General Terms of Delivery and Payment of Sanitärtechnik Eisenberg GmbH

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1. **Scope of Application**
   1.1 Our General Terms of Delivery and Payment (hereinafter referred to as: terms of delivery) shall apply exclusively. We are not bound to any deviating terms of the buyer that we do not expressly acknowledge in writing, even if we do not expressly object to them. An order by the customer shall be deemed as acknowledgement of our terms of delivery. Our terms of delivery shall also apply if we execute the delivery in knowledge of contradictory or deviating terms of the buyer without reservation.

1.2 Our terms of delivery apply only vis-à-vis persons who when entering into the contract are exercising their commercial or independent professional activity (entrepreneur within the meaning of Section 310 para. 1 BGB [German Civil Code]) as well as vis-a-vis legal entities under public law or public-law special funds.

1.3 These terms of delivery shall also apply as amended as a framework agreement (Section 305 para. 3 BGB) to future offers and contracts on the sale or delivery of goods with the same customer, without the need for us to again point to them in each individual case. We shall promptly inform the buyer of changes to our terms of delivery in this case.

2. **Contract Issuance**
   2.1 Our offers are subject to change and non-binding if they are not expressly identified as binding or contain a specific deadline for acceptance.

   2.2 Our written order confirmation is required for the scope of the delivery.

   2.3 All agreements reached for performance of the contract are components of the agreement only if they were established in writing.

   2.4 Changes to the technical design of the ordered products in a commercially customary manner are permissible if such does not cause a substantial change in function or the customer cannot reasonably be expected to accept such change.

   2.5 We warrant the quality of an item only if it has been expressly promised in our order confirmation or in our advertising.

3. **Prices and Payment Terms**
   3.1 If no other arrangement is made in the order confirmation, our prices are "ex works" (EXW, Incoterms® 2010). The costs for packaging, dispatch, insurance and customs duties etc. will be invoiced separately. We are entitled to invoice partial deliveries separately if we are allowed to pursuant to item 4.2.

   3.2 We reserve the right to increase our prices accordingly if, after conclusion of the contract, cost increases, in particular based on wage agreements or increases in the cost for materials are incurred. Upon request by the customer, we will provide proof of such increases. The provision established in this paragraph does not apply if fewer than 6 weeks have elapsed between contract issuance and the agreed delivery date.

   3.3 The statutory value added tax is not included in our prices; it will be shown separately in the invoice in the statutory amount on the date the invoice is issued.

   3.4 Discount deductions require a special written agreement.

   3.5 If no other arrangement is reached regarding the order confirmation, payment shall be made without deductions within 14 days after receipt of the invoice, but no later than 30 days after delivery. The statutory provisions apply to the consequences of default of payment.

   3.6 The buyer is entitled to the right of offset only if his counterclaims have been upheld by a court, are uncontested or acknowledged by us. The buyer is also not entitled to a right of reservation due to counterclaims that are disputed and not upheld by a court.

   3.7 In the event the buyer fails to comply with the terms of payment or in circumstances in which the credit-worthiness of the buyer is called into question, we are entitled to demand immediate cash payment for all deliveries. We are also entitled to provide outstanding deliveries only against advance payment or the furnishing of security or to withdraw from the contract and demand compensation for damage. We are also entitled to forbid the resale of the goods delivered under reservation of title and to immediately recover the goods at the buyer's expense if we have withdrawn from the contract.

4. **Delivery**
   4.1 Specifications of particular delivery periods and dates are subject to the reservation that we are ourselves supplied correctly and in a timely fashion.

   4.2 Within reasonable parameters, we are entitled to make partial deliveries.

   4.3 The start of the delivery period is conditional on the timely and proper fulfilment of the buyer's obligations. If these obligations are not met in a timely fashion, the delivery period shall be extended correspondingly. The delivery period will also be extended appropriately if its non-compliance is attributable to force majeure, e.g. war or similar events, such as a strike.

   4.4 A delivery period or a delivery date shall be deemed to have been met if readiness to dispatch or pick-up is reported before expiry or the goods have departed from the plant or the warehouse or are handed over to the forwarding agent, the carrier or to another person entrusted with the transport.
4.5 Default of delivery is determined by the statutory provisions. But in any case, a reminder by the buyer is required.

4.6 In the event of default for delivery for which we are responsible, the buyer – if his claim of damage suffered is convincing – is exclusively entitled to demand a lump sum compensation for default in the amount of 0.5% of the order value, a maximum of 5% of the order value for each completed week of default. We reserve the right to prove to the buyer that no damage was suffered as a result of the default of delivery or that a substantially lower damage was incurred. Both claims for compensation by the buyer based on a delay in delivery and claims for compensation in lieu of performance, which extend beyond the above limit, are excluded in all cases of delayed delivery.

4.7 The rights of the buyer pursuant to item 8 of these terms of delivery and our legal rights, in particular in the event of an exclusion of the performance obligation (e.g. based on impossibility or unreasonableness of performance and/or subsequent performance) shall remain unaffected.

