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General Terms and Conditions

1A Definitions and Interpretation

In this Agreement, the following definitions apply:

“Affiliate” means any legal entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with a Party.

“Agreement” means this Products and Services Agreement which consists of these General Terms and Conditions, any Schedules and any Orders.

“Applicable Law” means the laws of England and Wales and any other laws and regulations that apply to providing or receiving a Service, including:

(a) the Bribery Act 2010 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 of the United States of America; and
(b) any relevant export laws and regulations, including ones in the United States of America.

“BT Data Protection Rules” means the cover sheet.

“BT Equipment” means equipment (including any software) owned or licensed by BT and placed on the Customer’s premises by BT for the provision of a Service.

“BT Group” means BT Group plc and its Affiliates;

“BT Parties” means employees, agents and subcontractors of BT or its Affiliates.

“BT Privacy Policy” means the policy that BT has implemented which sets out in the Order that BT will provide the Services.

“Business Day” means any day which is customarily regarded in the country or locality in which the Products or Services are being provided as a day when business is undertaken, excluding national, public, or bank holidays. If an obligation is to be performed on a day that is not a Business Day, the obligation must be performed by the following Business Day.

“Charges” means the fees payable for Products or Services as set out in the Order or the applicable Schedule.

“Claim” means any legal claims, actions or proceedings against one of us, whether threatened or actual, whether by a third party or the other Party to this Agreement.

“Confidential Information” means all documentation, technical information, software, know how, business information or other materials (whether written, oral or in electronic form) concerning the business of a Party that are disclosed in confidence by that Party to the other during the term of this Agreement.

“Content” means information made available, displayed or transmitted in connection with a Service (including information made available by means of an HTML “hyperlink”), third party posting or similar means) including all IPR contained in it, as well as the contents of any bulletin boards or chat forums, and all upgrades, updates, modifications and other versions.

“Credit Agency” means Experian, Equifax and Callcredit.

“Customer” means the customer entity that signs the cover sheet.

“Customer Equipment” means equipment (including software), other than BT Equipment, used by the Customer in connection with a Service.

“Customer Personal Data” means only the proportion of Personal Data of which only the Customer is the Data Controller and which BT needs to Process on the Customer’s behalf, as a Data Processor in providing the Services to the Customer under the Agreement.

“Data Protection Legislation” means collectively {i} any applicable laws of the European Union, (ii) any applicable local laws relating to the Processing of Personal Data and the protection of an individual’s privacy, (iii) the GDPR, and (iv) any binding guidance or code of practice issued by a Supervisory Authority;

“GDPR” means the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679, and any amendment or replacement to it, (including any corresponding or equivalent national law or regulation that implements the GDPR);

“General Terms and Conditions” means these Clauses 1 to 20.

“IPR” means any patent, copyright, design, database right, design right, community design right, semiconductor topography right, registered design, rights in confidential information and know-how, or any similar right in any part of the world and shall include any applications for the registration of any such rights capable of registration in any part of the world.


“Minimum Period of Service” means a period of time beginning on the OSD during which a Service will be provided by BT as specified in a Schedule or Order.

“Operational Service Date” or “OSD” means the date on which any Service or part of a Service is first made available to the Customer by BT.

“Order” means an order under this Agreement for Products or Services signed by both Parties.

“Party” means either BT or the Customer and “Parties” means both BT and the Customer.

“Products” means equipment and/or Software purchased by the Customer under this Agreement as set out in an Order.

“Regulated Service” means, in the UK, any Services that are subject to: (i) conditions that are imposed by Ofcom on BT either specifically or generally under Section 45 of the Communications Act 2003 and any notifications, determinations, directions, decisions and the like related thereto; (ii) a specific agreement against one of us, whether threatened or actual, whether by a third party or the other Party to this Agreement.

“Service” means each service provided by BT under this Agreement as described in a Schedule, Service Annex and/or Order.

“Service Annex” means any annexure to any Schedule describing the Products or Services.

“Software” means the software to be licensed to the Customer as specified in an Order or Schedule at which BT provides a Product or Service.

“Sub-Processor” means a BT Affiliate or BT’s supplier or subcontractor that BT engages to Process Customer Personal Data for the purposes of the Agreement.

“User” means any person who is permitted by the Customer to use or access a Service or Product.

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In this Agreement, headings and bold type are for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular include the plural and vice-versa, and the term “includes” is not a word of limitation.

1 Order of Precedence
In the event of a conflict among the documents constituting this Agreement, the order of precedence shall be as follows, in decreasing order:
(a) any provisions (including any tariffs) that apply to Regulated Services set out in a Schedule;
(b) Service Annexes;
(c) Schedules (excluding the Service Annexes);
(d) these General Terms and Conditions; and
(e) Orders.

2 Effective Date
This Agreement is effective when executed by authorised representatives of both Parties and shall continue until terminated in accordance with its terms.

