



STW Engineering GmbH

Terms and conditions

The terms and conditions for sale of Goods by STW These terms and conditions shall apply to all contracts of sale entered into by STW.

1. Definitions

“Goods Conditions” means these Terms and Conditions for Sale of Goods. “STW” means STW Engineering GmbH, whose registered office is Hasselbinnen 9, 22869 Schenefeld, Federal Republic of Germany, and is registered in the commercial register of the local court of Pinneberg under the registration number HRB 12691 PI, with Turnover Tax number DE307564420. “the Customer” means the party who has placed the Order with STW. “the Order” means the Customer’s instructions to STW to supply the Goods. “the Goods” means the Goods or articles which are the subject of the Order. “the Confirmation of Order” means the written confirmation by STW of the Order. “the Price” means the price for the Goods (exclusive of Turnover Tax / Value Added Tax) specified in the Confirmation of Order. “the Contract” means the contract for the sale of Goods made between STW and the Customer incorporating the Goods Conditions. “VAT” means Turnover Tax. Turnover Tax is generally referred to as Value Added Tax, but it is technically not the same thing. VAT has been used in these terms in order to reflect common usage. “you” and “your” refers to the person acting on behalf of the Customer. “he” and “him” shall include the feminine and the singular shall include the plural.

2. Customer's warranty

By placing an order with us, you warrant that:

2.1. if you are acting for a third party such as a partnership or company, you are authorised by that third party to place the order with us.

2.2. if you are acting as a sole trader, you warrant that you are over the age of 18.

2.3. the information which you provide to us during the process of placing an order is accurate, complete and not misleading and you agree that you are responsible for the consequences resulting from any inaccuracy or incomplete or misleading information.

2.4. you agree to be bound by these terms and conditions of sale and that all other contractual conditions are excluded unless expressly accepted in writing by STW.

2.5. the contract has been entered into as a result of the offer received from STW and has not been induced by any other representations orally or in writing made by STW or its employees, directors or agents.

2.6. you agree to be bound by the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and that any dispute will be settled exclusively within the jurisdiction of the courts of the Federal Republic of Germany, except in so far as it may be necessary to enforce a decision of the courts of the Federal Republic of Germany in another country.

2.7. each order by you will be deemed to be an offer by you to purchase the Goods subject to these terms. No contract of sale will come into existence until STW has despatched the Goods or sent a confirmation of order. Each order placed by you will constitute a separate contract. No variation, amendment or cancellation will be valid unless agreed to in writing by STW.

3. Acceptance of order

3.1. Customer orders are subject to STW's confirmation of order. Normally STW will accept the order by providing a written confirmation of order. However, especially in urgent cases, STW may confirm the order by despatching the Goods. No contract of sale will come into existence until STW has sent this confirmation of order or until STW has despatched the Goods, whichever shall occur first.

3.2. An Order is accepted by STW exclusively upon these Goods Conditions and no other conditions, terms, provisions or other representations whatever whether referred to in negotiations or set out in the Order or otherwise shall be incorporated into the Contract unless the Customer and STW expressly so agree in written memorandum which shall refer to the Contract and be annexed to the Confirmation of Order.

4. Price

4.1. The price(s) payable for the Goods shall be STW's prices ruling at the date of despatch so that STW shall have the right at any time before delivery to revise quoted prices set out in the Confirmation of Order or otherwise.

4.2. Unless otherwise specified in the confirmation of order, the price(s) shown for the Goods are ex Works, exclusive of packing costs, VAT and / or any other tax or duty, which may be applicable. Any such tax or duty shall be added to the price. VAT will be charged in accordance with the German VAT regulations.

5. Delivery

5.1. Any delivery date specified in the Confirmation of Order or otherwise shall be deemed an estimate only, and STW shall not be liable for failure to deliver in accordance with that date nor for any loss, damage or expense whatsoever however caused or arising out of any loss or delay in delivery.

5.2. The Customer shall not be entitled to refuse to accept the Goods because of late delivery.

5.3. Delivery shall be in accordance with the definitions given under INCOTERMS. Unless otherwise agreed between STW and the Customer and specifically stated accordingly in the Confirmation of Order, contractual delivery shall be EXW, Germany. Any subsequent handling of the Goods following delivery EXW, such as loading of the Goods, shipment of Goods, insurance of Goods or customs clearance of the Goods which may be arranged by STW shall, unless otherwise stated in writing by STW in the confirmation of order, be effected either as agents for the Customer or under a separate contract of carriage or

contract of insurance and shall not affect the delivery terms contained in the Contract of Sale.