4.8 If we are responsible for the default of delivery, the buyer may withdraw from the contract if he has previously given us a reasonable grace period and it has expired without yielding a desired result. Upon our request, the buyer must inform us within a reasonable period of time whether he wishes to withdraw from the contract due to the delay of delivery or insists on delivery. This does not apply if a commercial transaction for a fixed date has been agreed.

5. Transfer of Risk

5.1 If no other arrangement is reached in the order confirmation, delivery “ex works” (EXW, Incoterms® 2010) is agreed.

5.2 Upon the buyer’s request we will take out transport insurance for the delivery to cover typical transport risks; the buyer will bear the costs incurred.

5.3 In agreed deliveries, the risk of accidental loss or accidental deterioration of the delivery is transferred to the buyer, to include freight prepaid delivery as soon as the delivery has been transferred to the person performing the transport or for the purpose of dispatch, has left our warehouse.

5.4 If to fulfill our performance obligation we are obligated only to make the delivery ready for pick up at our location, the delivery is ready for dispatch and pick up and the pick-up is delayed for reasons for which we are not responsible, the risk of accidental loss or accidental deterioration of the delivery shall be transferred to the buyer as soon as the buyer has received notification of dispatch or pick-up readiness. If notification of dispatch readiness is not made, the risk is transferred to the buyer upon transfer of the goods to the carrier, but no later than upon departure from the plant or warehouse. This also applies when our transport facilities are used or prepaid delivery is made.

6. Reservation of Title

6.1 In all cases, we reserve the right of reservation of title to all goods delivered. Ownership is not transferred to the buyer until after complete payment.

6.2 The buyer shall promptly inform us of pledges or other interventions by third parties so that we can file an action pursuant to Section 771 ZPO [Code of Civil Procedure]. If the third party is not in a position to reimburse us for the court costs of such action, the buyer is liable for the shortfall we have incurred.

6.3 The buyer is entitled to resell the delivered goods in the ordinary course of business; however, with immediate effect, he assigns to us all claims in the amount of the invoiced final amount (including value added tax) that he accurses from the resale vis-à-vis his buyers or third parties, irrespective of whether the item was resold without or after processing. We accept this assignment with immediate effect.

6.4 The buyer shall also retain the right to collect the assigned claims after the assignment. Our authority to collect the claim ourselves shall remain unaffected. We are obliged, however, not to collect the claim as long as the buyer fulfills his payment obligations under the appropriated proceeds, is not in default of payment and no insolvency proceedings have been instituted against his assets or he has not ceased his making payments. As soon as we can collect on assigned claims ourselves, the buyer is obliged upon our request to disclose to us the assigned claims and their debtors, to give us all information required for collecting, to give us the corresponding documents and to report the assignment to the debtors (third parties).

6.5 The buyer is entitled to use the goods in the customary course of business and to process/transform them. The buyer will always process or transform the delivered goods for us. If the delivered goods are processed with other objects that do not belong to us, we shall acquire co-ownership of the new object in proportion to the value of the delivered goods to the other processed objects at the time of processing. With respect to the object created by the processing, the same applies as for the goods delivered under reservation.

6.6 If the delivered goods are inseparably commingled with other objects that do not belong to us, we shall acquire co-ownership of the new object in proportion to the value of the delivered goods to the other commingled objects at the time of commingling. If the commingling is carried out in a manner such that the delivered goods can be seen as the main object, it is agreed that the buyer shall transfer co-ownership proportionately. The buyer shall safeguard the thus created sole ownership or co-ownership for us.

6.7 Any conduct contrary to the terms of the contract by the buyer, in particular in the event of default of
payment, entitles us to recover the goods delivered under reservation of title and the buyer is obliged to hand them over. If we take back or pledge the reserved goods, this shall not constitute a withdrawal from the contract. In the event we take back the delivered goods, we are entitled to exploit the delivered goods in the best way possible after issuing a prior, appropriate deadline. The proceeds from the exploitation shall be credited to our claims after deducting reasonable exploitation costs.

6.8 If particular measures are required for export transactions at the location where the delivered goods are located after delivery to render the pre-processed reservation of title or the assignment effective, the buyer shall point this out to us and carry out such measures at his own expense. If reservation of title or other pre-processed rights cannot be considered at the location in which the delivered goods are located after delivery, the buyer shall do everything to acquire security interests in the delivered goods for us that are closest to this right at his expense.

6.9 Upon request by the buyer, we are obliged to release the securities that we are entitled to as the realisable value of our securities that exceed the claims to be secured by more than 10%. We are responsible for selecting the realisable securities.

6.10 The buyer is obliged to adequately insure the goods as long as our reservation of title applies.

7. Notification of Defects, Claims for Defects, Period of Limitation

7.1 If the buyer is a merchant, the assertion of warranty rights is conditional on his having properly complied with his inspection and notification of defects duties pursuant to Section 377 HGB. For entrepreneurs, this benchmark applies accordingly. The buyer shall promptly notify defects after receiving the goods, but no later than within eight calendar days after receipt, if possible in writing. The same period applies to hidden defects as of the date discovered. Claims for defects shall lapse for defects not notified in a timely manner.

