
STANDARD SERVICE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

BACKGROUND:

24hr Aquaflow Services Limited (“**Aquaflow**”) provides specialist drainage cleaning and plumbing services to business clients through appropriately qualified sub-contractors. Aquaflow has reasonable skill, knowledge and experience in that field. These Terms and Conditions shall apply to the provision of services by Aquaflow to its clients.

1. Definitions and Interpretation

1.1 In these Terms and Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“Agreement”	means the agreement entered into by Aquaflow and the Client consisting of these Terms and Conditions, the Quote (if any), Aquaflow’s standard price list (as updated from time to time), the Order and Confirmation of the Order which shall govern provision of the Services;
“Business Day”	means, any day (other than Saturday or Sunday) on which ordinary banks are open for their full range of normal business in the United Kingdom;
“Client”	means the party procuring the Services from Aquaflow who shall be identified in the Agreement;
“Commencement Date”	means the date on which the Services are first performed in accordance with the dates set out in the Order or otherwise as agreed between the Client and Aquaflow;
“Confidential Information”	means, in relation to either Party, information which is disclosed to that Party by the other Party pursuant to or in connection with the Agreement (whether orally or in writing or any other medium, and whether or not the information is expressly stated to be confidential or marked as such);
“CPI”	means the general index of consumer prices (for all items) published by the National Office For Statistics as the standard measure of UK consumer price inflation or any official index replacing it.
“Fees”	means any and all sums due under the Agreement from the Client to Aquaflow, as specified in the Quote (if applicable) or Aquaflow’s standard price list (as updated from time to time and as in force at the time of provision of the relevant Service);

“Intellectual Property Rights” means copyright, patents, know-how, trade secrets, trademarks, trade names, design rights, rights in get-up, rights in goodwill, rights in software, rights in Confidential Information, rights to invention, rights to sue for passing off, domain names and all other intellectual property rights and similar rights and, in each case:

- a) whether registered or not;
- b) including any applications to protect or register such rights;
- c) including all renewals and extensions of such rights or applications;
- d) whether vested, contingent or future;
- e) to which the relevant party is or may be entitled; and
- f) in whichever part of the world existing;

“Order” means the Client’s order for the Services which shall take the form of either the Client’s acceptance of the Quote or (subject to Clause 2.4) the Client’s purchase order form, as the case may be;

“Quote” means any quotation issued by Aquaflow for the Services as provided to the Client setting out the quality, quantity and frequency of the Services;

“Services” means the specialist drainage cleaning and plumbing services agreed to be performed by Aquaflow in accordance with Clause 3 of the Agreement, as fully defined in the Agreement, and subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement;

“Working Hours” means the standard working hours of 8:00 am to 17:00 pm unless expressly stated differently in any Quote or otherwise agreed by Aquaflow.

1.2 Unless the context otherwise requires, each reference in these Terms and Conditions to:

1.2.1 “writing”, and any cognate expression, includes a reference to any communication effected by electronic or similar means (including email but excluding fax);

1.2.2 a statute or a provision of a statute is a reference to that statute or provision as amended or re-enacted at the relevant time;

1.2.3 “these Terms and Conditions” is a reference to these Terms and Conditions as amended or supplemented at the relevant time;

1.2.4 a Clause or paragraph is a reference to a Clause of these Terms and Conditions or to a Clause of the Agreement, as appropriate; and

- 1.2.5 a "Party" or the "Parties" refer to the parties to the Agreement.
- 1.3 The headings used in these Terms and Conditions are for convenience only and shall have no effect upon the interpretation of these Terms and Conditions.
- 1.4 Words imparting the singular number shall include the plural and vice versa.
- 1.5 References to any gender shall include the other gender.
- 1.6 References to persons shall include corporations.