3 BT’s Obligations
3.1 BT shall provide the Products and Services to the Customer in accordance with this Agreement.
3.2 BT shall provide each Service from the OSD for the duration as set out in the applicable Schedule or Order.
3.3 BT shall use reasonable endeavours to meet any performance dates or service levels specified in this Agreement but, unless otherwise expressly agreed within a Schedule, all timescales shall be estimates only.
3.4 BT shall comply with all reasonable health and safety rules and regulations and security requirements that apply at a Site that have been notified to BT in writing. BT shall not be liable if, as a result of any such compliance, it is in breach of any of its obligations under this Agreement.
3.5 Provided that BT gives the Customer as much notice as reasonably practicable, BT may occasionally:
(a) suspend a Service in an event of emergency and/or to safeguard the integrity and security of its network and/or repair or enhance the performance of its network;
(b) for operational reasons, change the technical specification of the Service, provided that any such change does not materially decrease or impair performance of the Service; or
(c) provide an alternative, equivalent service, where it becomes necessary to do so.
3.6 BT shall implement reasonable precautions to prevent any unauthorised access by third parties to any part of the telecommunications network used to provide the Services to the Customer, but BT shall not be liable for any loss or damage sustained by the Customer in the event of any unauthorised access in spite of BT’s reasonable precautions.

4 The Customer’s Obligations
4.1 The Customer shall ensure that all preparatory work, information, items or consents required in order to supply the Products and/or Services are completed, made available or obtained at the Customer’s own cost in sufficient time to allow BT to complete its work and deliver the relevant Products and/or Services.
4.2 If BT must change a Product or Service due to incomplete or inaccurate information provided by the Customer, BT may, in its reasonable discretion, apply additional one-time and/or recurring Charges.
4.3 The Customer will comply with BT’s reasonable requests that are necessary for reasons of health and safety, environment, sustainability, security or quality or performance of any Products and/or Services.
4.4 The Customer will, upon reasonable notice from BT, allow BT and BT Parties access to the Sites as may be reasonably necessary for the performance by BT of its obligations under this Agreement, including the installation or maintenance of BT Equipment or Products and the recovery or removal of any BT Equipment.

4.5 If BT is required to install any BT Equipment or Products at a Site, the Customer will, prior to installation and at its own expense:
(a) obtain all necessary consents, including consents for any necessary alterations to buildings and any consents required for the installation and use of any BT Equipment or the relevant Products over the Customer’s network or at the Customer’s Site;
(b) permit access to BT and any BT Parties to the relevant Site as may be required by BT or BT Parties to install the BT Equipment or Products;
(c) provide a suitable and safe working environment, including all necessary trunking, conduits and cable trays, in accordance with the relevant installation standards;
(d) provide any electricity and telecommunication connection points required by BT;
(e) provide any openings in buildings required to connect such BT Equipment or Products to appropriate telecommunications facilities;
(f) provide internal cabling between the BT Equipment and any Customer Equipment, as appropriate;
(g) take up or remove any fitted or fixed floor coverings, ceiling tiles and partition covers in time to allow BT to undertake any necessary installation or maintenance Services and carry out afterwards any work that may be required to make good any cosmetic damage caused during the installation or maintenance Services; and
(h) ensure that any floor loading limits will not be exceeded. The above actions must be completed in advance of any installation work by BT; otherwise the provisions in Clause 4.2 shall apply.
4.6 If the Customer delays or fails to perform its obligations under this Clause 4, then at BT’s option, BT may: (i) change the delivery date or cancel the relevant Order(s) and charge the Customer for any applicable termination Charges; or (ii) invoice the Customer for any reasonable Charges incurred for any work that is performed by BT on behalf of the Customer and that is directly attributable to the Customer’s failure to perform or delay where such work is necessary to provide the Products and/or the Services. Except in the case of an emergency, BT shall seek to notify the Customer in advance of its intention to invoke this Clause.

5 Orders
5.1 Unless otherwise stated in a Schedule or Order, the Customer may cancel the delivery of Products or provision of Services before the relevant OSD on payment of any cancellation charges by way of compensation set out in the applicable Schedule or Order or, if none are specified, as reasonably imposed by BT. The Customer cannot cancel the delivery of any Products that have been ordered or shipped from a third party manufacturer unless otherwise agreed with that third party manufacturer.
5.2 BT may accept instructions from a person who BT reasonably believes is acting with the Customer’s authority.

6 Charges
6.1 The Customer shall pay all Charges for the Products and Services within thirty (30) days of the date of BT’s invoice, without any set-off, counterclaim or deduction. Where applicable, BT may set-off any amounts it owes to the Customer against any amounts owed by the Customer to BT under this Agreement. BT may, in its discretion, add interest charges, from the due date, to any past due amounts at a per annum rate of seven (7) percentage points above the base lending rate of the European Central Bank,
may, at BT's option, be treated as a material breach under Clause 13. Additionally, BT reserves the right to: [a] restrict, suspend or terminate provision of the relevant Service and BT shall be released from its obligations under this Agreement with respect to such Service until any balance due is paid; and [b] to recover any BT Equipment; where such recovery takes place, the Customer shall pay to BT such recovery Charges as may be specified in the applicable Schedule or as otherwise notified by BT to the Customer.

