community are in euros, are inclusive of VAT and exclusive of any other costs such as administration costs, levies and travel-, shipping- or transport expenses, unless expressly stated otherwise or agreed otherwise.
2. Notes Community is entitled to adjust all prices for its products or services, shown in its shop, on its website or otherwise, at any time.
3. Increases in the cost prices of products or parts thereof, which Notes Community could not foresee at the time of making an offer or the conclusion of the agreement, may give rise to price increases.
4. The consumer has the right to terminate an agreement as a result of a price increase as referred to in paragraph 3, unless the increase is the result of statutory regulation.
5. The price with regard to services is determined by Notes Community on the basis of the actual working hours.
6. The price is calculated according to the usual hourly rates of Notes Community, valid for the period in which he carries out the work, unless a different hourly rate has been agreed.
7. If the parties have agreed on a total amount for a service provided by Notes Community, this is always a target price, unless the parties have explicitly agreed upon in writing on a fixed price, which cannot be deviated from.
8. Notes Community is entitled to deviate up to 10% of the target price.
9. If the target price exceeds 10%, Notes Community must let the customer know in due time why a higher price is justified.
10. If the target price exceeds 10%, the customer has the right to cancel the part of the order that exceeds the target price by 10%.
11. Notes Community has the right to adjust prices annually.
12. Notes Community will communicate price adjustments to the customer prior to the moment the price increase becomes effective.
13. The consumer has the right to terminate the contract with Notes Community if he does not agree with the price increase.

Payments and payment term

1. Notes Community may, at the conclusion of the agreement, require a down payment of up to 50% of the agreed amount.
2. The customer must have paid the full amount within 7 days after delivery of the product.
3. Payment terms are considered as fatal payment terms. This means that if the customer has not paid the agreed amount at the latest on the last day of the payment term, he is legally in default, without Notes Community having to send the customer a reminder or to put him in default.
4. Notes Community reserves the right to make a delivery conditional upon immediate payment or to require adequate security for the total amount of the services or products.

Consequences of late payment

1. If the customer does not pay within the agreed term, Notes Community is entitled to charge an interest of 2% per month for non-commercial transactions from the day the customer is in default, whereby a part of a month is counted for a whole month.
2. When the customer is in default, he is also due to extrajudicial collection costs and may be obliged to pay any compensation to Notes Community.
3. The collection costs are calculated on the basis of the Reimbursement for extrajudicial collection costs.
4. If the customer does not pay on time, Notes Community may suspend its obligations until the customer has met his payment obligation.
5. In the event of liquidation, bankruptcy, attachment or suspension of payment on behalf of the customer, the claims of Notes Community on the customer are immediately due and payable.
6. If the customer refuses to cooperate with the performance of the agreement by Notes Community, he is still obliged to pay the agreed price to Notes Community.

Right of recovery of goods

1. As soon as the customer is in default, Notes Community is entitled to invoke the right of recovery with regard to the unpaid products delivered to the customer.
2. Notes Community invokes the right of recovery by means of a written or electronic announcement.
3. As soon as the customer has been informed of the claimed right of recovery, the customer must immediately return the products concerned to Notes Community, unless the parties agree to make other arrangements about this.
4. The costs for the collection or return of the products are at the expense of the customer.

Right of withdrawal

1. A consumer may cancel an online purchase during a cooling-off period of 14 days without giving any reason, provided that:
 - the product has not been used
 - it is not a product that can spoil quickly, like food or flowers
 - the product is not specially tailored for the consumer or adapted to its special needs
 - it is not a product that may not be returned for hygienic reasons (underwear, swimwear, etc.)
 - the seal is still intact, when the product is a data carrier with digital content (DVDs, CDs, etc.)
 - the product is not a (holiday)trip, a transportation ticket, a catering order or a form of leisure activity,
 - the product is not a separate magazine or a loose newspaper
 - the purchase does not concern an (assignment to) urgent repair
 - the consumer has not renounced his right of withdrawal
2. The cooling-off period of 14 days as referred to in paragraph 1 commences:
 - on the day after the consumer has received the last product or part of 1 order
 - as soon as the consumer has received the first the product of a subscription
 - as soon as the consumer has purchased a service for the first time
 - as soon as the consumer has confirmed the purchase of digital content via the internet
3. The consumer can notify his right of withdrawal via thenotest@gmail.com, if desired by using the withdrawal form that can be downloaded via the website of Notes Community, <https://www.notes.community>.
4. The consumer is obliged to return the product to Notes Community within 14 days after the notification of his right of withdrawal, after which period his right of withdrawal will lapse.

Reimbursement of delivery costs

1. If the purchase costs and any other costs (such as delivery costs) are eligible for reimbursement according to the law, Notes Community will refund these costs to the consumer within 14 days of receipt of the timely appeal to the right of withdrawal, provided that the consumer has returned the product to Notes Community in time.
2. The costs for return are only reimbursed by Notes Community if the complete order is returned.

Reimbursement of return costs

If the consumer invokes his right of withdrawal and returns the entire order on time, the costs for returning the complete order will be borne by the consumer.