5.4. Where delivery is made by instalments, each such instalment shall be deemed to be the subject of a separate Contract.

5.5. The quantity of Goods as set out in our despatch documentation will be conclusive evidence of the quantity received by you on delivery unless you can provide conclusive evidence to the contrary.

5.6. STW's liability for non-delivery of Goods shall be limited to, at STW's discretion, replacing the Goods within a reasonable time, issuing a credit note for those Goods not delivered, or a refund of the purchase price paid.

5.7. Any claim by you that any Goods have not been delivered to you must be notified by you to STW within 7 days of the expected date of arrival of the Goods.

6. Payment

6.1. The mode of payment of the invoice, and a note of any advance payment received or required by STW may be stated on the Confirmation of Order and unless so stated the invoice shall be paid in full by the Customer no later than thirty (30) days from the date of STW's invoice. The currency of payment shall be the currency of the Contract or (at the election of the Customer) some other currency, provided that it is freely convertible into the currency of the Contract and is to be converted at the rate prevailing at STW's bank at the time when such payment is received by STW, and it includes in full any bank or exchange charges levied against STW as a result of such conversion.

6.2. Where any advance payment is required by STW, the Contract shall be conditional upon its receipt by STW.

6.3. Time for payment as stipulated in the Confirmation of Order shall be the essence of the Contract. In the case of Goods sold or delivered by instalments, each instalment shall be paid for separately.

6.4. Where payment is to be made by bill(s) of exchange or cheque(s) payment shall be deemed not to have been made until the said bill(s) or cheque(s) are honoured by the Customer.

6.5. Where full payment has not been received by STW on the due date STW shall (without prejudice to its rights under the Contract or otherwise) be entitled to charge interest on the amount outstanding at a rate per annum equal to five (5) per cent above the Base Lending Rate for the time being in force at STW's bank.

6.6. The Customer shall in no circumstances be entitled to make any deduction from the invoice payable by way of set-off or otherwise in respect of any claim or counterclaim which it may have against STW.

7. Passing of risk and property in the goods

7.1. The Goods shall from delivery be at risk of the Customer PROVIDED THAT where delivery is delayed at the request of the Customer for more than one month, STW shall be entitled to place the Goods in store at the Customer's risk and expense.

7.2. The property in the Goods shall not pass to the Customer whether or not the Customer has taken delivery of the Goods or any part thereof until the Customer shall have paid to STW the whole of all sums due to STW hereunder and the Customer shall not without prior written consent of STW sell, assign, pledge, mortgage, charge, let, part with possession, or otherwise dispose of the Goods or any part thereof until the property in them has passed to the Customer.

7.3. The Customer shall so long as it is possible so to do make such arrangements for the storage and identification of the Goods as to ensure that they are identifiable as the property of STW.

7.4. Until such time as the property in the Goods passes to the Customer, STW shall be entitled at any time to require the Customer to return the Goods to STW and, if the Customer fails to do so forthwith, STW shall be entitled to enter the premises where the Goods are being held in order to repossess them.

8. Specifications

8.1. All data containing specifications of weights, dimensions, quantities and the like which are contained in STW's website, catalogue or other literature are hereby declared to be approximate only as are also all weights and dimensions of shipments.

8.2. While STW has taken care to ensure the accuracy of any information data or advice included in the website, any catalogue or other literature furnished to the Customer, STW accepts no liability in respect of such information, data or advice, whether given negligently or not, or for the use of Goods in any particular way suggested thereby, and the Customer shall at the time the Contract is made be deemed to have carried out its own investigations and tests of the Goods.

8.3. Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 18 STW reserves the right upon giving notice of its intention to the Customer to make modifications to the Goods at any time before delivery provided that upon receiving such notice the Customer shall (if the said modifications are material) be entitled to elect to terminate the Contract.

8.4. Subject to the foregoing the Customer shall inspect the Goods immediately upon arrival at its premises and shall within three days of their arrival notify STW of any damage, shortage, loss or other particulars by reason of which it alleges that the Goods supplied do not conform with the Contract. If no such notice is received the Goods shall be deemed to have been supplied in accordance with the Contract and to have been accepted by the Customer.

8.5. Where the Customer gives notice to STW by virtue of sub-clause 8.4 it shall preserve the Goods intact and as delivered for a period of fourteen days after receipt by STW of the notification, during which period STW its agents or servants shall be at liberty to attend the Customer's premises or Goods location and have unfettered access to the Goods, to investigate the complaint.

