

## 7. Payment, VAT and Call-Off Contract charges

- 7.1 The Buyer must pay the Charges following clauses 7.2 to 7.11 for the Supplier's delivery of the Services.
- 7.2 The Buyer will pay the Supplier within the number of days specified in the Order Form on receipt of a valid invoice.
- 7.3 The Call-Off Contract Charges include all Charges for payment Processing. All invoices submitted to the Buyer for the Services will be exclusive of any Management Charge.
- 7.4 If specified in the Order Form, the Supplier will accept payment for G-Cloud Services by the Government Procurement Card (GPC). The Supplier will be liable to pay any merchant fee levied for using the GPC and must not recover this charge from the Buyer.
- 7.5 The Supplier must ensure that each invoice contains a detailed breakdown of the G-Cloud Services supplied. The Buyer may request the Supplier provides further documentation to substantiate the invoice.
- 7.6 If the Supplier enters into a Subcontract it must ensure that a provision is included in each Subcontract which specifies that payment must be made to the Subcontractor within 30 days of receipt of a valid invoice.
- 7.7 All Charges payable by the Buyer to the Supplier will include VAT at the appropriate Rate.
- 7.8 The Supplier must add VAT to the Charges at the appropriate rate with visibility of the amount as a separate line item.
- 7.9 The Supplier will indemnify the Buyer on demand against any liability arising from the Supplier's failure to account for or to pay any VAT on payments made to the Supplier under this Call-Off Contract. The Supplier must pay all sums to the Buyer at least 5 Working Days before the date on which the tax or other liability is payable by the Buyer.
- 7.10 The Supplier must not suspend the supply of the G-Cloud Services unless the Supplier is entitled to End this Call-Off Contract under clause 18.6 for Buyer's failure to pay undisputed sums of money. Interest will be payable by the Buyer on the late payment of any undisputed sums of money properly invoiced under the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998.
- 7.11 If there's an invoice dispute, the Buyer must pay the undisputed portion of the amount and return the invoice within 10 Working Days of the invoice date. The Buyer will provide a covering statement with proposed amendments and the reason for any non-payment. The Supplier must notify the Buyer within 10 Working Days of receipt of the returned invoice if it accepts the amendments. If it does then the Supplier must provide a replacement valid invoice with the response.
- 7.12 Due to the nature of G-Cloud Services it isn't possible in a static Order Form to exactly define the consumption of services over the duration of the Call-Off Contract. The Supplier agrees that the Buyer's volumes indicated in the Order Form are indicative only.

## 8. Recovery of sums due and right of set-off

- 8.1 If a Supplier owes money to the Buyer, the Buyer may deduct that sum from the Call-Off Contract Charges.

## 9. Insurance

- 9.1 The Supplier will maintain the insurances required by the Buyer including those in this clause.
- 9.2 The Supplier will ensure that:

- 9.2.1 during this Call-Off Contract, Subcontractors hold third party public and products liability insurance of the same amounts that the Supplier would be legally liable to pay as damages, including the claimant's costs and expenses, for accidental death or bodily injury and loss of or damage to Property, to a minimum of £1,000,000
- 9.2.2 the third-party public and products liability insurance contains an 'indemnity to principals' clause for the Buyer's benefit
- 9.2.3 all agents and professional consultants involved in the Services hold professional indemnity insurance to a minimum indemnity of £1,000,000 for each individual claim during the Call-Off Contract, and for 6 years after the End or Expiry Date
- 9.2.4 all agents and professional consultants involved in the Services hold employers liability insurance (except where exempt under Law) to a minimum indemnity of £5,000,000 for each individual claim during the Call-Off Contract, and for 6 years after the End or Expiry Date
- 9.3 If requested by the Buyer, the Supplier will obtain additional insurance policies, or extend existing policies bought under the Framework Agreement.
- 9.4 If requested by the Buyer, the Supplier will provide the following to show compliance with this clause:
  - 9.4.1 a broker's verification of insurance
  - 9.4.2 receipts for the insurance premium
  - 9.4.3 evidence of payment of the latest premiums due
- 9.5 Insurance will not relieve the Supplier of any liabilities under the Framework Agreement or this Call-Off Contract and the Supplier will:
  - 9.5.1 take all risk control measures using Good Industry Practice, including the investigation and reports of claims to insurers
  - 9.5.2 promptly notify the insurers in writing of any relevant material fact under any Insurances
  - 9.5.3 hold all insurance policies and require any broker arranging the insurance to hold any insurance slips and other evidence of insurance
- 9.6 The Supplier will not do or omit to do anything, which would destroy or impair the legal validity of the insurance.
- 9.7 The Supplier will notify CCS and the Buyer as soon as possible if any insurance policies have been, or are due to be, cancelled, suspended, Ended or not renewed.
- 9.8 The Supplier will be liable for the payment of any:
  - 9.8.1 premiums, which it will pay promptly
  - 9.8.2 excess or deductibles and will not be entitled to recover this from the Buyer

