

General Terms and Conditions of Sale of  
**Lumberg Connect GmbH**

hereinafter referred to as Lumberg

**I. General Provisions**

1. These General Terms and Conditions of Sale apply exclusively. Lumberg neither recognizes conflicting conditions nor deviating terms and conditions of sale of the Purchaser unless Lumberg expressly agreed to their application in writing. These Terms and Conditions of Sale apply even in the case of Lumberg being aware of the Purchaser's terms and conditions conflicting with, or deviating from these General Terms and Conditions of Sale and performing the Purchaser's delivery without reservation.
2. All agreements made between Lumberg and the Purchaser for the purpose of fulfilling this contract are stipulated in writing in this contract.
3. These Terms and Conditions of Sale apply exclusively to companies in the meaning of Sect. 310 (1) BGB (German Civil Code).
4. These Terms and Conditions of Sale apply equally to any and all future business between Lumberg and the Purchaser.
5. Offers (e.g. quantity, delivery time, price) are without obligation and non-binding. Concrete delivery obligations shall come into being only upon order confirmation. Cost estimates, drawings, drafts and other documents (hereafter referred to as the Documents) can be adjusted. These shall only be binding where Lumberg expressly designates them as such.
6. Lumberg shall reserve unlimited proprietary rights and copyrights to all Documents. Documents shall be made available to third parties only where Lumberg has indicated prior consent or where this is necessary owing to legal regulations. Documents shall not be exploited in any other way without the consent of Lumberg. In the event that the order is not awarded, Documents must be returned immediately upon request.
7. Partial deliveries shall be permitted where deemed reasonable by the Purchaser.

**II. Delivery Deadlines, Delay**

1. Delivery periods and deadlines specified by Lumberg shall refer to the shipping date of the goods. The meeting of a delivery deadline shall require that all Documents, necessary permits and approvals, especially of plans, shall be furnished by the Purchaser on time, in addition to the Purchaser's compliance with the agreed terms of payment and other obligations. If these requirements are not met in time, those deadlines shall be extended accordingly. However, this clause shall not apply on condition that the delay is Lumberg's responsibility. Lumberg reserves the right to object to unfulfilled contracts.
2. Force majeure or events which prevent Lumberg from supplying or which considerably impair such goods at no fault of Lumberg's shall entitle Lumberg to postpone the date of delivery or withdraw from the contract.
3. In the event that Lumberg is unable to meet an agreed deadline on account of reasons for which it is responsible, or if the company defaults for any other reason, the Purchaser shall be obliged to grant a reasonable period of grace. Lumberg is liable in accordance with legal regulations insofar as the delayed delivery is due to the willful or gross negligent breach of contract for which Lumberg is responsible. Any representative or vicarious agent at fault shall be attributed to Lumberg. Insofar as the delayed delivery is due to a gross negligent breach of contract for which Lumberg is responsible, Lumberg's liability for damages shall be limited to the foreseeable damage that typically occurs.
4. Lumberg shall be liable in accordance with legal regulations insofar as the underlying contract constitutes a fixed date transaction in the meaning of Section 286 (2) no. 4 BGB (German Civil Code), or of Section 376 HGB (German Commercial Code). Lumberg shall equally be held liable in accordance with legal regulations insofar as the consequence of a delayed delivery for which Lumberg is responsible results in the Purchaser

being entitled to enforce that his interest in the further fulfillment of the contract turned out in discontinuance.

5. Lumberg shall also be liable in accordance with legal regulations if the delayed delivery for which Lumberg is responsible is due to the culpable violation of a major contractual obligation. In this case, however, the liability for damages shall be limited to the foreseeable damage that typically occurs.
6. Where Lumberg defaults, Lumberg shall be liable for each full week of delay to effect a lump-sum compensation amounting to 0.5% of the delivery value, yet not exceeding 5% of the delivery value.
7. In the case of call orders without agreement on specific delivery deadlines, Lumberg shall be entitled to demand a mandatory definition of such dates up to three months after the confirmation of order. If the Purchaser fails to comply with this request within three weeks, Lumberg shall be entitled to impose a second deadline of two weeks and withdraw from the contract after this period has expired or reject any delivery, and claim compensation.
8. If the Purchaser is in default of acceptance, he culpably breaches his duty to co-operate, or if at the request of the Purchaser the dispatch or delivery are delayed by more than one month after readiness for shipping has been indicated, storage charges amounting to 0.5% of the price of the objects of delivery may be imposed on the Purchaser for every month commencing (up to a maximum of 5%). The contracting parties are at liberty to furnish evidence of higher or lower storage charges. The right to assert further claims or rights remains reserved.
9. Insofar as the requirements as set forth under no. (8) apply, the risk of accidental loss or accidental deterioration of the delivery passes to the Purchaser at such moment when the latter comes into default of acceptance.
10. If the contract entered into obliges Lumberg to deliver in advance, Lumberg may refuse to fulfill the performance owed if it becomes apparent after entering into the contract that Lumberg's right to consideration is jeopardized as a result of the Purchaser's lack of performance capability. This applies in particular if the consideration to which Lumberg is entitled, due to a substantial deterioration in the Purchaser's financial situation, is jeopardized.