2. Basis of Contract

- 2.1 The Client should ensure that all relevant details are provided in a timely manner to permit Aquaflow to fully assess the scope of the new instruction for Services (e.g. notification of any specific hazards, the need to work at height).
- 2.2 Where the Client wishes to retain Aquaflow to perform reactive services from time to time on a call-off basis, the Client shall submit an Order to Aquaflow. The submission of an Order shall amount to an offer. The Order shall only be deemed to be accepted, and a contract shall be formed, when Aquaflow issues written confirmation of the order ("**Confirmation of the Order**") or (if later) Aquaflow accepts a request to provide Services on a call-off basis. Thereafter the Agreement shall provide a framework pursuant to which the Client can request Services on a call-off basis. Aquaflow shall not be obliged to accept any such request. In the event that any such request is accepted by Aquaflow, the Fees for such Services shall (unless otherwise specifically agreed by Aquaflow in writing in advance) be calculated on the basis of Aquaflow's standard price list as in force at the time of performance of the relevant Services, and the terms of the Agreement shall otherwise apply to the provision of such services.
- 2.3 Where the Client wishes to engage Aquaflow to perform a specific task or project (and not to retain Aquaflow to perform reactive services from time to time), Aquaflow shall provide a Quote for the Services requested by the Client. This Quote will constitute an invitation to treat and shall be valid until such time as the Client places an Order or the expiry of 30 days from receipt of the Quote, whichever is earlier. Aquaflow reserves the right to amend the Quote if further information provided by the Client materially alters the scope of the works or services. In the event the Client wishes to accept the Quote, it shall submit an Order. The submission of an Order amounts to an offer. The Order shall only be deemed to be accepted, and a contract shall be formed, when Aquaflow issues written confirmation of the order ("**Confirmation of the Order**"). The Agreement will come into force, and be legally binding on the Client and Aquaflow, with effect from the point at which, and on the date on which, Aquaflow issues the Confirmation of the Order.
- 2.4 Where an Order is created by way of the Client's purchase order form, acceptance of the Client's purchase order form by Aquaflow does not constitute acceptance of any terms of purchase, terms of business or other terms that may be included on, or referred to in, or which the Client otherwise seeks to incorporate into, such purchase order form ("**PO Terms**"). Any such PO Terms are specifically excluded from the Agreement and shall not apply to the performance of the Services, and these Terms and Conditions shall continue to apply to the Agreement to the exclusion of any such PO Terms. By submitting an Order, the Client acknowledges and accepts the foregoing and waives any right to rely on the PO Terms and acknowledges and accepts that these Terms and Conditions govern the Agreement.

- 2.5 Marketing and other promotional material relating to the Services are illustrative only and do not form part of the Agreement.

3. Provision of the Services

- 3.1 With effect from the Commencement Date, Aquaflow shall provide the Services to the Client with reasonable skill and care, commensurate with prevailing standards in the Industrial Cleaning sector in the United Kingdom.
- 3.2 Aquaflow shall act in accordance with all reasonable instructions given to it by the Client provided such instructions are compatible with the specification of Services provided in the Agreement.
- 3.3 Aquaflow shall be responsible for ensuring that it complies with all statutes, regulations, byelaws, standards, codes of conduct and any other rules relevant to the provision of the Services.
- 3.4 Aquaflow may use CCTV and Sonar equipment during the provision of the Services to view the interior of a pipe or track its route underground. Aquaflow provides no guarantee as to the accuracy of the information produced by such equipment and shall not be liable for any loss, claims, damage or proceedings arising from or in connection with the use of CCTV or Sonar equipment, or any subsequent advice or interpretation provided to the Client as a result of the information produced by the CCTV or Sonar equipment.
- 3.5 The Services shall be carried out within Working Hours. Additional charges may occur where the Services can only be carried out outside of Working Hours or within restricted time periods.
- 3.6 Aquaflow may, in relation to certain specified matters related to the Services, act on the Client's behalf. Such matters shall not be set out in the Agreement but shall be agreed in writing between the Parties as they arise from time to time. In the event of any such matters, Clause 6 shall apply.
- 3.7 Aquaflow shall use all reasonable endeavours to accommodate any reasonable changes in the Services that may be requested by the Client, subject to the Client's acceptance of any related reasonable changes to the Fees that may be due as a result of such changes.
- 3.8 Aquaflow shall use all reasonable endeavours to meet any agreed dates for performance, but such dates shall be estimates only and time shall not be of the essence for performance of the Services.