Suspension of obligations by the customer

The customer waives the right to suspend the fulfillment of any obligation arising from this agreement.

Right of retention

1. Notes Community can appeal to his right of retention of title and in that case retain the products sold by Notes Community to the customer until the customer has paid all outstanding invoices with regard to Notes Community, unless the customer has provided sufficient security for these payments.
2. The right of retention of title also applies on the basis of previous agreements from which the customer still owes payments to Notes Community.
3. Notes Community is never liable for any damage that the customer may suffer as a result of using his right of retention of title.

Settlement

The customer waives his right to settle any debt to Notes Community with any claim on Notes Community.

Retention of title

1. Notes Community remains the owner of all delivered products until the customer has fully complied with all its payment obligations with regard to Notes Community under whatever agreement with Notes Community including of claims regarding the shortcomings in the performance.
2. Until then, Notes Community can invoke its retention of title and take back the goods.
3. Before the property is transferred to the customer, the customer may not pledge, sell, dispose of or otherwise encumber the products.
4. If Notes Community invokes its retention of title, the agreement will be dissolved and Notes Community has the right to claim compensation, lost profits and interest.

Delivery

1. Delivery takes place while stocks last.
2. Delivery takes place at Notes Community unless the parties have agreed upon otherwise.
3. Delivery of products ordered online takes place at the address indicated by the customer.
4. If the agreed price is not paid on time, Notes Community has the right to suspend its obligations until the agreed price is fully paid.
5. In the event of late payment, the customer is automatically in default, and hereby he cannot object to late delivery by Notes Community.

Delivery period

1. Any delivery period specified by Notes Community is indicative and does not give the customer the right to dissolution or compensation if this period is not met with, unless the parties have expressly agreed otherwise in writing.
2. The delivery starts once the customer has fully completed the (electronic) ordering process and received an (electronic) confirmation of his order from Notes Community.
3. Exceeding the specified delivery period does not entitle the customer to compensation or the right to terminate the contract, unless Notes Community cannot deliver within [number of days late] or if the parties have agreed upon otherwise.

Actual delivery

The customer must ensure that the actual delivery of the products ordered by him can take place in time.

Transport costs

Transport costs are on behalf of the customer, unless the parties have agreed upon otherwise.

Packaging and shipping

1. If the package of a delivered product is opened or damaged, the customer must have a note drawn up by the forwarder or delivery person before receiving the product. In the absence of which Notes Community may not be held liable for any damage.
2. If the customer himself takes care of the transport of a product, he must report any visible damage to products or the packaging prior to the transport to Notes Community, failing which Notes Community cannot be held liable for any damage.

Insurance

1. The customer undertakes to insure and keep insured the following items adequately against fire, explosion and water damage as well as theft:
 - goods delivered that are necessary for the execution of the underlying agreement
 - goods being property of Notes Community that are present at the premises of the customer
 - goods that have been delivered under retention of title
2. At the first request of Notes Community, the customer provides the policy for these insurances for inspection.

Storage

1. If the customer orders products later than the agreed delivery date, the risk of any quality loss is entirely for the customer.
2. Any extra costs as a result of premature or late purchase of products are entirely at the customer's expense.

Guarantee

1. When parties have entered into an agreement with services included, these services only contain best-effort obligations for Notes Community, not obligations of results.
2. The warranty relating to products only applies to defects caused by faulty manufacture, construction or material.
3. The warranty does not apply in the event of normal wear and tear and damage resulting from accidents, changes made to the product, negligence or improper use by the customer, or when the cause of the defect cannot clearly be established.
4. The risk of loss, damage or theft of the products that are the subject of an agreement between the parties, will pass on to the customer when these products are legally and/or factually delivered, at least are in the power of the customer or of a third party who receives the product for the benefit of the customer.

Exchange

1. Exchange is only possible if the following conditions are met:
 - exchange takes place within 30 days after purchase upon presentation of the original invoice
 - the product is returned in the original packaging or with the original (price) tags still attached to it
 - the product has not been used
2. Discounted items, non-shelf articles such as food, custom made items or specially adapted articles for the customer cannot be exchanged.

Performance of the agreement

1. Notes Community executes the agreement to the best of its knowledge and ability and in accordance with the requirements of good workmanship.
2. Notes Community has the right to have the agreed services (partially) performed by third parties.
3. The execution of the agreement takes place in mutual consultation and after written agreement and payment of the possibly agreed advance by the customer.
4. It is the responsibility of the customer that Notes Community can start the implementation of the agreement on time.
5. If the customer has not ensured that Notes Community can start the implementation of the agreement in time, the resulting additional costs and/or extra hours will be charged to the customer.

Duty to inform by the customer

1. The customer shall make available to Notes Community all information, data and documents relevant to the correct execution of the agreement to in time and in the desired format and manner.
2. The customer guarantees the correctness, completeness and reliability of the information, data and documents made available, even if they originate from third parties, unless otherwise ensuing from the nature of the agreement.
3. If and insofar as the customer requests this, Notes Community will return the relevant documents.
4. If the customer does not timely and properly provides the information, data or documents reasonably required by Notes Community and the execution of the agreement is delayed because of this, the resulting additional costs and extra hours will be charged to the customer.