## 10. Confidentiality

- 10.1 Subject to clause 24.1 the Supplier must during and after the Term keep the Buyer fully indemnified against all Losses, damages, costs or expenses and other liabilities (including legal fees) arising from any breach of the Supplier's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation or under incorporated Framework Agreement clauses 8.80 to 8.88. The indemnity doesn't apply to the extent that the Supplier breach is due to a Buyer's instruction.

## 11. Intellectual Property Rights

- 11.1 Unless otherwise specified in this Call-Off Contract, a Party will not acquire any right, title or interest in or to the Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) of the other Party or its Licensors.
- 11.2 The Supplier grants the Buyer a non-exclusive, transferable, perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free licence to use the Project Specific IPRs and any Background IPRs embedded within the Project Specific IPRs for the Buyer's ordinary business activities.
- 11.3 The Supplier must obtain the grant of any third-party IPRs and Background IPRs so the Buyer can enjoy full use of the Project Specific IPRs, including the Buyer's right to publish the IPR as open source.
- 11.4 The Supplier must promptly inform the Buyer if it can't comply with the clause above and the Supplier must not use third-party IPRs or Background IPRs in relation to the Project Specific IPRs if it can't obtain the grant of a licence acceptable to the Buyer.
- 11.5 The Supplier will, on written demand, fully indemnify the Buyer and the Crown for all Losses which it may incur at any time from any claim of infringement or alleged infringement of a third party's IPRs because of the:
- 11.5.1 rights granted to the Buyer under this Call-Off Contract
  - 11.5.2 Supplier's performance of the Services
  - 11.5.3 use by the Buyer of the Services
- 11.6 If an IPR Claim is made, or is likely to be made, the Supplier will immediately notify the Buyer in writing and must at its own expense after written approval from the Buyer, either:
- 11.6.1 modify the relevant part of the Services without reducing its functionality or performance
  - 11.6.2 substitute Services of equivalent functionality and performance, to avoid the infringement or the alleged infringement, as long as there is no additional cost or burden to the Buyer
  - 11.6.3 buy a licence to use and supply the Services which are the subject of the alleged infringement, on terms acceptable to the Buyer
- 11.7 Clause 11.5 will not apply if the IPR Claim is from:
- 11.7.2 the use of data supplied by the Buyer which the Supplier isn't required to verify under this Call-Off Contract

11.7.3 other material provided by the Buyer necessary for the Services

11.8 If the Supplier does not comply with clauses 11.2 to 11.6, the Buyer may End this Call-Off Contract for Material Breach. The Supplier will, on demand, refund the Buyer all the money paid for the affected Services.

## 12. Protection of information

12.1 The Supplier must:

12.1.1 comply with the Buyer's written instructions and this Call-Off Contract when Processing Buyer Personal Data

12.1.2 only Process the Buyer Personal Data as necessary for the provision of the G-Cloud Services or as required by Law or any Regulatory Body

12.1.3 take reasonable steps to ensure that any Supplier Staff who have access to Buyer Personal Data act in compliance with Supplier's security processes

12.2 The Supplier must fully assist with any complaint or request for Buyer Personal Data including by:

12.2.1 providing the Buyer with full details of the complaint or request

12.2.2 complying with a data access request within the timescales in the Data Protection Legislation and following the Buyer's instructions

12.2.3 providing the Buyer with any Buyer Personal Data it holds about a Data Subject (within the timescales required by the Buyer)

12.2.4 providing the Buyer with any information requested by the Data Subject

12.3 The Supplier must get prior written consent from the Buyer to transfer Buyer Personal Data to any other person (including any Subcontractors) for the provision of the G-Cloud Services.

## 13. Buyer data

13.1 The Supplier must not remove any proprietary notices in the Buyer Data.

13.2 The Supplier will not store or use Buyer Data except if necessary to fulfil its obligations.

13.3 If Buyer Data is processed by the Supplier, the Supplier will supply the data to the Buyer as requested.

13.4 The Supplier must ensure that any Supplier system that holds any Buyer Data is a secure system that complies with the Supplier's and Buyer's security policies and all Buyer requirements in the Order Form.