4. Client's Obligations

- 4.1 In order that Aquaflow is able to perform the agreed Services, the Client will ensure that:
- 4.1.1 Aquaflow is provided with all pertinent and accurate information that is necessary for the provision of the Services prior to the performance of the Services;
- 4.1.2 The premises where the Services are to be performed are safe and that Aquaflow and all necessary Aquaflow personnel are made aware of any potential health and safety issues or hazards;

- 4.1.3 There is an adequate power and water supply, as required;
- 4.1.4 All relevant Aquaflow personnel are given access to the premises and other facilities as required and are supplied with contact details for a representative on site;
- 4.1.5 All relevant Aquaflow personnel have the cooperation of the Client's personnel including the prompt provision of any instructions, decision, approval or consent reasonable required by Aquaflow in order to continue with the provision of the Services;
- 4.1.6 All applicable laws, including health and safety laws, relevant to the site are complied with.
- 4.1.7 If any consents, licences or other permissions are needed from any third parties such as landlords, planning authorities, local authorities or similar, it shall be the Client's responsibility to obtain the same in advance of the provision of the Services (or the relevant part thereof).
- 4.1.8 If the nature of the Services requires that Aquaflow has access to the Client's premises or any other location, access to which is lawfully controlled by the Client, the Client shall ensure that Aquaflow has access to the same at the times to be agreed between Aquaflow and the Client as required. In the event Aquaflow require access to private land that is outside of the Client's control to perform the Services, the Client shall be responsible at its own expense for ensuring all relevant permissions have been obtained to allow Aquaflow access to the private land and shall provide evidence of such permission on Aquaflow's reasonable request.
- 4.2 The Client may, from time to time, issue reasonable instructions to Aquaflow in relation to the provision of the Services. Any such instructions should be compatible with the specification of the Services provided in the Agreement.
- 4.3 Any delay or failure in the provision of the Services resulting from the Client's failure or delay in complying with any of the provisions of this Clause 4 ("**Default**") shall not be the responsibility or fault of Aquaflow and:
 - 4.3.1 without limiting or affecting any other right or remedy available, Aquaflow shall have the right to suspend performance of the Services until the Client remedies the Default;
 - 4.3.2 Aquaflow shall be entitled to rely on the Default to relieve it from the performance of any of its obligations in each case to the extent the Default prevents or delays its performance of any of its obligations;
 - 4.3.3 Aquaflow shall not be liable for any costs or losses sustained or incurred by the Client arising directly or indirectly from Aquaflow's failure or delay to perform the Services; and
 - 4.3.4 The Client shall reimburse Aquaflow on written demand for any costs or losses sustained or incurred by us arising directly or indirectly from the Default.
- 4.4 For the purposes of Clause 4.3, Default shall include circumstances where Aquaflow cannot perform the Services because the Client has failed to provide access to the premises.

5. Fees, Payment and Records

- 5.1 The Fees for a job will be based on Aquaflow's assessment of the number of hours and number, and skills, experience and qualifications, of personnel required to perform the job. The Fees will incorporate any particular skills required, as well as materials, equipment and waste disposal costs.
- 5.2 Any change in the scope of the work as originally assessed may necessitate additional Fees being chargeable.
- 5.3 Unless otherwise agreed, Aquaflow shall invoice the Client for Fees due on or before the Commencement Date or at any time following performance of the relevant Services. The Client shall pay each invoice within 28 days of receipt of the invoice.
- 5.4 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, on each anniversary of the Commencement Date Aquaflow shall adjust all Fees on an upwards only basis in accordance with the CPI for the year immediately preceding the relevant anniversary date.
- 5.5 Without limiting anything under Clause 5.4, Aquaflow may increase the Fees at any time during the term of the Agreement to reflect any additional costs incurred by Aquaflow as a result of any change in applicable law, regulation, regulatory requirement or rate of tax that comes into effect after the Commencement Date, including without limitation any increase in the rates of any employer National Insurance contributions. Any increase under this Clause 5.5 shall be limited to the additional costs incurred by Aquaflow as a consequence of such change in law or regulation or rates. Aquaflow shall provide the Client with reasonable advance written notice of any such increase, and such notice shall specify the effective date of such increase.
- 5.6 Where the nature of the Services requires any personnel to work in a Confined Space (as defined by the Confined Spaces Regulations 1997) or any manhole exceeding a depth of 1.2 metres, Aquaflow reserves the right to increase the Fees to reflect any costs incurred in respect of any additional labour and safety equipment required in order to perform the Services in accordance with the requirements of such Regulations.
- 5.7 All payments required to be made pursuant to the Agreement by either Party shall be made in GBP in cleared funds to such bank in as the receiving Party may from time to time nominate, without any set-off, withholding or deduction except such amount (if any) of tax as that Party is required to deduct or withhold by law.
- 5.8 In the event that the Client requires Aquaflow to submit invoices via a centralised or third party procurement platform or other intermediary service, or otherwise register or use such a platform or service, the Client shall be responsible for reimbursing any costs, fees or other expenses that Aquaflow incurs in connection with the use of such platform or service, including any registration or usage fees. Any such costs, fees or other expenses shall be in addition to the Fees detailed herein. Where any payment pursuant to the Agreement is required to be made on a day that is not a Business Day, it may be made on the next following Business Day.
- 5.9 Without prejudice to Clause 13.4.1 of these Terms and Conditions, any sums which remain unpaid following the expiry of the period set out in Clause 5.3 of these Terms and Conditions shall incur interest on a daily basis at 4% above the base rate of HSBC bank from time to time until payment is made in full of any such outstanding sums.