6.8 The Customer will not withhold payment due under an invoice for failure by BT to include the Customer references on the invoice.

6.9 Where the Customer makes an aggregated payment in respect of more than one invoice, the Customer shall submit a remittance slip to show amounts paid in relation to each individual invoice.

6.10 BT may automatically and without notification include an annual increase to the Charges (rounded to the nearest whole pence) equal to the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rate figure published by the Office for National Statistics in January of that year (ignoring any negative figures).

6.11 It is agreed that the change to the Charges as a result of the Annual Price Increase will not cause the Customer material detriment, nor provide the Customer with the right to terminate the Agreement, without paying Termination Charges (if they would normally be applicable).

6.12 If the Customer does not perform the obligations set out in the Agreement BT will charge the Customer for any additional costs BT incurs (including supplier costs) that are the result of the failure.

6.13 If the Customer causes a delay during the commissioning of the Service BT will commence charging the Customer the Charges for the Service as if BT fully installed the Service from the agreed planned delivery date. Alternatively, the Parties may agree: [a] a new delivery date for the Services together with compensation for any additional costs BT incurs (including supplier costs) resulting from the change in delivery date; or [b] to cancel the Order subject to the Customer paying any costs BT incurs as result of such cancellation.

6.14 BT will seek to notify the Customer in advance of its intention to invoke Clauses 6.12 and 6.13 above.

6.15 BT may adjust the Charges to reflect changes in charges BT incurs which are beyond BT's control, for example where there is a change in Applicable Law. Price adjustments will be effective 30 days from the billing period following written notice to the Customer.

6.16 Where there is not a rate card provided as part of an Order and the Customer would like to order new or additional Services (including equipment and software) under this Agreement, BT will provide the Customer with a price proposal (or quote) which will be subject to limited validity period as set out in such BT price proposal. Where the Services are ordered by the Customer after this date and the costs BT incurs from suppliers would have changed, BT reserves the right to amend the pricing to reflect the new supplier costs.

6.17 If a rate card is provided in an Order for access, equipment and software (including licences and maintenance) based on prices from suppliers and the supplier changes these prices this shall be subject to limited validity period as set out in the rate card. Once the validity period of the rate card has expired, BT may adjust the rate card Charges to reflect changes in charges BT incurs from the supplier. This will not affect the Charge for any access, equipment or software that has already been ordered prior to BT notifying the Customer of the change.
6.18 At the end of the Service BT has the right to invoice the Customer a one-off de-installation Charge for the recovery and disposal of the BT equipment and disconnecting the Service. The de-installation Charge will be either:

(a) agreed on the Order; or
(b) if none was agreed on the Order - equal to the rates for installation.

7 Use of the Service

7.1 The obligations of BT under this Agreement are solely to the Customer for account to any third party. The Customer may use the Service for the Customer’s own business purposes, provided that the Customer: (a) complies with, and ensures that any User complies with the terms of any applicable legislation and any licence applicable to the Customer in any country where the Service is provided; (b) shall remain responsible for: (i) access and use of the Service by Users; (ii) all Charges incurred in connection with the Services; and (iii) compliance with this Agreement by the Customer and Users;

7.2 The Customer shall indemnify BT, BT Affiliates and BT Parties against any Claims, losses, costs and liabilities arising from any Claims by any third party, including Users, in connection with the use of the Product or Services in breach of Clause 7.1.

8 Connection of Customer Equipment to the Products and/or Services

8.1 The Customer is responsible for the provision, installation, configuration, monitoring and maintenance of any Customer Equipment connected to or used with the Product and/or Service is connected and used in accordance with any instructions and safety and security procedures applicable to the use of that Customer Equipment.

8.2 The Customer shall ensure that any Customer Equipment attached (directly or indirectly) to the Product and/or Service by the Customer is technically compatible with the Service and approved for that purpose under any applicable law or regulation. BT does not make any commitment with respect to the interoperability between the Product and/or Service and Customer Equipment. In the case of Products sold for the purpose of the Customer’s use with the Service, the Customer may rely upon BT’s representations as to such compatibility and compliance, as of the date of provision.

9 BT Equipment and Products

9.1 Risk of loss of the BT Equipment and Products will pass to the Customer upon delivery, whether or not the BT Equipment or Products have been installed. Title to Products shall pass to the Customer on payment of the applicable Charges. In relation to a cross-country border supply of Products, title will pass to the Customer upon delivery to a common carrier in accordance with the Free Carrier Alongside ‘FCA’ named place of delivery shipping point (as that term is defined by Incoterms 2010).

9.2 The Customer will not move, add to, modify or in any way interfere with the BT Equipment, nor permit any other person (other than a person authorised by BT) to do so. The Customer will be liable to BT for any loss of or damage to the BT Equipment, except where the loss or damage is due to fair wear and tear or is caused by BT or any BT Party. If the Customer moves or changes the location of any BT Equipment without BT’s prior written consent, BT may recover any failed visits as a consequence or additional cost or expense incurred by BT as a result of any lost or wasted time locating the BT Equipment.