**III. Dispatch, Transfer of Risk, Return of Packaging**

1. The risk shall be transferred to the Purchaser even in the case of a prepaid delivery as soon as the goods have left Lumberg's manufacturing location. Lumberg may choose the means of transport at its discretion unless a specific type of transport has been agreed with the Purchaser. A transport insurance shall only be taken out following a separate agreement. If the dispatch is delayed for reasons beyond Lumberg's responsibility, any risk shall be transferred to the Purchaser at the time readiness for shipping is communicated; Lumberg shall then have the right to store the goods at the expense of the Purchaser (art. II no. 8).
2. Lumberg shall only accept the return of used transport packaging (within the meaning of the Packaging Regulations) if the latter is returned with carriage prepaid, to Lumberg's manufacturing location.

**IV. Pricing, Terms of Payment, Default**

1. Unless otherwise indicated in the order confirmation, prices shall apply ex works, excluding packaging, which will be invoiced separately.
2. If the agreed delivery period exceeds four (4) months, Lumberg shall have the right at the expiry of that time to consider alterations of cost factors having occurred in the meantime (especially due to changes in the price of materials or due to collective agreements) by adapting its prices or by a recalculation.
3. Unless otherwise agreed, Lumberg shall show all prices in euro and as net prices. Statutory value added tax is not included in the prices and is itemized on the invoice on the day of invoicing in the statutory amount.
4. Unless otherwise agreed, payments shall also be made in euro.

5. Any discount is subject to a separate written agreement.
6. Unless the order confirmation states otherwise, the purchase price is payable net (without deduction) within 30 days as of the invoice date. The statutory regulations pertaining to consequences of a default of payment apply.
7. The Purchaser is only entitled to rights of offsetting if his counterclaims have been established as final and absolute, are undisputed or recognized by Lumberg. Also, the Purchaser is entitled to exercise a right of retention insofar as his counterclaim is based on the same contractual relationship.
8. If the Purchaser fails to meet his payment obligations toward Lumberg in time, Lumberg shall be entitled to make all claims (including those based on a draft) due immediately and make any further deliveries conditional on immediate payment. This shall also apply if circumstances become known which may cause doubts as to the Purchaser's credit-worthiness.

#### V. Liability for Material Defects

Lumberg shall be liable for material defects as follows:

1. Claims for defects of the Purchaser require that the Purchaser properly complied with his owed duties of inspection and notification of defects pursuant to Section 377 BGB (German Civil Code).
2. Notice must be given in writing of material defects, incorrect deliveries and deliveries of a quantity less than contracted as well as defects that are visible, without delay and at the latest within 10 days of receipt of the goods at the point of destination. Where concealed defects are ascertained, these must be notified in writing within three (3) working days of discovery.
3. All parts or services found to be defective within the period of limitation – irrespective of the time of operation – must be, at the discretion of the Purchaser, reworked free of charge, supplied anew or rendered anew, provided that the cause of the material defect already existed at the time risk was transferred.
4. Delivery quality and/or quality agreements that differ from those defined by Lumberg must be agreed in writing upon award of contract at the latest. A guarantee as to the attributes or durability that results in strict liability shall only apply where Lumberg has expressly guaranteed details of attributes or durability in writing.
5. Goods which were claimed to be defective shall not be subjected to further treatment. If claims for defects are justified, Lumberg shall be liable for the expenses for dispatch and packaging of the goods returned and the new delivery. Rework performed without authorization by Lumberg and the improper treatment shall result in the loss of justified claims for warranty.
6. In all cases, Lumberg shall be granted the opportunity for subsequent compliance within a reasonable period. Compensation claims under the terms of art. VI may only be asserted by the Purchaser where subsequent compliance was not rendered.
7. If the supplementary performance fails, the Purchaser may – irrespective of potential claims for compensation as specified in art. VI – withdraw from the contract or reduce payment.
8. Claims for defects shall not be deemed justified in case of inconsiderable deviations from the properties stipulated or in the case of inconsiderable impairment of usability only. In addition claims for defects shall not apply in case of natural wear or damage which – after the transfer of risk – may arise from improper or negligent handling, excessive use, inappropriate working materials or due to special external influences not provided for under the contract. If the Purchaser or any third party perform improper modifications or repair work, no claim for compensation can be lodged for consequences resulting from them.
9. In the case of notifications of material defects, payments by the Purchaser may be withheld to an extent commensurate with the material defects established. However, the Purchaser may only withhold payments where there is clear justification for a material defect being asserted. Where the notification of defect is unjustified, Lumberg shall be entitled to demand compensation from the Purchaser for expenses incurred.
10. Purchaser's claims for expenditure which were necessary to effect post-

