



Terms and Conditions of Business 04/05

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1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In these Terms of Business the following definitions apply:

“**Assignment**” means the period during which the Temporary Worker is supplied to render services to the Client.
 “**Client**” means the person, firm or corporate body together with any subsidiary or associated company as defined by the Companies Act 1985 to whom the Temporary Worker is supplied or introduced.

“The Employment Business” means Backline Logistic Support Services Ltd of 1 Midvale Road, Paignton Devon TQ4 5BD.
 “**Engages/Engaged /Engagement**” means the engagement, employment or use of the Temporary Worker Directly by the Client or any third party or through any other employment business on a permanent or temporary basis, whether under a contract of service or for services; an agency, license, franchise or partnership arrangement; or any other engagement; directly or through a limited company of which the Temporary Worker is an officer or employee

“**Temporary Worker**” Means the individual who is introduced by the Employment Business to render services to the Client.

“**Transfer Fee**” means the fee payable in accordance with clause 7.1 below and Regulation 10 of the Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses Regulations 2003.

“**Introduction Fee**” Means the fee payable in accordance with clause 7.2 below and Regulation 10 of the Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses Regulations 2003.

“**Introduction**” means (a) the Client’s interview of a Temporary Worker in person or by telephone, following the Client’s instruction to the Employment Business to supply a Temporary Worker, or (b) the passing to the Client of a curriculum vitae or information which identifies the Temporary Worker and which leads to an Engagement of the Temporary Worker.

“**Remuneration**” includes base salary or fees, guaranteed and/or anticipated bonus and commission earnings, allowances, inducement payments, the benefit of a company car and all other payments and taxable (and, where applicable, non-taxable) emoluments payable to or receivable by the Temporary Worker for services rendered to or on behalf of the Client or any third party. Unless the context otherwise requires, references to the singular included the plural. The headings contained in these terms are for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation.

2. THE CONTRACT

2.1 These Terms constitute the contract between the Employment Business and the Client for the supply of the Temporary Worker’s services by the Employment Business to the Client and are deemed to be accepted by the Client by virtue of its request for, interview with or Engagement of the Temporary Worker or the passing of any information about the Temporary Worker to any third party following an Introduction.

2.2 These terms contain the entire agreement between the parties and unless otherwise agreed in writing by a director of the Employment Business, these terms prevail over any terms of business or purchase conditions put forward by the Client.

2.3 No variation or alteration to these terms shall be valid unless the details of such variation are agreed between a director of the Employment Business and the Client and are set out in writing and a copy of the varied terms is given to the Client stating the date on or after which such varied terms shall apply.

3. CHARGES

3.1 The Client agrees to pay such charges of the Employment Business as shall be notified to and agreed with the Client. The charges are calculated according to the number of hours worked by the Temporary Worker (to the nearest quarter hour) and comprise mainly the Temporary Worker’s pay but also included the Employment Business’ commission calculated as a percentage of the Temporary Worker’s pay, employer’s National Insurance contributions and any travel, hotel or other expenses as may have been agreed with the Client or, if there is no such agreement, such expenses as are reasonable. VAT, if applicable, is payable on the entirety of these charges.

3.2 The charges are invoiced to the Client on a weekly basis and are payable within 28 days. The Employment Business reserves the right to charge interest on any overdue amounts at the rate of 4% per annum above the base rate from time to time of the R B S PLC from the due date until the date of payment.

3.3 There are no rebates payable in respect of the charges of the

Employment Business.

3.4 In the event of the Client becoming insolvent, placed under receivership or liquidation, the Client agrees to preferential creditor status as to the wage and N I Contribution element of the Employment Business charges that are unpaid.

4. INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED

4.1 When making an introduction of a Temporary Worker to the Client the Employment Business shall inform the client of the identity of the Temporary Worker together with the Temporary Worker’s experience, training, qualifications, authorisation by any professional body or required by law to work in the position, as may be required and confirmation that the Temporary Worker is willing to work in the offered position. All Temporary Workers supplied by the Employment Business are engaged under a contract for services.

4.2 The Employment Business will identify the Temporary Worker in accordance with checks required under section 8 of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996 and the Immigration (Restrictions on Employment) Order 2004 and will verify their entitlement to take up employment within the United Kingdom.

5. TIMESHEETS

5.1 At the end of each week of an Assignment (or at the end of the Assignment where it is for a period of one week or less) the Client shall sign the Employment Business timesheet verifying the number of hours worked by the Temporary Worker during that week.