- 5.10 Each Party shall:
- 5.10.1 keep, or procure that there are kept, such records and books of account as are necessary to enable the amount of any sums payable pursuant to the Agreement to be accurately calculated;
 - 5.10.2 at the reasonable request of the other Party, allow that Party or its agent to inspect those records and books of account and, to the extent that they relate to the calculation of those sums, to take copies of them.
- 5.11 In the event the client cancels the provision of any agreed services with less than 48 hours' notice, Aquaflow shall be entitled to charge a cancellation fee of 50% of the original quoted Fee for the service.
- 5.12 The Fees are exclusive of any applicable VAT and other taxes or levies which are imposed or charged by any competent authority.

6. **Liability, Indemnity and Insurance**

- 6.1 Aquaflow shall have in place at all times public liability insurance up to a minimum value of £5m of cover. The limits and exclusions in this clause reflect the insurance cover Aquaflow has been able to arrange and the Client is responsible for making its own arrangements for the insurance of any excess loss.
- 6.2 Nothing in these Terms and Conditions shall limit or exclude any liability which cannot legally be limited including but not limited to death or personal injury caused by negligence.
- 6.3 Subject to Clause 6.2, Aquaflow shall in no circumstances whatsoever be liable to the Client, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, for:
- 6.3.1 any special, indirect, consequential or pure economic loss, costs, damages, charges or expenses; or
 - 6.3.2 any: (i) loss of profit; (ii) loss of sales or business; (iii) loss of agreements or contracts; (iv) loss of anticipated savings; (v) loss of use or corruption or software, data or information; or (vi) loss of or damage to goodwill.
- 6.4 Aquaflow's total liability for any loss or damage caused as a result of its negligence or breach of the Agreement shall be limited at all times to the greater of £10,000 or three times the value of the services provided in the previous twelve month period ("the **Cap**").
- 6.5 Aquaflow shall not be liable for any loss or damage suffered by the Client that results from the Client's failure to follow any instructions given by Aquaflow or which results directly or indirectly from a Default.
- 6.6 The Client shall indemnify Aquaflow against any costs, liability, damages, loss, claims or proceedings arising from loss or damage to any equipment (including that belonging to any third parties appointed by Aquaflow) caused by the Client or its agents or employees.

7. **Quality**

- 7.1 Aquaflow shall all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Services are provided with a reasonable level of skill and care and (if applicable) to the standard originally detailed

in any Quote.

- 7.2 In the event that Aquaflow fails to perform the Services with reasonable care and skill (as defined by the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982) it shall carry out any and all reasonably necessary remedial action at no additional cost to the Client.

8. **Waste Disposal**

- 8.1 Unless otherwise stated in any Quote, Aquaflow shall not be required to remove or dispose of any waste or debris ("**Waste**") at the site in which the Services are performed. Where, in Aquaflow's sole opinion, removal of the Waste is deemed necessary in order to continue performance of the Services, Aquaflow may at any time transport and dispose of such Waste at any properly authorised and registered landfill or waste transfer station ("**Registered Disposal Site**").
- 8.2 The Client shall be liable for all costs arising from and in connection with the necessary disposal of Waste, including and not limited to the storage or transport of Waste to an alternative Registered Disposal Site in the event a Registered Disposal Site rejects the disposal of Waste for whatever reason.