delivery performance, e.g. the costs of transport, road, work and material, shall be excluded if expenses are increased because the object of delivery has been taken to a location different from the Purchaser's; this shall not apply if such a transport is in compliance with the intended use.

11. Claims based on the legal right of recourse by the Purchaser against Lumberg shall only exist to the extent that the Purchaser had not come to an agreement with his end customer beyond the legal claims for defects. In addition, art. V no. 10 shall also apply to the extent of the Purchaser's right of recourse against Lumberg.
12. Further, art. VI (further claims for compensation) shall be applicable to claims for damages. Further claims by the Purchaser or other claims than those governed by these art. V and VI lodged by the Purchaser against Lumberg and its vicarious agents that are based on a material defect, shall be excluded.
13. The limitation period for claims for defects is twelve (12) months as of the transfer of risk.
14. The limitation period in the case of a delivery recourse pursuant to Sections 478, 479 BGB (German Civil Code) is not affected; the period is five (5) years starting as of delivery of the defective items.

#### VI. Claims for Compensation

1. Claims for compensation and expenses by the Purchaser – irrespective of the legal basis – particularly on account of culpa in contrahendo, other breaches of contractual duty or tort liability for replacement of physical damage pursuant to Section 823 BGB (German Civil Code), shall be excluded.
2. The limitation pursuant to no. (1) applies also insofar as the Purchaser, instead of a claim for replacement of the physical damage demands the replacement of frustrated expenses.
3. Lumberg shall be unlimitedly liable under the legal regulations for injury to life, limb and health resulting from an intentional or negligent breach of duty on the part of Lumberg, its legal representatives or vicarious agents, and for damage covered by liability under the Product Liability Act. Lumberg shall also be liable for all damage in connection with intentional or grossly negligent contractual violations, including fraudulent intent on the part of its legal representatives and vicarious agents. Insofar as Lumberg is not accused of an intentional breach of contract, the liability for damages is limited to the foreseeable damage that typically occurs.
4. Where Lumberg has provided a guarantee as to the quality or durability of the goods or parts thereof, Lumberg shall also be liable in respect of this guarantee. However, Lumberg shall only be liable for damage which is based on the absence of the guaranteed attributes or durability but which is not directly connected with the goods in question where the risk of such damage is clearly understood from the guarantee as to attributes or durability.
5. Lumberg shall also be liable for damage caused by slight negligence where this negligence concerns the violation of central contractual obligations. The same shall apply where the Purchaser is entitled to claims for compensation in lieu of performance. However, Lumberg shall only be liable where the damage is typically linked to the contract and the foreseeable. The regulations above do not provide for an amendment to the burden of proof to the disadvantage of Purchaser.
6. Further liability on the part of Lumberg shall be excluded without consideration of the legal nature of the asserted claim. This shall apply in particular to tortious claims or claims for compensation of frustrated expenses in lieu of performance. This does not affect the liability of Lumberg under art. II no. 5. Where the liability of Lumberg is excluded or limited, this shall also apply to the personal liability of its salaried employees, wage-earning employees, co-workers, representatives and vicarious agents.
7. Claims for reimbursement of expenses shall not be excluded in cases of non-fulfillment, but shall be limited as described in art. V no. 9.
8. The limitation period in the event of a delivery recourse pursuant to Sections 478, 479 BGB (German Civil Code) are not affected; the period is five (5) years as of delivery of the defective item.

9. For such claims that are not subject to the limitation period of a defect, an 18-month time limit applies. It commences as of knowledge of the damage and the damaging party.