5.2 Signature of the timesheet by the Client is confirmation of the number of hours worked. If the Client is unable to sign a timesheet produced for authentication by the Temporary Worker because the Client disputes the hours claimed, the Client shall inform the Employment Business as soon as is reasonably practicable and shall co-operate fully and in a timely fashion with the Employment Business to enable the Employment Business to establish what hours, if any, were worked by the Temporary Worker. Failure to sign the timesheet does not absolve the Client’s obligation to pay the charges in respect of the hours worked

5.3 The Client shall not be entitled to decline to sign a timesheet on the basis that he is dissatisfied with the work performed by the temporary Worker. In cases of unsuitable work the Client should apply the provision of clause 9.1 below.

6. PAYMENT OF THE TEMPORARY WORKER

6.1 The Employment Business assumes responsibility for paying the Temporary Worker and where appropriate, for the deduction and payment of National insurance Contributions and PAYE Income Tax applicable to the Temporary Worker pursuant to section 44-47 of the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 (See Clause 3.4)

7. TRANSFER AND INTRODUCTION FEES

7.1 In the event of the Engagement by the Client of a Temporary Worker supplied by the Employment Business for an Assignment either (1) directly or (2) pursuant to being supplied by another employment business, within either

- The duration of the Assignment;
- 14 Weeks from the start of the Assignment (each new Assignment where there has been a break of more than 42 days (6 weeks) since the end of a previous Assignment shall also be considered to be the “first Assignment” for the purposes); Or
- 8 Weeks from the day after the last day the

Temporary Worker worked on the Assignment. The Client shall be liable, to either:

a) Subject to electing upon giving 7 days notice, an extended period of hire of the Temporary Worker being 13 weeks during which the Client shall pay the current hourly charge agreed pursuant to clauses 3.1 for each hour the Temporary Worker is so employed or supplied or

b) A Transfer Fee calculated as follow: 15% of the Remuneration applicable during the first 12 months of the Engagement or, if the actual amount of the Remuneration is not known, the hourly charges agreed pursuant to clause 3.1 multiplied by 250. No refund of the Transfer Fee will be paid in the event that the Engagement subsequently terminates. VAT is payable in addition to any fee due. However, where the Client does not give such notice before the Temporary Worker is Engaged the parties agree that the Transfer Fee shall be due.

7.2 In the event that there is an Introduction of a Temporary Worker

to the Client which does not result in the supply of that Temporary Worker by the Employment Business to that Client, but which leads to an Engagement of the Temporary Worker by the Client either directly or pursuant to being supplied by another employment business within 6 months from the date of Introduction the Client shall be liable, to either

a) Subject to electing upon giving 7 days notice, a period of hire of the Temporary Worker being 13 weeks during which the Client shall pay the hourly charges agreed pursuant to clause 3.1 above for each hour the Temporary Worker is employed or supplied; or

b) An Introduction Fee calculated as follows: 15% of the Remuneration applicable during the first 12 months of the Engagement or if the actual amount of the Remuneration is not known the hourly charges agreed pursuant to clause 3.1 multiplied by 250. No refund of the Introduction Fee will be paid in the event that the Engagement subsequently terminates. VAT is payable in addition to any fee due.

However, where the Client does not give such notice before the Temporary Worker is Engaged the parties agree that the Transfer Fee shall be due.

7.3 If the Client elects for an extended period of hire, as set out above, but before the end of such period Engages the Temporary Worker supplied by the Employment Business either directly or pursuant to being supplied by another employment business or the Temporary Worker chooses not to be supplied for an extended period of hire, the Introduction Fee calculated in accordance with either 7.1 (b) or 7.2 (b) may be charged, reduced by such percentage to reflect the period of extended hire already undertaken by the Temporary Worker and paid for by the Client.

7.4 In the event that a Temporary Worker supplied to a client is introduced by the Client to a third party which results in the Engagement of the Temporary Worker by the third party within either:

- The duration of the Assignment;
- 14 Weeks from the start of the first Assignment (each new Assignment where there has been a break of more than 42 days (6 weeks) since the end of the previous Assignment shall also be considered to be the “first Assignment” for these purposes); Or
- 8 weeks from the days after the last day the Temporary Worker worked on the Assignment;

The Client shall be liable to pay a Transfer Fee calculated as follows: 15% of the Remuneration applicable during the first 12 months of the Engagement or, if the actual amount of the Remuneration is not known the hourly charges agreed pursuant to clause 3.1 multiplied by 250. No refund of the Transfer Fee will be paid in the event that the Engagement subsequently terminates. VAT is payable in addition to any fee due.