13.5 The Supplier will preserve the integrity of Buyer Data processed by the Supplier and prevent its corruption and loss.



13.6 The Supplier will ensure that any Supplier system which holds any protectively marked Buyer Data or other government data will comply with:

13.6.1 the principles in the Security Policy Framework:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/security-policy-framework> and

the Government Security Classification policy:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

13.6.2 guidance issued by the Centre for Protection of National Infrastructure on Risk Management:

<https://www.cpni.gov.uk/content/adopt-risk-management-approach> and

Protection of Sensitive Information and Assets:

<https://www.cpni.gov.uk/protection-sensitive-information-and-assets>

13.6.3 the National Cyber Security Centre's (NCSC) information risk management guidance:

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/risk-management-collection>

13.6.4 government best practice in the design and implementation of system components, including network principles, security design principles for digital services and the secure email blueprint:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/technology-code-of-practice/technology-code-of-practice>

13.6.5 the security requirements of cloud services using the NCSC Cloud Security Principles and accompanying guidance:

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/implementing-cloud-security-principles>

13.6.6 buyer requirements in respect of AI ethical standards.

13.7 The Buyer will specify any security requirements for this project in the Order Form.

13.8 If the Supplier suspects that the Buyer Data has or may become corrupted, lost, breached or significantly degraded in any way for any reason, then the Supplier will notify the Buyer immediately and will (at its own cost if corruption, loss, breach or degradation of the Buyer Data was caused by the action or omission of the Supplier) comply with any remedial action reasonably proposed by the Buyer.

13.9 The Supplier agrees to use the appropriate organisational, operational and technological processes to keep the Buyer Data safe from unauthorised use or access, loss, destruction, theft or disclosure.

13.10 The provisions of this clause 13 will apply during the term of this Call-Off Contract and for as long as the Supplier holds the Buyer's Data.

## 14. Standards and quality

14.1 The Supplier will comply with any standards in this Call-Off Contract, the Order Form and the Framework Agreement.

14.2 The Supplier will deliver the Services in a way that enables the Buyer to comply with its obligations under the Technology Code of Practice, which is at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/technology-code-of-practice/technology-code-of-practice>

- 14.3 If requested by the Buyer, the Supplier must, at its own cost, ensure that the G-Cloud Services comply with the requirements in the PSN Code of Practice.
- 14.4 If any PSN Services are Subcontracted by the Supplier, the Supplier must ensure that the services have the relevant PSN compliance certification.
- 14.5 The Supplier must immediately disconnect its G-Cloud Services from the PSN if the PSN Authority considers there is a risk to the PSN's security and the Supplier agrees that the Buyer and the PSN Authority will not be liable for any actions, damages, costs, and any other Supplier liabilities which may arise.

## 15. Open source

- 15.1 All software created for the Buyer must be suitable for publication as open source, unless otherwise agreed by the Buyer.
- 15.2 If software needs to be converted before publication as open source, the Supplier must also provide the converted format unless otherwise agreed by the Buyer.

## 16. Security

- 16.1 If requested to do so by the Buyer, before entering into this Call-Off Contract the Supplier will, within 15 Working Days of the date of this Call-Off Contract, develop (and obtain the Buyer's written approval of) a Security Management Plan and an Information Security Management System. After Buyer approval the Security Management Plan and Information Security Management System will apply during the Term of this Call-Off Contract. Both plans will comply with the Buyer's security policy and protect all aspects and processes associated with the delivery of the Services.
- 16.2 The Supplier will use all reasonable endeavours, software and the most up-to-date antivirus definitions available from an industry-accepted antivirus software seller to minimise the impact of Malicious Software.
- 16.3 If Malicious Software causes loss of operational efficiency or loss or corruption of Service Data, the Supplier will help the Buyer to mitigate any losses and restore the Services to operating efficiency as soon as possible.
- 16.4 Responsibility for costs will be at the:
  - 16.4.1 Supplier's expense if the Malicious Software originates from the Supplier software or the Service Data while the Service Data was under the control of the Supplier, unless the Supplier can demonstrate that it was already present, not quarantined or identified by the Buyer when provided
  - 16.4.2 Buyer's expense if the Malicious Software originates from the Buyer software or the Service Data, while the Service Data was under the Buyer's control

- 16.5 The Supplier will immediately notify the Buyer of any breach of security of Buyer's Confidential Information (and the Buyer of any Buyer Confidential Information breach). Where the breach occurred because of a Supplier Default, the Supplier will recover the Buyer's Confidential Information however it may be recorded.
- 16.6 Any system development by the Supplier should also comply with the government's '10 Steps to Cyber Security' guidance:  
<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/10-steps-cyber-security>
- 16.7 If a Buyer has requested in the Order Form that the Supplier has a Cyber Essentials certificate, the Supplier must provide the Buyer with a valid Cyber Essentials certificate (or equivalent) required for the Services before the Start date.