9. **Storage of Materials**

- 9.1 The Client shall make available to Aquaflow, on Aquaflow's reasonable request, suitable locked onsite storage for any materials or equipment used in the provision of the Services. The Client shall ensure that the designated storage area is equipped with all things reasonably necessary to prevent unauthorised access, environmental contamination and accidental release.
- 9.2 The Client shall bear responsibility for ensuring the onsite storage is locked and secured when not in use and Aquaflow shall have no liability in respect of any failure to secure the onsite storage from unauthorised access.
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10. **Confidentiality**

- 10.1 Each Party undertakes that, except as provided by Clause 10.2 of these Terms and Conditions or as authorised in writing by the other Party, it shall, at all times during the continuance of the Agreement and for two years after its termination:
- 10.1.1 keep confidential all Confidential Information;
 - 10.1.2 not disclose any Confidential Information to any other party;
 - 10.1.3 not use any Confidential Information for any purpose other than as contemplated by and subject to the terms of the Agreement;
 - 10.1.4 not make any copies of, record in any way or part with possession of any Confidential Information; and
 - 10.1.5 ensure that none of its directors, officers, employees, agents, sub-contractors or advisers does any act which, if done by that Party, would be a breach of the provisions of Clauses 10.1.1 to 10.1.4 of these Terms and Conditions.
- 10.2 Either Party may:
- 10.2.1 disclose any Confidential Information to:

- 10.2.1.1 any sub-contractor or supplier of that Party;
- 10.2.1.2 any governmental or other authority or regulatory body; or
- 10.2.1.3 any employee or officer of that Party or of any of the aforementioned persons, parties or bodies;
- 10.2.2 to such extent only as is necessary for the purposes contemplated by the Agreement (including, but not limited to, the provision of the Services), or as required by law regulation or order of a court of competent jurisdiction. In each case that Party shall first inform the person, party or body in question that the Confidential Information is confidential and (except where the disclosure is to any such body under Clause 10.2.1.2 or any employee or officer of any such body) obtaining and submitting to the other Party a written confidentiality undertaking from the party in question. Such undertaking should be as nearly as practicable in the terms of Clause 10 of these Terms and Conditions, to keep the Confidential Information confidential and to use it only for the purposes for which the disclosure is made; and
- 10.2.3 use any Confidential Information for any purpose, or disclose it to any other person, to the extent only that it is at the date of the Agreement, or at any time after that date becomes, public knowledge through no fault of that Party. In making such use or disclosure, that Party must not disclose any part of the Confidential Information that is not public knowledge.
- 10.3 Where a Party is required by law, regulation or order of a court of competent jurisdiction to disclose Confidential information it must (without prejudice to its obligations in Clause 10.2.2) immediately notify the other Party in writing of any request or requirement for disclosure and of all relevant surrounding circumstances. If the Party required to disclose is unable so to notify the other Party before such disclosure is required, it will notify the other Party immediately after the disclosure has been made. The Party required to disclose shall use its best endeavours to resist any requirement for disclosure and to maintain the confidentiality of any Confidential Information.
- 10.4 The provisions of Clause 10 of these Terms and Conditions shall continue in force in accordance with their terms, notwithstanding the termination of the Agreement for any reason.

11. Intellectual Property Rights

- 11.1 No Intellectual Property Rights of either party are transferred or licensed as a result of the Contract, except as set out in this Clause 11.
- 11.2 Aquaflow (or its third party licensor) shall retain and own all Intellectual Property Rights in the Services and grants the Client a non-exclusive, non-transferable, non-sublicensable licence to use such Intellectual Property Rights to the extent reasonably necessary for the Client to receive, and enjoy the benefit of, the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

12. Force Majeure

- 12.1 No Party to the Agreement shall be liable for any failure or delay in performing their obligations where such failure or delay results from any cause that is beyond the reasonable control of that Party. Such causes include, but are not limited to: power

failure, internet service provider failure, failure of supplies of fuel, water, transport, equipment or telecommunications service, or material required for performance of the Agreement, strike, lockout or boycott or other industrial action including those involving the Supplier's or its suppliers' workforce, civil unrest, fire, flood, storms, earthquakes, acts of terrorism, acts of war, governmental action or any other event that is beyond the control of the Party in question.