8 LIABILITY

8.1 Whilst every effort is made by the Employment Business to give satisfaction to the Client by ensuring reasonable standards of skills, integrity and reliability from Temporary Worker and further to provide them in accordance with the Client’s booking details, the Employment Business is not liable for any loss, expense, damage or delay arising from any failure to provide any Temporary Worker for all or part of the period of booking or from the negligence, dishonesty, misconduct or lack of skill of the temporary worker. For the avoidance of doubt, the Employment Business does not exclude liability for death or personal injury arising from its own negligence.

8.2 Temporary Workers supplied by the Employment Business are Engaged under contracts for services. They are not the employees of the Employment Business but are deemed to be under the supervision, direction and control of the Client from the time they report to take up duties and for the duration of the Assignment. The Client agrees to be responsible for all acts, errors or omissions of the Temporary Worker, whether wilful, negligent or otherwise as though the Temporary Worker was on the payroll of the Client. The Client will also comply in all respects with all statutes including for the avoidance of doubt, the working Time Regulations, Health and Safety at Work Act etc, by-laws, codes of practice and legal requirements to which the Client is ordinarily subject in respect of the Client’s own staff (excluding the matters specifically mentioned in Clause 6 above) including in particular the provision of adequate Employer’s and public Liability Insurance cover for the Temporary Worker during all Assignments.

8.3 The Client shall advise the Employment Business of any special health and safety matter about which the Employment Business is required to inform the Temporary Worker and about any requirements imposed by law or by any professional body, which must be satisfied if the Temporary Worker is to fill the Assignment. The Client will assist the Employment Business in complying with the Employment Business duties under the Working Time Regulations by supplying any relevant information about the Assignment requested by the Employment Business and the Client will not do anything to cause the Employment Business to be in breach of its obligations under these Regulations. Where the Client requires or may require the services of a Temporary Worker for more than 48 hours in any week, the Client must notify the Employment Business of this requirement before the commencement of that week.

8.4 The Client undertakes that it knows of no reason why it would be detrimental to the interests of the Temporary Worker for the Temporary Worker to fill the Assignment.

8.5 The Client shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Employment Business against any costs, claims or liabilities incurred by the Employment Business arising out of any Assignment or arising out of any non-compliance with clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and/or as a result of any breach of these Terms by the Client.

8.6 The Client shall accept exclusive responsibility for compliance with all statutory and common law obligations in relation to the Assignment and in particular (but without limitation) for the maintenance, safety and insurance of any vehicles used by the Assignee and duty of care owed by an employer to an employee in relation to the performance of the Assignment by the Assignee.

Assess and arrange appropriate insurance against any risk which may arise during the Assignment and in particular against any loss damage injury liability or expense caused by the Assignee.

8.7 The Client shall maintain a policy of motor insurance to cover the risk of death or bodily injury to third parties and damage to the property of third parties and damage to the Vehicle howsoever caused. (A comprehensive motor insurance policy) Immediately notify the Employment Business of any personal injury suffered by the assignee during the Assignment and provide a written report of the circumstances and such further details and information as Employment may reasonably require.

9 TERMINATION

9.1 The Client undertakes to supervise the Temporary Worker sufficiently to ensure the Client’s satisfaction with the Temporary Worker’s standards of workmanship. If the Client reasonably considers that the services of the Temporary Worker are unsatisfactory, the Client may terminate the Assignment either by instructing the Temporary Worker to leave the Assignment immediately, or by directing the Employment Business to remove the Temporary Worker. The Employment Business may, in such circumstances, reduce or cancel the charges for the time worked by that Temporary worker, provided that the Assignment terminates: -

a) Within four hours of the Temporary Worker commencing the Assignment where the booking is for more than seven hours, or

b) Within two hours for booking of seven hours or less. And also provided that notification of the unsuitability of the Temporary Worker is confirmed in writing to the Employment Business within 48 hours of the termination of the Assignment.

9.2 Either the Client, the Employment Business or the Temporary Worker may terminate an Assignment at any time without prior notice and without liability.

9.3 The Client shall notify the Employment Business immediately and without delay and in any event within 24 hours if the Temporary Worker fails to attend work or notifies the Client that the Temporary Worker is unable to attend work for any reason.

9.4 The Employment Business shall notify the Client immediately if it receives or otherwise obtains information which gives it reasonable grounds to believe that a Temporary Worker supplied to the Client is unsuitable for the Assignment and shall terminate the Assignment under the provisions of clause 9.2.

10 LAW

10.1 These Terms are governed by the law of England & Wales and are subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.