8.6. If the Customer fails to comply with either of sub-conditions 8.4 or 8.5 it shall be deemed to have waived all or any claim actions or rights or remedies it may have in respect of the non-conformity of the Goods to the Contract.

8.7. If upon inspection by STW, the Goods are found to be damaged, short or otherwise not in conformity with the Contract, STW shall at its absolute discretion at its own expense replace, otherwise make good the same or credit the Customer with the value of the damaged or missing Goods .

8.8. Damage, shortage, loss or other non-conformity with the Contract which is present only in a proportion of the Goods or, where delivery is made by instalments, in only some of the instalments shall entitle the Customer to the remedies given by this Condition only in respect of that proportion or instalment.

8.9. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Clause, STW shall have no liability to the Customer pursuant to sub-clause 8.7 to the extent that the said damage, storage or loss occurred after risk in the Goods passed to the Customer.

9. STW's guarantee

9.1 In consideration of the guarantee given by STW as set out below the Customer expressly agrees that: 9.1.1. the said warranty is given by STW in lieu of and to the entire exclusion of every condition or warranty whether statutory or otherwise whatsoever, except to the extent that the law of Germany prohibits such exclusion.

9.1.2. the liability of STW howsoever arising is limited to exchange or repair (at STW's discretion) of any part or parts of Goods to extent of and no further than as set out in the said Guarantee.

9.1.3. STW is released from any other form of liability, including but not limited to consequential loss or damage caused or arising by reason on the Goods not being of the quantity, type or quality ordered or by reason of the Goods being delayed or by reason of any other matter whatsoever. 9.1.4 in no circumstance shall STW be liable for any sum greater than the purchase price of the Goods in the contract of sale.

9.2. For a period of twelve (12) months from the date on which the Goods are delivered to the Customer STW will exchange or repair (at STW's discretion) any part or parts thereof requiring replacement or repair by reason of faulty design, workmanship or material, save that:

9.2.1. STW will not be responsible for any expenses which the Customer and/or user may incur in removing or having removed or replacing any part or parts of the Goods sent for inspection or fitting or having fitted any replacement or new parts supplied in lieu thereof.

9.2.2. No claim for exchange or repair can be considered unless the defective part(s) are returned at sole cost of the Customer carriage paid to STW's works stating the parts are being returned under the guarantee together with the following information: (i) The Seller's

reference on the Goods from which the part or parts were taken. (ii) The defects claimed and the reasons for them. (iii) The date of purchase and the source from which the Goods were purchased.

9.2.3. This Guarantee does not extend to any defect which in the opinion of STW (which opinion shall be final) was attribute to: (i) Any form whatsoever of improper use. (ii) Wear and tear. (iii) Non-compliance with any instructions issued by STW. (iv) Incorrect fitment howsoever caused. (v) Neglect of others. (vi) Abnormal corrosive or abrasive conditions. (vii) Any alteration or modification having been made to the Goods or any parts thereof or any connected parts without the express approval of STW given in writing.

9.2.4. For any part(s) returned under the guarantee, either to STW's works, or a place designated by STW, title for the Goods shall pass to STW on delivery. STW then have thirty (30) days to inspect test or in any way analyse the part(s) to determine why the part(s) have been returned under the guarantee. In the event it is determined the part(s) are covered under the guarantee, then repair, replacement or credit note at STW's sole discretion shall be effected. In the event it is determined that the part(s) are not covered by the guarantee, they will be held available for collection for seven (7) days and then disposed of as STW see fit. The proceeds and/or costs of disposal will be for the Customer's account.

9.2.5. Consumables are excluded from this Guarantee.

10. Customer's undertakings

The Customer accepts full liability for and shall at all times indemnify STW against all actions claims demands costs charges and expenses whatsoever arising out of any loss or damage due to any person firm company or property by reason of STW having relied on any data, documents, drawings gauges, samples, models or the like

supplied to STW by or at the instigation of the Customer in connection with the performance of the Contract.

11. Health and safety at work

The Customer hereby undertakes to take all steps sufficient to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the Goods will be safe and without risks to health by properly using and handling them in accordance with the recommendations of STW. Weights given are approximate and should be confirmed before lifting, manual or mechanical.

12. Termination of the contract by STW

12.1. STW may terminate the Contract forthwith by written notice to the Customer upon the happening of any of the following events:

(i) Where full payment in respect of the Goods or any instalment of the Goods has not been received by STW by the date specified as the date for payment.