#### **VII. Impossibility; Adaptation of the Contract**

1. Where a delivery proves impossible, the Purchaser shall be entitled to claim compensation unless Lumberg is not responsible for such impossibility. However, such a claim for compensation by the Purchaser shall be limited to 10% of the value of that part of the delivery which cannot be put in operation as intended for reasons of impossibility. This limitation shall not apply where Lumberg is subject to unlimited liability in accordance with art. VI no. 2. This does not provide for an amendment to the burden of proof to the disadvantage of the Purchaser. The right of the Purchaser to withdraw from the contract is unaffected.
2. Should unpredictable events within the meaning of art. II no. 1 considerably modify the economic significance or the contents of the delivery or have a considerable effect on Lumberg's business, the contract shall be adapted accordingly with the principle of bona fide being observed. Should this be economically inappropriate, Lumberg shall be entitled to withdraw from the contract. If Lumberg wants to exercise its right to withdraw, Lumberg shall immediately advise the Purchaser accordingly after having recognized the extent of the event; this shall also apply if earlier agreements with the Purchaser included an extension of the delivery period.

#### **VIII. Reservation of Title**

1. The parts of the delivery (goods supplied under reservation of title) shall remain Lumberg's property until all claims Lumberg is entitled to against the Purchaser resulting from the business relationship are met. As soon as the value of all security interests to which Lumberg is entitled exceeds the amount of all claims secured by more than ten percent (10 %), Lumberg shall release the relevant part of the security interest at the Purchaser's request.
2. The processing of goods supplied under reservation of title is performed by Lumberg acting as the manufacturer within the meaning of Section 950 German Civil Code (BGB); this shall not mean that Lumberg has to meet an obligation. Should Lumberg not become a co-owner following the processing of the goods supplied under reservation of title, the Purchaser shall transfer in advance the co-ownership of the product to Lumberg in proportion to the material values subject to a free storage relationship. If Lumberg thus acquires a (co-)ownership of goods processed, Lumberg shall already transfer them to the Purchaser subject to the condition precedent of payment of its invoices, which means that the Purchaser shall acquire a right of expectancy as it is the case with goods purchased under a reservation of title.
3. In the case of the goods purchased under a reservation of title being seized on the part of Lumberg, withdrawal from the contract shall only apply where this is expressly indicated by Lumberg. The Purchaser shall be obliged to notify Lumberg immediately in writing in cases of seizure or other intervention by third parties.
4. As long as the Purchaser is not in default against Lumberg and Lumberg has not prohibited any reselling according to point 6 of this article, the Purchaser shall have the right to sell the goods purchased under a reservation of title in the course of ordinary business subject to the condition that the Purchaser equally agrees upon a reservation of title with his end customers in accordance with the aforementioned provisions. However, the Purchaser shall not be entitled to dispose of the goods purchased under a reservation of title in any other manner, and here in particular the Purchaser shall neither pledge the goods nor assign these by way of security.
5. The Purchaser shall already assign claims resulting from the sale against his end customers in advance to Lumberg as a form of security. The Purchaser's right of sale shall depend on the effectiveness of the individual assignment of claims to Lumberg. If the goods were initially pro-

cessed or combined with other objects, the assignment of the claim shall become effective in the amount of the sales price of the items integrated into the goods. Part payments are then considered to regard such part of the claim that has not been assigned. The Purchaser shall only be entitled to collection as long as he is not in default against Lumberg.

6. If the Purchaser is in default of performance, Lumberg may prohibit any resale and combination and collect the claims covered by the assignment. The Purchaser shall provide any and all information as required and hand over all Documents. After a withdrawal from the contract Lumberg can demand the return of goods purchased under a reservation of title, which shall also include a partial withdrawal as to the goods still available. It is for Lumberg to choose the securities it wishes to release.
7. Following the return of the purchased item Lumberg is entitled to the exploitation of the item; the proceeds from such exploitation will be offset against the customer's liabilities, minus any appropriate costs of the exploitation.
8. The customer shall undertake to treat the purchased item with due care. The customer is in particular entitled to take out sufficient insurance at the original value against fire, damage caused by water and theft. Insofar as maintenance and inspection work is required, the customer shall perform this work in due time at its own expense.