9.3 Upon termination of this Agreement, if the Customer wishes to dispose of any Products, then it shall notify BT accordingly and allow BT to collect such Products if BT elects to do so.

9.4 In the event that the Customer fails to notify BT in accordance with Clause 9.4 and disposes of the Products itself, the Customer shall indemnify BT against all Claims, losses, costs, expenses and liabilities (including any fines levied upon BT) incurred by BT as a result of the Customer’s breach of that Clause.

9.5 The Parties agree that the UN Convention on the Sales of Goods shall not apply to this Agreement.

10 Confidentiality

10.1 Each Party (“Recipient”) shall keep in confidence all Confidential information of the other Party (“Discloser”) obtained under or in connection with this Agreement and will not disclose it other than in confidence to (a) the Recipient’s employees or employees of the Recipient’s Affiliates; or (b) the Recipient’s professional advisors; or (c) where the Recipient is BT, employees of BT’s subcontracts, in each case only to those who have a need to know such Confidential Information and to the extent necessary for performance of this Agreement or the use of the Services and/or Products.

10.2 This Clause 10 shall not apply to information that is: (a) in the public domain other than in breach of this Agreement; (b) in the possession of the Recipient before such divulgation has taken place; (c) obtained from a third party who is free to divulge the same; or (d) developed by the receiving party independently of and without access to Confidential Information obtained under this Agreement.

10.3 If either BT or the Customer receives a demand from a lawful authority, regulatory authority or court to disclose any Confidential Information provided to it by the other, it may comply with such demand if it has (a) satisfied itself that the demand is lawful; (b) where possible, given the other party the maximum written notice permissible under the demand in which to make representations; and (c) marked the required information as the Confidential Information of the other party.

10.4 The receiving Party must comply with this Clause 10 for a period of three (3) years following the termination of this Agreement.

10.5 The Parties acknowledge that a violation of this Clause 10 may cause irreparable harm to the disclosing Party, for which monetary damages would be inadequate, and injunctive relief may be sought for a breach of this Clause 10.

11 Data Protection

11.1 In this Agreement, the following terms each have the meaning given to it in the GDPR: “Binding Corporate Rules”, “Controller”, “Data Subject”, “Personal Data”, “Personal Data Breach”, “Processing”, “Processor” and “Supervisory Authority”.

11.2 Notwithstanding any other provision in the Agreement, for BT to provide a Service, Personal Data may be:

11.2.1 used, managed, accessed, transferred or held on a variety of systems, networks and facilities [including databases] worldwide; or

11.2.2 transferred by BT worldwide to the extent necessary to allow BT to fulfil its obligations under this Agreement and the Customer appoints BT to perform each transfer in order to provide the Services provided that BT will rely on appropriate transfer mechanisms permitted by Data Protection Legislation, including:

(a) BT Group’s Binding Corporate Rules (for transfers among BT’s Affiliates); and

(b) agreements incorporating the relevant standard data protection clauses adopted by the European Commission.
11.3 BT will be either Controller, Processor or both under the Agreement depending on the type of Personal Data Processed and the purpose of the Processing.

11.4 If BT acts as a Controller:

11.4.1 BT may collect, Process, use or share Personal Data with BT Affiliates and Sub-Processors, within or outside the country of origin, in order to do any or all of the following:

(a) administer, track and fulfil Orders for the Service;
(b) implement the Service;
(c) manage and protect the security and resilience of any BT Equipment, the BT network and the Services;
(d) manage, track and resolve Incidents (as defined in the Schedule) with the Service as set out in the Schedule(s);
(e) administer access to online portals relating to the Service;
(f) compile, dispatch and manage the payment of invoices;
(g) manage the Agreement and resolve any disputes relating to it;
(h) respond to general queries relating to the Service or Agreement;
(i) comply with Applicable Law;

11.4.2 BT will Process the Personal Data in accordance with applicable Data Protection Legislation, and as set out in the BT Privacy Policy and, where applicable, BT Group’s Binding Corporate Rules; and

11.4.3 BT may, from time to time, contact the Customer Contact, or other network, IT or procurement manager involved in the procurement or management of the Service, to provide additional information concerning the Service, or other similar services.

11.5 If BT acts as a Processor:

11.5.1 the subject-matter, duration, nature and purpose of the Processing, the type of Customer Personal Data and categories of Data Subjects will be set out in the applicable Annex that can be found online at www.bt.com/terms; and

11.5.2 in order to perform its obligations under the Agreement, BT will:

(a) Process the Customer Personal Data on behalf of the Customer in accordance with the Customer’s documented instructions as set out in Clause 11.5.11, except where:

(i) Applicable Law requires BT to Process the Customer Personal Data otherwise, in which case, BT will notify the Customer of the change to the processing before Processing, unless to do so would be contrary to that Applicable Law on important grounds of public interest;
(ii) in BT’s reasonable opinion an additional instruction or a change to the instructions provided by the Customer in accordance with Clause 11.5.11 infringes the Data Protection Legislation and BT will inform the Customer of its opinion without undue delay and will not be required to comply with that instruction;
(b) to protect the Customer Personal Data against a Personal Data Breach, implement technical and organisational security measures, including those that may be set out in the Schedule, that are appropriate to the risk represented by BT’s Processing and the nature of the Customer Personal Data being Processed;
(c) provide notice to the Customer without undue delay after becoming aware of a Personal Data Breach affecting the Customer Personal Data;
(d) only use the Sub-Processors approved by the Customer by entering into the Agreement or in accordance with Clause 11.5.9; and

(e) assist the Customer in its compliance with the Data Protection Legislation, taking into account the nature of the Processing of the Customer Personal Data and the information available to BT, relating to:

(i) its obligation to respond to lawful requests from a Data Subject, to the extent practicable;
(ii) the security of the Processing of the Customer Personal Data;
(iii) notification of a Personal Data Breach affecting the Customer Personal Data to the Supervisory Authority or the Data Subjects; or
(iv) a data protection impact assessment as may be required by Article 35 of the GDPR and prior consultation with the Supervisory Authority, and the Customer will reimburse BT’s reasonable costs for this assistance except for the assistance set out in Clause 11.5.2(e)(iii) where a Personal Data Breach affecting the Customer Personal Data occurred as a direct result of a breach of BT’s obligations set out in Clause 11.5.2(b);

11.5.3 unless Applicable Law requires BT to store a copy of the Customer Personal Data, upon expiry or termination of the Agreement and at the Customer’s option, BT will delete or return the Customer Personal Data within a reasonable time period and the Customer will reimburse BT’s reasonable costs for this deletion or return of the Customer Personal Data;

11.5.4 BT will make available to the Customer and the Information demonstrating BT’s compliance with its obligations set out in Clause 11.5, and, subject to 30 days’ notice from the Customer, allow for and reasonably cooperate with the Customer (or a third party auditor appointed by the Customer) to audit this compliance at reasonable intervals (but not more than once per year), so long as:

(a) the audit will:

(i) not disrupt BT’s business;
(ii) be conducted during Business Days;
(iii) not interfere with the interests of BT’s other customers;
(iv) not cause BT to breach its confidentiality obligations with its other customers, suppliers or any other organisation; and
(v) not exceed a period of two successive Business Days;

(b) the Customer (or its third party auditor) will comply with BT’s relevant security policies and appropriate confidentiality obligations; and

(c) the Customer will reimburse BT’s reasonable costs associated with the audit; where BT conducts an audit of its Sub-Processors to demonstrate BT’s compliance with its obligations set out in Clauses 11.5, those of its Sub-Processors, 11.5.5. BT may demonstrate its compliance with its obligations set out in Clause 11.5 by adhering to an approved code of conduct, by obtaining an approved certification or by providing the Customer with an audit report issued by an independent third party auditor (provided that the Customer will comply with appropriate confidentiality obligations and not use this audit report for any other purpose);

11.5.6 BT will not disclose Customer Personal Data to a third party unless required for the performance of the Service, permitted under the Agreement or otherwise required by Applicable Law;

11.5.7 BT will ensure that persons authorised by BT to Process the Customer Personal Data will be bound by a duty of confidentiality;

11.5.8 BT may use Sub-Processors in accordance with Clause 18.3 and will ensure that data protection obligations in respect of Processing Customer Personal Data equivalent to those set out in Clause 11.5 will be imposed on any Sub-Processors;

11.5.9 BT will inform the Customer of proposed changes to BT’s Sub-Processors from time to time by either:

(a) providing the Customer with online notice of the intended changes at www.bt.com/terms and the Customer will have 30 days starting from the first Business Day of the calendar month following the date of the online notice to object to the change; or
11.5.10 the Customer may object to the use of a new Sub-Processor by giving notice in accordance with Clause 17 documenting material concerns that the Sub-Processor will not be able to comply with the Data Protection Legislation, and if such notice is received within the time required by Clause 11.5.9, both Parties will address the Customer’s objection in accordance with the process set out in Clause 16 and BT may use the relevant Sub-Processor to provide the Service until the objection is resolved in accordance with Clause 16.

11.5.11 the Agreement contains the Customer's complete instructions to BT for the Processing of Personal Data and any additional instructions or changes to the instructions will be incorporated into this Agreement in accordance with Clause 20.15. BT will take account of any resulting change in the Charges or the Service.

11.5.12 the Customer will comply with applicable Data Protection Legislation and will fulfil all the requirements necessary for the provision of the Service by BT, including providing any notifications and obtaining any regulatory approvals or consents required when sharing Personal Data with BT and any third party.

11.5.13 the Customer will only disclose to BT the Personal Data that BT requires to perform the Service.

11.6 If permitted by Applicable Law:

11.6.1 a Party in breach of the Data Protection Legislation or this Clause 11 will be liable to the other for any losses, costs and liabilities (including those arising from Claims) incurred or suffered by the other Party where those losses, costs and liabilities are caused by, or in connection with, that breach including where the Parties are jointly and severally liable; and

11.6.2 where the Parties are jointly and severally liable for a Claim caused by Processing neither Party will make any payment or any offer of payment to any Data Subject (including third parties acting on behalf of any Data Subject) in response to any Claim caused by or relating to the Processing of Personal Data, without the prior written agreement of the other Party.