- 12.2 In the event that a Party to the Agreement cannot perform their obligations hereunder as a result of Force Majeure for a period of up to 3 months from the date the of commencement of Force Majeure, the other Party may at its discretion terminate the Agreement by written notice at the end of that period. In the event of such termination, the Parties shall agree upon a fair and reasonable payment for all Services provided up to the date of termination. Such payment shall take into account any prior contractual commitments entered into in reliance on the performance of the Agreement.

13. **Term and Termination**

- 13.1 The Agreement shall come into force in accordance with clause 3.
- 13.2 If the Agreement is for the performance of ongoing services, the Agreement shall continue, subject to termination in accordance with any express right of termination set out in these Terms and Conditions, until either party terminates the agreement by giving no less than 90 days written notice to the other party, subject to any other express right of termination set out in these Terms and Conditions.
- 13.3 If the Agreement is for the performance of a specific, one-off task, this Agreement shall continue, subject to termination in accordance with any express right of termination set out in these Terms and Conditions, until the completion of such task, whereupon the Agreement shall terminate automatically.
- 13.4 Either Party may immediately terminate the Agreement by giving written notice to the other Party if:
- 13.4.1 any sum owing to that Party by the other Party under any of the provisions of the Agreement is not paid within 30 Business Days of the due date for payment;
 - 13.4.2 the other Party commits a material breach of any of the provisions the Agreement and such breach is not remediable;
 - 13.4.3 the other Party commits any other breach of any of the provisions of the Agreement and, if the breach is capable of remedy, fails to remedy it within 14 Business Days after being given written notice giving full particulars of the breach and requiring it to be remedied;
 - 13.4.4 an encumbrancer takes possession, or where the other Party is a company, a receiver is appointed, of any of the property or assets of that other Party;
 - 13.4.5 the other Party makes any voluntary arrangement with its creditors or, being a company, becomes subject to an administration order (within the meaning of the Insolvency Act 1986);
 - 13.4.6 the other Party, being an individual or firm, has a bankruptcy order made against it or, being a company, goes into liquidation (except for the purposes of bona fide amalgamation or re-construction and in such a manner that the

company resulting therefrom effectively agrees to be bound by or assume the obligations imposed on that other Party under the Agreement);

13.4.7 anything analogous to any of the foregoing under the law of any jurisdiction occurs in relation to the other Party;

13.4.8 the other Party ceases, or threatens to cease, to carry on business; or

13.4.9 control of the other Party is acquired by any person or connected persons not having control of that other Party on the date of the Agreement. For the purposes of this Clause 13.4.9, “control” and “connected persons” shall have the meanings ascribed thereto by Sections 1124 and 1122 respectively of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

13.5 For the purposes of Clause 13.4.3, a breach shall be considered capable of remedy if the Party in breach can comply with the provision in question in all respects.

13.6 The rights to terminate the Agreement shall not prejudice any other right or remedy of either Party in respect of the breach concerned (if any) or any other breach.

14. **Effects of Termination**

Upon the termination of the Agreement for any reason:

14.1 any sum owing by either Party to the other under any of the provisions of the Agreement shall become immediately due and payable;

14.2 all Clauses which, either expressly or by their nature, relate to the period after the expiry or termination of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect;

14.3 termination shall not affect or prejudice any right to damages or other remedy which the terminating Party may have in respect of the event giving rise to the termination or any other right to damages or other remedy which any Party may have in respect of any breach of the Agreement which existed at or before the date of termination;

14.4 subject as provided in Clause 13 of these Terms and Conditions (and except in respect of any accrued rights) neither Party shall be under any further obligation to the other; and

14.5 each Party shall (except to the extent referred to in Clause 10 of these Terms and Conditions) immediately cease to use, either directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information, and shall immediately return to the other Party any documents in its possession or control which contain or record any Confidential Information.