(ii) Where the Customer has failed to provide any Commercial Credit, Bill of Exchange, or other security required by the Contract.

(iii) Where the Customer being an individual, commits any act of bankruptcy, or, being a corporation, goes into liquidation or has a receiver appointed of all or any of its assets or is deemed by STW to be incapable of paying his or its debts.

(iv) Where the Customer is in breach of any of these Goods Conditions.

12.2. The granting by STW to the Customer of time or any other indulgence forbearance or concession shall in no way prejudice or constitute a waiver of STW's entitlement to enforce any of its rights under the Contract except and to the extent that it shall either constitute a variation of these Goods Conditions which has been made in accordance with clause 18.

12.3. If STW terminates the Contract in accordance with this clause, then, without prejudice to any other rights STW may have, it shall be entitled to retain any advance payment made by the Customer.

13. Cancellation by the customer

The Contract may be cancelled by the Customer only with STW's written consent, which shall be given or withheld at the sole discretion of STW and upon such terms as STW may deem fit.

14. Force majeure

In the event of: riots, civil disturbance, strikes, lock-outs, industrial disputes, fire, floods, heat, frost, storm or other intemperate weather, Act of God, Act of enemies of the Federal Republic of Germany or war (whether declared or not) or other hostilities carried on by any parties whatsoever, restraints or rulers of peoples including interferences by departments of governments in the Federal Republic of Germany or abroad, perils of the sea, breakdown in machinery, shortages of raw material or fuel or labour, shortages or breakdown of shipping or other means of transport, failure or delay by customary suppliers or sub-contractors of STW (whether their involvement in STW's performance of the Contract is known to the Customer or not) to provide materials required in the production of the Goods or any other unforeseen or exceptional circumstances whatsoever affecting or hindering the performance of the Contract by STW – STW may in its discretion either:

(i) terminate the Contract and return any advance payment made in respect thereof of the Customer; or

(ii) delay delivery for such period or periods as it shall consider necessary (in which case the provisions of sub-clause 5.1 and 5.2 shall apply) and in either case the Customer shall have no claims whatsoever howsoever arising against STW in respect of such termination or delay.

15. Confidentiality

15.1. Any drawings or technical documents intended for use in the manufacture or construction of the Goods and submitted to the Customer prior or subsequent to the formation of the Contract remain STW's exclusive property. Such drawings or technical documents may not without STW's consent be utilised by the Customer or copied,

reproduced, transmitted or communicated to a third party. The said drawings and documents shall become property of the Customer only if it is expressly so agreed in writing by STW.

15.2. In the event that an Order or Contract is not proceeded with for any reason whatever, each party shall upon demand return to the other all such material as is referred to in the preceding sub-clause and undertake to destroy any copies thereof which may have been made by it.

16. Assignment and rights of third parties

The Contract is personal to the Customer, which shall not assign or charge the benefit thereof in any manner whatsoever without STW's express written consent. For the avoidance of doubt all third-party rights which might otherwise have been created are specifically excluded. The Contract does not confer any rights or benefits to any third party whatsoever.

17. Law

The Contract shall in all respects be constructed and operate in accordance with the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany. All disputes shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Federal Republic of Germany, except in so far as it may be necessary to enforce a judgement of the courts of the Federal Republic of Germany in another country.

18. Variation

Except as provided in clause 8.3 hereof after formation of the Contract any alterations amplifications modifications limitations or additions thereto must be agreed by the parties, made in writing, refer to the Contract, and be annexed to the Confirmation of Order.

19. Waiver

The granting by STW to the Customer of time or any other indulgence forbearance or concession shall in no way prejudice or constitute a waiver of STW's entitlement to enforce any of its rights under the Contract except and to the extent that it shall either constitute a variation of these Goods Conditions which has been made in accordance with clause 18.

20. Notices

20.1. Notices shall be made in writing and posted to the Customer's address as shown respectively on the Order and Confirmation of Order or failing those to the address at which one party reasonably believes the other to be carrying on business.

20.2. A notice shall be deemed to have been given forty-eight hours after posting (or ninety-six hours after posting where the notice is sent from and/or addressed to an address outside the Federal Republic of Germany).

21. General

21.1. The clause headings hereto shall not affect the construction of these Goods Conditions.

21.2. STW's rights are cumulative and not exclusive.

21.3. If any provision or part of a provision of this agreement shall be, or held to be by any authority or court of competent jurisdiction, invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the other provisions or parts of such provisions of the contract, all of which shall remain in force.