7.2 We will repair defects in the delivered goods at our discretion or take back the goods and redeliver (subsequent performance). We may refuse subsequent performance if it is possible only with disproportionate costs or disproportionate effort and another type of subsequent performance is without substantial disadvantages for the buyer.

7.3 If subsequent performance fails or if we refuse to do so, the buyer may withdraw from the contract or demand a reduction in the delivery price.

7.4 Claims for defects are invalid for defects that represent only an insignificant deviation of the delivered goods from the agreed composition, for defects that represent only an insignificant effect on usability, for natural wear and tear or damage caused after transfer of risk as a result of faulty or negligent handling, excessive stress etc. If the buyer or a third party makes inappropriate changes or performs inappropriate repair work, no claims for defects shall apply to such actions and the resulting consequences.

7.5 Periods of limitation for claims for defects are:

a) for the delivery of building materials that were installed and have caused defects in the structure, 5 years;

b) for delivery of other new goods to entrepreneurs, 1 year;

c) otherwise 2 years.

d) For delivery of used goods to companies, liability for defects is excluded.

e) The above periods at b) and d) do not apply to claims for compensation by the buyer for injury to life and limb or health or that are based on intentional or grossly negligent breach of duty by us, our legal representatives or our vicarious agents. These claims expire in accordance with the statutory provisions.

f) Additional statutory special provisions on periods of limitation (in particular Section 438 para. 1 No. 1, para. 3, Sections 444, 445 b BGB) shall remain unaffected.

7.6 The period of limitation for claims for defects starts upon delivery of the object; if acceptance is required, as of acceptance.

7.7 For replacement delivery and remedying defects, the period of limitation for replaced or repaired goods, to include cases of goodwill, does not start anew. If in exceptional cases, an acknowledgement has been provided, it relates only to those defects that were the object of the demand for subsequent performance.

7.8 The periods of limitation under sales law listed under item 7.5 shall also apply to the buyer's contractual and extra-contractual claims for compensation, which are based on a defect in goods, unless the application of the standard statutory period of limitation (Sections 195, 199 BGB) would lead to a shorter period of limitation in an individual case. However, the buyer's claims for compensation pursuant to item 8.2 a) as well as pursuant to the Product Liability Act expire exclusively pursuant to the statutory periods of limitation.

7.9 Claims by the buyer for expenditures required for the purpose of subsequent performance are excluded if they are increased because the delivered goods were subsequently dispatched to a location other than the buyer's establishment, unless taking them to that location is in accordance with the intended use of the delivered goods.

7.10 The buyer's rights of recourse against us pursuant to Section 478 BGB obtain only if the buyer has not reached any agreements with his buyer that exceed statutory warranty rights. Item 7.9 applies accordingly to the scope of a right of recourse.
8. Other Liability

8.1 If no other arrangement is reached in these terms of delivery, including the following provisions, we are liable for the breach of contractual obligations and extra-contractual obligations pursuant to the statutory provisions.

8.2 With respect to compensation for damages we are liable – on whatever legal grounds – for fault-based liability in the event of intent and gross negligence. For simple negligence, we are liable, subject to a milder liability benchmark, pursuant to the statutory provisions (e.g. for care in one's own affairs) only:

a) for injury to life, limb or health,

b) for damage arising from a not insignificant breach of a material contractual obligation (obligation the fulfilment of which is required to allow for the proper performance of the contract in the first place and compliance with which the contract party may regularly trust); in this case our liability is limited, however, to compensation for foreseeable and typical damage.

8.3 The limits of liability resulting from item 8.2 also apply in the event of breaches of duty by or to the benefit of persons whose fault we are responsible for under statutory regulations. They do not apply if we have maliciously concealed a defect or have given a guarantee of the composition of a product and to claims under the Product Liability Act.

8.4 With respect to a breach of duty that does not consist of a defect, the buyer may only withdraw or terminate if we are responsible for the breach of duty. The buyer's right to freely terminate the contract (in particular pursuant to Sections 651, 649 BGB) is excluded. The statutory preconditions and legal consequences shall also apply.

9. Return of Goods

Returns of defective goods may be undertaken only after prior agreement and with our written consent. Freight collect returns of goods will not be accepted. Special fabrications, partial packaging and goods that are no longer saleable are excluded from returns. Goods returns for credit will be given credit after a deduction is made for processing in the amount of 20% of the net purchase price of the returned goods.

10. Export Restriction

Forwarding our goods, including the product descriptions to the USA or Canada is expressly prohibited and shall require our prior written approval.

11. Legal Venue, Place of Performance and Applicable Law

11.1 Exclusive legal venue for disputes arising between the contract parties is Eisenberg if the buyer is a merchant, a legal entity under public law or a public law special fund or if the buyer has no general legal venue in Germany. We are also entitled, however, to bring action at the buyer's headquarters or at another legal venue.

11.2 If no other arrangement is reached in the order confirmation, our registered office is the place of performance.

11.3 The law of the Federal Republic of Germany shall apply exclusively to the legal relationship and as a supplement to these provisions. Application of the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) is excluded.