15. **Data Processing**

Aquaflow shall process the Client’s data in accordance with their privacy policy which is available:

30.4.1 on request from dpo@reactsc.co.uk ; and

30.4.1 at www.24hraquaflowservices.co.uk

16. **TUPE**

For the purposes of this Clause 16, the following definitions shall apply:

“Affiliates”

means any entity that directly or indirectly has beneficial ownership of 51% or more of

	the issued share capital of a company, or is beneficially owned by, or is under common control with another company;
“Employee(s)”	means any employee (as defined in the TUPE Regulations) of the Client or of any Previous Supplier who is assigned to an organised grouping whose principal purpose is the performance of the Services (or services equivalent to the Services);
“Employment Costs”	means all costs associated with the employment of a person including all pay, benefits, PAYE payments, national insurance contributions, pension contributions;
“Employment Liability”	means all statutory, contractual or other legal liabilities and any demands, actions, proceedings, award, compensation, damages, tribunal awards, fine, loss, order, penalty, disbursement, payment made by way of settlement and costs and expenses reasonably incurred in connection with a claim or investigation, and any expenses and legal costs on an indemnity basis;
“Employee Liabilities Information”	means an up to date and accurate list containing the information listed in regulation 11(2) of the TUPE Regulations for each individual;
“Previous Supplier”	means any supplier or contractor who is engaged by or on behalf of the Client to perform the Services (or services equivalent to the Services) in the period prior to the Commencement Date;
“TUPE Regulations”	means the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (as amended, re-enacted or extended from time to time).

- 16.1 The parties agree that the commencement of the Services may constitute a service provision change as defined in regulation 3(1)(b) of the TUPE Regulations. Where this applies, the employment of the Employees shall transfer to Aquaflow on the Commencement Date pursuant to the TUPE Regulations.
- 16.2 Subject to any obligations under applicable data protection legislation, the Client will provide Aquaflow the Employee Liability Information in respect of the Employees no later than 28 days prior to the Commencement Date and will notify Aquaflow in writing of any changes to the Employee Liability Information occurring prior to the

Commencement Date within 3 Business Days of becoming aware of them.

16.3 The Client shall be responsible for and shall indemnify and keep indemnified Aquaflow and its Affiliates in full against:

16.3.1 any Employment Liabilities and Employment Costs arising out of or in connection with:

16.3.1.1 the employment or engagement of the Employees or any other person; or

16.3.1.2 the termination of the employment or engagement of any person;
in each case by the Client or its Affiliates during the period prior to the Commencement Date;

16.3.2 any failure by the Client or any of its Affiliates to comply with its obligations under the TUPE Regulations;

16.3.3 any losses (including without limitation Employment Liabilities and Employment Costs) arising out of or in connection with any claim made against Aquaflow or any Affiliate by any person who claims to have been an employee of the Client or of any Previous Supplier and that their employment transferred to Aquaflow on commencement of the Services pursuant to the TUPE Regulations to the extent that such person is not identified in the Employee Liabilities Information; and

16.3.4 any losses (including without limitation Employment Liabilities and Employment Costs) arising out of or in connection with any error or omission in the Employee Liabilities Information.

17. **No Waiver**

No failure or delay by either Party in exercising any of its rights under the Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of that right, and no waiver by either Party of a breach of any provision of the Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision.

18. **Further Assurance**

Each Party shall execute and do all such further deeds, documents and things as may be necessary to carry the provisions of the Agreement into full force and effect.

19. **Costs**

Subject to any provisions to the contrary each Party shall pay its own costs of and incidental to the negotiation, preparation, execution and carrying into effect of the Agreement.

20. **Set-Off**

Neither Party shall be entitled to set-off any sums in any manner from payments due or sums received in respect of any claim under the Agreement or any other agreement at any time.

21. **Assignment and Sub-Contracting**

21.1 Aquaflow may assign, novate, sub-licence or otherwise transfer this Agreement in part or in its entirety without the consent of the Customer to any third party it may choose.

21.2 The Client shall not assign, novate, mortgage, charge (otherwise than by floating charge) or sub-licence or otherwise delegate any of its rights, or sub-contract or otherwise delegate any of its obligations under this Agreement.

21.3 Aquaflow shall be entitled to perform any of the obligations to be undertaken by it through any sub-contractor or any other member of its group. Any act or omission of a sub-contractor or other member of its group shall, for the purposes of the Agreement, be deemed to be an act or omission of Aquaflow.