11.7 Where each Party acts as a Controller in relation to the Processing of Personal Data under the Agreement, the Parties will not act as joint Controllers for the purposes of Article 26 of the GDPR in relation to such Processing.

11.8 If, in accordance with Clause 20.15, BT proposes amendments to the Agreement to reflect changes to BT’s security measures, policies and processes to enable BT to comply with the Data Protection Legislation, the, Customer will act reasonably and in good faith to negotiate those amendments in a timely manner with BT.

12 Intellectual Property Rights

12.1 All IPR of either Party either pre-existing or created by either Party during or arising from the performance of this Agreement shall remain the absolute property of that Party or its licensors.

12.2 Without prejudice to any open source software licence terms, which terms shall apply independent of this licence grant BT grants the Customer a non-transferable and non-exclusive licence to use in object code form, all Software and associated documentation that may be supplied by BT, subject to the Customer’s compliance with the Agreement, any third party terms and conditions that apply to the use of the Software, and associated documentation, solely as necessary for receipt or use of the Products or Services.

12.3 The Customer undertakes not to copy, decompile or modify or reverse engineer any Software or knowingly allow or permit anyone else to do so, except as expressly permitted by BT in writing or otherwise provided at law.

12.4 The term of any licence granted by BT under Clause 12.2 is coterminous with the term for the Service with which the Software is associated or in relation to which any Product is supplied.

12.5 Without prejudice to any open source Software that may be made available by BT to the Customer in connection with the delivery of the Services, BT will indemnify the Customer against all third party Claims arising from infringement of any third party’s IPR by the Customer’s receipt of any Products or Services only to the extent that the Customer promptly notifies BT in writing of any such Claim, that BT is given immediate and complete control of any such Claim, that the Customer does not make any public statements related to the Claim or in any way prejudice BT’s defence of such Claim, and that the Customer gives BT all reasonable assistance with such Claim. All costs incurred or recovered in such negotiations, litigation, and settlements shall be for BT’s account.

12.6 The indemnity set out in Clause 12.5 shall not apply to Claims arising from: (a) use of any BT Equipment, Products or any Software in conjunction or combination with other equipment or software or any other service not supplied by BT; (b) any unauthorised alteration or modification of the Service, Product or any Software; (c) Content, designs or specifications supplied by or on behalf of The Customer; or (d) use of the Service, any Product or any Software other than in accordance with this Agreement.

12.7 The Customer will indemnify and hold BT harmless against all such Claims, losses, costs and liabilities arising from the matters set out in Clause 12.6 (a), (b), (c) and (d) above that are attributable to the Customer or its agents or Users and will, immediately upon notification of any such Claim by BT, cease any activity that gave rise to the Claim.

12.8 If any Product or Service becomes, or BT believes it is likely to become, the subject of a Claim of infringement of any IPR as referred to in Clause 12.5, BT, at its option and expense, may: (a) secure for the Customer a right of continued use; or (b) modify or replace the Product or Service so that it is no longer infringing, provided that such modification or replacement shall not materially affect the performance of the Product or Service; or (c) refund the purchase price of the Product or Service.

12.9 The indemnity in Clause 12.5 sets out the Customer’s sole and exclusive remedy for Claims of infringement of intellectual property rights.

13 Termination of Service and the Agreement

13.1 Unless otherwise specified in a Schedule or Order, either Party may terminate this Agreement or any Service or Order, or part of, at any time after the Operational Service Date by giving ninety (90) days’ written notice to the other in accordance with Clause 17, provided that where the Customer exercises its rights under this Clause 13.1, the Customer shall be liable for any outstanding Charges for Products or Services received and any applicable termination compensation as set out in the applicable Schedule or Order.

13.2 Where the Agreement is terminated in accordance with Clause 13.5, the Party terminating may alternatively set off any amounts due under this Agreement or any other contract between the Parties.

13.3 Termination of any individual Service or Order will not affect the Parties’ rights and obligations with regard to any other Service or Order.

13.4 Either Party may immediately by notice terminate any affected Orders if one of the following events occurs: (a) the other Party commits a material breach and has failed to rectify the breach within thirty (30) days after the terminating Party has given its notice of default;
15 Force Majeure: Matters Beyond the Reasonable Control of Either Party

15.1 Neither Party shall be liable for failure or delay in the performance of its obligations caused by or resulting from force majeure including events that are unpredictable, unforeseeable or irresistible, such as any extremely severe weather, flood, landslide, earthquake, storm, lightning, fire, subsidence, epidemic, acts of terrorism, biological warfare, outbreak of military hostilities (whether or not war is declared), riot, explosions, strikes or other labour unrest, civil disturbance, sabotage, expropriation by governmental authorities, imposition of sanctions and any other act or event that is outside the reasonable control of the concerned Party whether similar or dissimilar to any of the foregoing.