Indemnity

The customer indemnifies Notes Community against all third-party claims that are related to the products and/or services supplied by Notes Community.

Complaints

1. The customer must examine a product or service provided by Notes Community as soon as possible for possible shortcomings.
2. If a delivered product or service does not comply with what the customer could reasonably expect from the agreement, the customer must inform Notes Community of this as soon as possible, but in any case within 1 month after the discovery of the shortcomings.
3. Consumers must inform Notes Community of this within two months after detection of the shortcomings.
4. The customer gives a detailed description as possible of the shortcomings, so that Notes Community is able to respond adequately.
5. The customer must demonstrate that the complaint relates to an agreement between the parties.
6. If a complaint relates to ongoing work, this can in any case not lead to Notes Community being forced to perform other work than has been agreed.

Giving notice

1. The customer must provide any notice of default to Notes Community in writing.
2. It is the responsibility of the customer that a notice of default actually reaches Notes Community (in time).

Joint and several Client liabilities

If Notes Community enters into an agreement with several customers, each of them shall be jointly and severally liable for the full amounts due to Notes Community under that agreement.

Liability of Notes Community

1. Notes Community is only liable for any damage the customer suffers if and insofar as this damage is caused by intent or gross negligence.
2. If Notes Community is liable for any damage, it is only liable for direct damages that results from or is related to the execution of an agreement.
3. Notes Community is never liable for indirect damages, such as consequential loss, lost profit, lost savings or damage to third parties.
4. If Notes Community is liable, its liability is limited to the amount paid by a closed (professional) liability insurance and in the absence of (full) payment by an insurance company of the damages the amount of the liability is limited to the (part of the) invoice to which the liability relates.
5. All images, photos, colors, drawings, descriptions on the website or in a catalog are only indicative and are only approximate and cannot lead to any compensation and/or (partial) dissolution of the agreement and/or suspension of any obligation.

Expiry period

Every right of the customer to compensation from Notes Community shall, in any case, expire within 12 months after the event from which the liability arises directly or indirectly. This does not exclude the provisions in article 6:89 of the Dutch Civil Code.

Dissolution

1. The customer has the right to dissolve the agreement if Notes Community imputably fails in the fulfillment of his obligations, unless this shortcoming does not justify termination due to its special nature or because it is of minor significance.
2. If the fulfillment of the obligations by Notes Community is not permanent or temporarily impossible, dissolution can only take place after Notes Community is in default.
3. Notes Community has the right to dissolve the agreement with the customer, if the customer does not fully or timely fulfill his obligations under the agreement, or if circumstances give Notes Community good grounds to fear that the customer will not be able to fulfill his obligations properly.

Force majeure

1. In addition to the provisions of article 6:75 Dutch Civil Code, a shortcoming of Notes Community in the fulfillment of any obligation to the customer cannot be attributed to Notes Community in any situation independent of the will of Notes Community, when the fulfillment of its obligations towards the customer is prevented in whole or in part or when the fulfillment of its obligations cannot reasonably be required from Notes Community .
2. The force majeure situation referred to in paragraph 1 is also applicable - but not limited to: state of emergency (such as civil war, insurrection, riots, natural disasters, etc.); defaults and force majeure of suppliers, deliverymen or other third parties; unexpected disturbances of power, electricity, internet, computer or telecoms; computer viruses, strikes, government measures, unforeseen transport problems, bad weather conditions and work stoppages.
3. If a situation of force majeure arises as a result of which Notes Community cannot fulfill one or more obligations towards the customer, these obligations will be suspended until Notes Community can comply with it.
4. From the moment that a force majeure situation has lasted at least 30 calendar days, both parties may dissolve the agreement in writing in whole or in part.
5. Notes Community does not owe any (damage) compensation in a situation of force majeure, even if it has obtained any advantages as a result of the force majeure situation.

Modification of the agreement

If, after the conclusion of the agreement and before its implementation, it appears necessary to change or supplement its contents, the parties shall timely and in mutual consultation adjust the agreement accordingly.

Changes in the general terms and conditions

1. Notes Community is entitled to amend or supplement these general terms and conditions.
2. Changes of minor importance can be made at any time.
3. Major changes in content will be discussed by Notes Community with the customer in advance as much as possible.
4. Consumers are entitled to cancel the agreement in the event of a substantial change to the general terms and conditions.

Transfer of rights

1. The customer cannot transfer its rights deferring from an agreement with Notes Community to third parties without the prior written consent of Notes Community .
2. This provision applies as a clause with a property law effect as referred to in Section 3:83 (2) Dutch Civil Code.

Consequences of nullity or annulability

1. If one or more provisions of these general terms and conditions prove null or annulable, this will not affect the other provisions of these terms and conditions.
2. A provision that is null or annulable shall, in that case, be replaced by a provision that comes closest to what Notes Community had in mind when drafting the conditions on that issue.

Applicable law and competent court

1. Dutch law is exclusively applicable to all agreements between the parties.
2. The Dutch court in the district where Notes Community is established is exclusively competent in case of any disputes between parties, unless the law prescribes otherwise.

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