

Supplier Code of Conduct

H&R Healthcare Ltd are UK distributors of the highest quality medical devices sourced from leading manufacturers throughout the world.

We are fully aware of the responsibility we hold towards our customers, employees and the communities in which we work and have therefore given ourselves a strict set of ethical standards to guide us in our business dealings.

We expect all of our suppliers, i.e. all companies who do business with H&R Healthcare Ltd, to adhere to the same ethical standards. For this purpose, H&R Healthcare Ltd has drawn up this Supplier Code of Conduct, which sets the minimum standards for doing business with our Company.

Laws and Ethical Standards

The supplier shall comply with all laws applicable to its business. The supplier should support the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights as well as the 1998 International Labour Organization Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, in accordance with national laws and practice. This especially applies to:

Human Rights and Fair Labour Practices

- **Child Labour**

The supplier shall not employ children under the legal age of employment in any country or local jurisdiction. If the minimum age of employment is not defined, it shall be 16 years. Workers under the age of 18 shall only perform work in accordance with legal requirements (e.g. with regards to working time and working conditions) and subject to any requirement regarding education or training.

- **Forced Labour**

The supplier shall not use any form of forced, bonded or involuntary labour. All labour must be voluntary. Workers must be allowed to maintain control over their identification documents (e.g. passports, work permits or any other personal legal documents). The supplier shall ensure that workers do not pay fees or make any payment connected to obtaining employment throughout the hiring process and the employment period.

Punishment, mental and/or physical coercion are prohibited. Disciplinary policies and procedures shall be clearly defined and communicated to the workers.

- **Compensation and Working Hours**

The supplier shall comply with all applicable national laws and mandatory industry standards regarding working hours, overtime, wages and benefits. The supplier shall pay workers in a timely manner and clearly convey the basis on which workers are being paid. Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure shall not be allowed, if not legally permitted.

- **Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining**

The employees of the supplier must be free to join or not to join a union/employee representation of their choice, free from threat or intimidation. The supplier recognizes and respects the right to collectively bargain in accordance with applicable laws.

- **Diversity**

The supplier shall promote an inclusive work environment that values the diversity of its employees. The supplier shall not discriminate or tolerate discrimination with respect to gender, race, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or any other characteristic protected under law.

Health & Safety

We expect our suppliers to strive to implement the standards of occupational health and safety at a high level by applying a health and safety management approach appropriate for the business. The supplier shall comply with applicable occupational health and safety regulations and provide a work environment that is safe and conducive to good health, in order to preserve the health of employees, safeguard third parties and prevent accidents, injuries and work-related illnesses. This includes regular workplace risk assessments and the implementation of adequate hazard control and precautionary measures. Employees are to be adequately educated and trained in health and safety issues.

Data Protection and Disclosure of Information

The supplier shall adhere to relevant data protection and security laws as well as to respective regulations, in particular with regard to personal data of customers, consumers and employees. The supplier shall comply with all said requirements when personal data is collected, processed, transmitted or used.

Suppliers shall safeguard and make only appropriate use of confidential information. The supplier shall not disclose any information that is not known to the general public.

Bribery and Corruption

The supplier shall comply with all national and international anti-bribery regulations as well as applicable anti-corruption laws, regulations and standards. The supplier shall not (either directly or indirectly) offer or promise to provide anything of value to improperly influence an official act or to secure an improper advantage in order to obtain or retain business.

Trade Regulation

The supplier shall comply with all applicable trade and import regulations including sanctions and embargoes that apply to their activities.

Money Laundering & Financial Records

The supplier shall comply with applicable laws and regulations designed to combat money laundering activities. The supplier shall maintain financial records and reports according to international laws and regulations.

Fair Competition

The supplier shall comply with applicable competition and anti-trust laws.

Conflicts of Interest

A conflict of interest arises when an individual has a private/personal interest which could appear to influence their decisions. Such conflict of interest situations include a relationship by blood or marriage, partnership, business partnership or investment. The supplier shall disclose any actual or potential conflict of interest with H&R Healthcare personnel.

Environment

The supplier shall comply with all applicable environmental laws, regulations and standards as well as implement an effective system to identify and eliminate potential hazards to the environment.

Business Continuity Planning

The supplier shall be prepared for any disruptions of its business (e.g. natural disasters, terrorism, software viruses, illness, pandemics, infectious diseases). This preparedness especially includes disaster plans to protect both employees as well as the environment as far as possible from the effects of possible disasters that arise within the domain of operations.

Business Partner Dialogue

The supplier shall encourage its own suppliers to adhere to this Supplier Code of Conduct as part of fulfilling their contractual obligations.

Compliance with the Supplier Code of Conduct

H & R Healthcare Ltd reserves the right, upon reasonable notice, to check compliance with the requirements of the Supplier Code of Conduct. H&R Healthcare Ltd encourages its suppliers to implement their own binding guidelines for ethical behaviour.

Any breach of the obligations stipulated in this Supplier Code of Conduct is considered a material breach of contract by the supplier.

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This document is to be read in conjunction with our POL005 Labour Standards Assurance System Policy.

Supplier Company Name

Supplier Signature..... Job Title

Print Name

Date Signed