22. Time

22.1 The times and dates referred to in the Agreement shall be for guidance only and shall not be of the essence of the Agreement and may be varied by mutual agreement between the Parties.

23. Relationship of the Parties

Nothing in the Agreement shall constitute or be deemed to constitute a partnership, joint venture, agency or other fiduciary relationship between the Parties other than the contractual relationship expressly provided for in the Agreement.

24. Non-Solicitation

24.1 Neither Party shall, for the term of the Agreement and for a period of 6 months after its termination or expiry, employ or contract the services of any person who is or was employed or otherwise engaged by the other Party at any time in relation to the Agreement without the express written consent of that Party.

24.2 Neither Party shall, for the term of the Agreement and for a period of 6 months after its termination or expiry, solicit or entice away from the other Party any customer or client where any such solicitation or enticement would cause damage to the business of that Party without the express written consent of that Party.

25. Third Party Rights

25.1 A person who is not a party to the Agreement shall not have any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any of the provisions of the Agreement.

25.2 No consent of any person who is not a party to the Agreement shall be required in order to rescind or vary the Agreement or any provision of it.

26. Notices

26.1 All notices under the Agreement shall be in writing and be deemed duly given if signed by, or on behalf of, a duly authorised officer of the Party giving the notice.

26.2 Notices shall be deemed to have been duly given:

26.2.1 when delivered, if delivered by courier or other messenger (including registered mail) during normal business hours of the recipient; or

26.2.2 when sent, if transmitted by e-mail and a successful return receipt is generated; or

26.2.3 on the fifth business day following mailing, if mailed by national ordinary mail, postage prepaid; or

26.2.4 on the tenth business day following mailing, if mailed by airmail, postage prepaid.

In each case notices shall be addressed to the most recent address, or e-mail address notified to the other Party.

27. Entire Agreement

27.1 The Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to its subject matter and may not be modified except by an instrument in writing signed by the duly authorised representatives of the Parties.

27.2 Each Party shall acknowledge that, in entering into the Agreement, it does not rely on any representation, warranty or other provision except as expressly provided in these Terms and Conditions, and all conditions, warranties or other terms implied by statute or common law are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law.

28. Counterparts

The Agreement may be entered into in any number of counterparts and by the Parties to it on separate counterparts each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all the counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

29. Severance

In the event that one or more of the provisions of the Agreement and/or of these Terms and Conditions is found to be unlawful, invalid or otherwise unenforceable, that / those provision(s) shall be deemed severed from the remainder of the Agreement and/or these Terms and Conditions. The remainder of the Agreement and/or these Terms and Conditions shall be valid and enforceable.

30. Dispute Resolution

30.1 The Parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute arising out of or relating to the Agreement through negotiations between their appointed representatives who have the authority to settle such disputes.

30.2 If negotiations under Clause 30.1 of these Terms and Conditions do not resolve the matter within 10 business days of receipt of a written invitation to negotiate, the parties will attempt to resolve the dispute through mediation in accordance with the Centre of Effective Dispute Resolution ("CEDR") Rules (as applicable at the commencement date of the mediation).

30.3 The mediator shall be appointed by mutual agreement between the Parties. In the event the Parties fail to agree on the appointment of a mediator within 10 business days of referring the dispute to mediation, either party may, upon giving notice to the other, refer the matter to CEDR to appoint a mediator in accordance with the Model Mediation Procedure.

30.4 Until the Parties have completed the steps referred to in Clauses 30.1 and 28.2, and have failed to resolve the dispute, neither Party may commence formal legal proceedings or arbitration except that either Party may at any time:

30.4.1 seek interim injunctive relief from the courts; and



30.4.2 save where any relevant invoice is subject to a good faith dispute (which shall be dealt with in accordance with the foregoing), commence proceedings or take any other enforcement action in connection with any unpaid invoice.

30.5 Each Party shall bear their own cost in relation the mediation procedure.

31. Law and Jurisdiction

31.1 The Agreement and these Terms and Conditions (including any non-contractual matters and obligations arising therefrom or associated therewith) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of England and Wales.

31.2 Subject to the provisions of Clause 30 of these Terms and Conditions, any dispute, controversy, proceedings or claim between the Parties relating to the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions (including any non-contractual matters and obligations arising therefrom or associated therewith) shall fall within the jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.