15.2 If there is a force majeure event in accordance with Clause 15.1, the Party whose performance is affected by the force majeure event will:

15.2.1 take all reasonable steps to find a solution by which the Agreement may be performed despite the continuance of the force majeure event;

15.2.2 inform the other Party as soon as it reasonably can on the nature and extent of the event affecting the Service and the reasonable steps which are being taken to find a solution by which the Agreement may be performed despite the continuance of the force majeure event;

15.2.3 get a reasonable amount of extra time to perform the obligation that is affected by the force majeure event; and

15.2.4. still be liable for any breaches of the Agreement prior to the event where the other party has used their rights set out in Clause 13 to terminate for cause.

15.3 Where a BT Affiliate, subcontractor or supplier has invoked their force majeure rights under their contract with BT, BT will not be liable for failure or delay in the performance of its obligations to the Customer caused by or resulting from that BT Affiliate, subcontractor or supplier doing something or not doing something they need to do.

15.4 Nothing in this Clause 15 affects the Customer’s obligation to pay BT any amounts applicable under the Agreement on time and in the way described in Clause 6.

16 Dispute Resolution

The Parties will use all reasonable efforts to amicably resolve any dispute. The Parties will, at a minimum, use the following procedure in the event a dispute arises with respect to any aspect of this Agreement. Upon written notification by one Party to the other that a dispute exists, working level managers of the respective Parties will attempt in good faith to work out a resolution within thirty (30) days following the day of written notification of a dispute. If an agreement cannot be reached by the end of this period, the Parties shall prepare a document containing information that is designed to assist resolution of the dispute containing what has been agreed and what remains in dispute between them. No later than two weeks thereafter, or at some other time as mutually agreed by the Parties, representatives of the Parties at Vice President level or above shall meet to further attempt to resolve the matter or to agree on a course of action to resolve the matter. Such course of action may include use of formal dispute resolution processes, including but not limited to non-binding mediation or binding or non-binding arbitration. In the event that the Parties are unable to resolve the matter or agree on a course of action at this executive level within thirty (30) days, either Party shall have the right to pursue legal or equitable remedies as it sees fit. Nothing contained herein shall preclude either Party from seeking equitable relief at any time in a court having jurisdiction under the terms of this Agreement in the event that a risk of imminent harm to that Party exists and no appropriate remedy for such harm exists under the Agreement.
17 Notices

17.1 Except for notices given in accordance with Clause 3.5, all notices given under this Agreement shall be in writing and in English, unless the Parties agree otherwise or local law and regulations provide otherwise, and shall be sent by prepaid post, facsimile or by electronic mail to the other Party at the address, fax number or email address set out in these General Terms and Conditions, or any other address notified from time to time including as updated on an Order.

17.2 Notices given under this Agreement are deemed to be given by the sender and received by the addressee: (a) if sent by prepaid post, three (3) Business Days from and including the date of postage; or (b) if sent by facsimile, when transmitted to the addressee; but if transmission is on a day that is not a Business Day or after 4 p.m. in the addressee’s time zone, it is deemed to be duly given and received on the next Business Day; or (c) if sent by electronic mail, when sent to the addressee.

18 Assignment/Sub contracting

18.1 Either Party reserves the right to assign all or part of this Agreement at any time to any Affiliate, subject to providing the other Party prior written notice of such assignment. Any assignment to a party other than an Affiliate requires the prior written agreement of the other Party.

18.2 This Agreement will be binding on, and inure to the benefit of, the Parties and their successors and permitted assigns.

18.3 BT may subcontract the performance of any of its obligations under this Agreement, but without relieving BT from any of its obligations to the Customer. The Customer agrees and understands that it may need to interact directly with such Party for ordering, provisioning or maintaining the Products or Service as directed by BT.

18.4 The Parties acknowledge and agree that the BT Affiliates and Customer Affiliates may agree to (or where required by law, will) enter into Schedules or Orders under this Agreement for the provision of Products and/or Services in any country or region outside of Great Britain, and that in all such cases, upon execution of that Schedule or Order: (a) the provision of that Product and/or Service shall be deemed subcontracted by BT to that BT Affiliate, (b) the Parties shall have been deemed to have assigned the benefit received under this Agreement to their respective Affiliates in accordance with Clause 18.1, and (c) the Parties are the only persons who may enforce any and all rights arising out of or in connection with this Agreement and shall have sole conduct of all Claims involving any of their respective Affiliates.

19 Governing Law and Jurisdiction

This Agreement and any Claims or disputes arising out of, relating to or in connection with it, shall be governed by the laws of England and Wales. The Courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to determine any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement to which the Parties irrevocably submit.

20 Miscellaneous Provisions

20.1 Publicity: Neither Party may publish or use any advertising, sales promotions, press releases, announcements, or other publicity that relates to this Agreement or that uses the trademark, service mark, trade name, logo or other indicia of origin of the other Party or its Affiliates in connection with this Agreement or any Products or Services provided under this Agreement, without the prior written approval of the other Party which shall not unreasonably be withheld.