#### **IX. Industrial Protective Rights and Copyrights; Defects in Title**

1. Unless otherwise agreed, Lumberg shall undertake to supply goods free of industrial protective rights and copyrights held by third parties (hereinafter referred to as Protective Rights) in the country of the place of delivery only. Should a third party submit justified claims against the Purchaser which are based on the violation of protective rights by Lumberg in the course of the deliveries used as stipulated, Lumberg shall be liable to the Purchaser within the period defined in art. V no. 6 as follows:
  - a) At its own discretion and own expense, Lumberg shall either obtain a right of usage for the deliveries in question, amend the deliveries in such a way that a property right is not infringed, or replace them. If this is not possible under reasonable conditions, the legal rights of termination or reduction shall be open to the Purchaser. The Purchaser cannot claim compensation for frustrated expenses.
  - b) The obligation on behalf of Lumberg to pay compensation shall be regulated by article VI.
  - c) The above-named obligations of Lumberg shall only be effective where the Purchaser notifies Lumberg immediately in writing about claims asserted by third parties, does not admit any infringement and reserves to Lumberg all precautionary measures and settlement negotiations. If the Purchaser discontinues usage of the deliveries for reasons of damage, reduction or for other important cause, such party shall undertake to indicate to the third party that the discontinuation of usage implies no admission of an infringement of property rights.
2. Claims by the Purchaser shall be excluded if any violation of protective rights is his responsibility.
3. Claims by the Purchaser shall be excluded insofar as the violation of the protective rights was caused by the Purchaser's specifications, by an application which could not be foreseen by Lumberg or by the fact that the deliveries were modified by the Purchaser or used in combination with products not supplied by Lumberg.
4. In case of a violation of Protective Rights the Purchaser's claims governed by no. 1 a) apply and for the rest, the provisions of art. V nos. 4, 5 and 9 shall apply accordingly.
5. Should further defects in title occur, the provisions of art. V shall apply accordingly.
6. Further claims by the Purchaser or claims that differ to those governed by this art. IX against Lumberg and its vicarious agents based on a defect in title shall be excluded

#### **X. Intra-community Deliveries, Value Added Tax Liability**

If Lumberg is made liable for value added tax on deliveries to EU member countries simply because the Purchaser's information furnished to Lumberg on the requirements of VAT exemption acc. to Sec. 4 no. 1b, Sec. 6a of the German Value Added Tax Act do not apply or the Purchaser or his end customer did not meet an obligation within the scope of income taxation (proper communication to the central tax office, payment of income tax or others), the Purchaser shall be obliged to compensate Lumberg for the amount of value added tax without regard to fault.

#### **XI. Foreign trade law, export control**

1. Performance of the contract by Lumberg shall be subject to the proviso that there are no obstacles to performance on the basis of national or international provisions of foreign trade and payments law (in particular Regulation (EC) No. 428/2009, German Foreign Trade and Payments Act and Foreign Trade and Payments Ordinance), embargoes, import restrictions and/or other sanctions, in particular for so-called armaments and dual-use goods (hereinafter collectively referred to as "foreign trade and payments law"). The Purchaser undertakes to apply the Foreign Trade and Payments Law in its currently valid version to the contract and its performance in business transactions.
2. The Purchaser undertakes to provide all information and documents required for the export or shipment under the applicable foreign trade and payments law and to comply with any restrictions imposed by governmental authorities in import or export licenses (e.g. a re-export requirement). The Purchaser further undertakes not to sell, export, re-export, deliver, pass on or otherwise make available the supplies directly or indirectly, collaterally or immediately to persons, companies, institutions, organizations or to countries, if this violates applicable foreign trade and payments law. Upon request by Lumberg, customer shall provide Lumberg with adequate and complete information on the end use of the supplies and services. In particular, so-called end-use documents shall be issued and sent to Lumberg in the original as evidence to the competent governmental authorities.
3. If Lumberg is prevented from timely delivery or performance due to the duration of the proper execution of an application, approval or examination procedure under customs or foreign trade law, an agreed performance period shall be extended by the duration of the delay caused by this official procedure as well as by the time required to resume performance of the contract.
4. If the permits or approvals required for the performance of the contract under foreign trade law are not granted/revoked by the competent authorities or if other legal obstacles under foreign trade law permanently prevent the performance of the contract, both Lumberg and the customer shall be entitled to withdraw from the contract in whole or in part. The same shall apply if such an impediment to performance only arises after the conclusion of the contract.
5. In the event that only a partial performance is affected by the impediment to performance, the customer may only withdraw from the contract if the customer cannot reasonably be expected to accept the possible partial performance. The assertion of claims for damages by the customer based on the right of withdrawal - exercised by the customer or by Lumberg - is excluded.

#### **XII. Jurisdiction and Applicable Law**

1. If the Purchaser is a business, then the courts at the domicile of Lumberg in Schalksmühle (venue: Hagen) shall have exclusive jurisdiction for all disputes arising directly or indirectly from the contractual relationship. However, Lumberg is equally entitled to sue at the Purchaser's domicile.
2. German substantive law applies to the contractual relations, excluding the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG).

#### **XIII. Mandatory Character of the Agreement**

Even in case of a potential legal ineffectiveness of some provisions the contract's remaining provisions shall remain binding. This does not apply if adhering to the contract would create unreasonable hardship for either party.

Schalksmühle, April 2023