20.2 Customer Satisfaction Surveys: Each Party agrees to cooperate with the reasonable requirements of the other Party in relation to customer satisfaction surveys organised by or on behalf of that Party.

20.3 Legal and Regulatory Compliance:

20.3.1 Each Party will comply with all laws and regulations that apply to its activities under this Agreement, including any that apply to the Products and Services provided under this Agreement.

20.4 Anti-Corruption and Bribery Act Compliance: In connection with any actions or activities associated with this Agreement or in connection with the relationship between the Parties, neither Party shall engage in any unlawful trade practices or any other practices that are in violation of the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act of 2010, or any other law that prohibits bribery or similar activity. Each Party shall ensure that neither it nor its Affiliates, subcontractors and agents: either directly or indirectly, seek, receive, accept, give, offer, agree or promise to give any money, facilitation payment, or other thing of value from or to anyone (including, but not limited to government or corporate officials or agents) as an improper inducement or reward for or otherwise on account of favourable action or forbearance from action or the exercise of influence; or fail to establish appropriate safeguards to protect against such prohibited actions. Each Party shall, upon request from the other Party, provide evidence of the steps being taken to prevent prohibited actions, including the establishment of policies, practices, and/or business controls with respect to these laws.

20.5 Export Control: The Parties acknowledge that Products, Software, and technical information (including, but not limited to, service, technical assistance and training) provided under this Agreement may be subject to export laws and regulations of other countries, and any use or transfer of the Products, Software, and technical information must be in compliance with all applicable regulations and international trade sanctions. The Parties will not use, distribute, transfer, or transmit the Products, Software, or technical information (even if incorporated into other products) except in compliance with all applicable export regulations and trade sanctions. If requested by either Party, the other Party also agrees to sign written assurances and other export-related documents as may be required to comply with all applicable export regulations.

20.6 UK Regulatory Compliance: Where Regulated Service(s) are to be provided within the UK under this Agreement, the terms and conditions and prices for Regulated Service are published on BT’s website at www.bt.com and may be amended by BT from time to time. If applicable, the Customer will be informed of any changes to the terms and conditions and prices for Regulated Service where any such changes will be published as set out in this Clause. If a legal or regulatory intervention or ruling of any sort prevents the accomplishment of the purpose of this Agreement, the Customer and BT shall immediately commence good faith negotiations to explore whether a similar economic effect can be obtained consistent with the applicable legal or regulatory requirements. The delay or failure by BT to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement that is caused by or materially contributed to by a restriction of a legal or regulatory nature that affects, wholly or partly, the provision of the Service, shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement.
20.7 **Non-UK Regulatory Compliance:** Where Regulated Service(s) are to be provided outside of the UK under this Agreement, the Parties shall comply with the terms and conditions and prices, if applicable, of any applicable tariffs, regulations, or statutes. In the event of changes to such tariffs, regulations, or statutes during the term of any Order for such Regulated Services, such changes shall be effective pursuant to their terms. If a legal or regulatory intervention or ruling of any sort prevents the continued provision of any Regulated Service or materially changes the Regulated Service so that it is no longer consistent with the purpose of this Agreement, BT shall promptly commence good faith discussions with the Customer on any alternative Service or on any appropriate migration away from that Regulated Service so as to minimize any disruption to the Customer.

20.8 **Human Rights Compliance:** Each Party will comply with the International Human Rights Standards, when providing or using the Services. The Customer will use the Services and BT Equipment for normal business use, and not for any other purpose, and ensure that Users do as well.

20.9 **Capacity:** Each Party warrants that it has the necessary rights, licences and permissions to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement.

20.10 **Rights of Third Parties:** This Agreement does not create any right enforceable by any party who is not the Customer or BT (“Third Party”) under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 but this does not affect any right or remedy of a Third Party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

20.11 **No Waiver:** Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, no failure to exercise, or delay in exercising, any right, power or privilege set out in this Agreement will operate as a waiver of any right, power or privilege.

20.12 **Severance:** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable, it will be severed from this Agreement, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect, and the Parties will use reasonable endeavours to promptly negotiate a replacement in good faith.

20.13 **Survival of Obligations:** The Parties’ rights and obligations, whose nature is such that they should continue beyond the termination of this Agreement, shall survive termination of this Agreement.

20.14 **Entire Agreement:** This Agreement supersedes all prior oral or written understandings and/or representations between the Parties (unless specifically incorporated into this Agreement) and constitutes the entire agreement with respect to its subject matter. Each Party acknowledges that in entering into this Agreement that it has not relied on any representation, warranty, collateral contract or other assurance other than those set out in this Agreement, and waives all rights and remedies which, but for this Clause might otherwise be available to it in respect of any such representation, warranty, collateral contract or other assurance. Each Party acknowledges that its legal advisers have explained to it the effect of this Clause.

20.15 **Amendment:** This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented except by a document in writing signed by authorised representatives of both Parties. The Parties to an Order may amend, modify or supplement the terms of that Order by a document in writing executed by authorised representatives of both Parties to that Order.