## 17. Guarantee

- 17.1 If this Call-Off Contract is conditional on receipt of a Guarantee that is acceptable to the Buyer, the Supplier must give the Buyer on or before the Start date:
- 17.1.1 an executed Guarantee in the form at Schedule 5
- 17.1.2 a certified copy of the passed resolution or board minutes of the guarantor approving the execution of the Guarantee

## 18. Ending the Call-Off Contract

- 18.1 The Buyer can End this Call-Off Contract at any time by giving 30 days' written notice to the Supplier, unless a shorter period is specified in the Order Form. The Supplier's obligation to provide the Services will end on the date in the notice.
- 18.2 The Parties agree that the:
- 18.2.1 Buyer's right to End the Call-Off Contract under clause 18.1 is reasonable considering the type of cloud Service being provided
- 18.2.2 Call-Off Contract Charges paid during the notice period is reasonable compensation and covers all the Supplier's avoidable costs or Losses
- 18.3 Subject to clause 24 (Liability), if the Buyer Ends this Call-Off Contract under clause 18.1, it will indemnify the Supplier against any commitments, liabilities or expenditure which result in any unavoidable Loss by the Supplier, provided that the Supplier takes all reasonable steps to mitigate the Loss. If the Supplier has insurance, the Supplier will reduce its unavoidable costs by any insurance sums available. The Supplier will submit a fully itemised and costed list of the unavoidable Loss with supporting evidence.
- 18.4 The Buyer will have the right to End this Call-Off Contract at any time with immediate effect by written notice to the Supplier if either the Supplier commits:
- 18.4.1 a Supplier Default and if the Supplier Default cannot, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer, be remedied
- 18.4.2 any fraud

- 18.5 A Party can End this Call-Off Contract at any time with immediate effect by written notice if:
- 18.5.1 the other Party commits a Material Breach of any term of this Call-Off Contract (other than failure to pay any amounts due) and, if that breach is remediable, fails to remedy it within 15 Working Days of being notified in writing to do so
  - 18.5.2 an Insolvency Event of the other Party happens
  - 18.5.3 the other Party ceases or threatens to cease to carry on the whole or any material part of its business
- 18.6 If the Buyer fails to pay the Supplier undisputed sums of money when due, the Supplier must notify the Buyer and allow the Buyer 5 Working Days to pay. If the Buyer doesn't pay within 5 Working Days, the Supplier may End this Call-Off Contract by giving the length of notice in the Order Form.
- 18.7 A Party who isn't relying on a Force Majeure event will have the right to End this Call-Off Contract if clause 23.1 applies.
19. Consequences of suspension, ending and expiry
- 19.1 If a Buyer has the right to End a Call-Off Contract, it may elect to suspend this Call-Off Contract or any part of it.
- 19.2 Even if a notice has been served to End this Call-Off Contract or any part of it, the Supplier must continue to provide the Ordered G-Cloud Services until the dates set out in the notice.
- 19.3 The rights and obligations of the Parties will cease on the Expiry Date or End Date whichever applies) of this Call-Off Contract, except those continuing provisions described in clause 19.4.
- 19.4 Ending or expiry of this Call-Off Contract will not affect:
- 19.4.1 any rights, remedies or obligations accrued before its Ending or expiration
  - 19.4.2 the right of either Party to recover any amount outstanding at the time of Ending or expiry
  - 19.4.3 the continuing rights, remedies or obligations of the Buyer or the Supplier under clauses
    - 7 (Payment, VAT and Call-Off Contract charges)
    - 8 (Recovery of sums due and right of set-off)
    - 9 (Insurance)
    - 10 (Confidentiality)
    - 11 (Intellectual property rights)
    - 12 (Protection of information)
    - 13 (Buyer data)
    - 19 (Consequences of suspension, ending and expiry)
    - 24 (Liability); incorporated Framework Agreement clauses: 4.2 to 4.7 (Liability)
    - 8.44 to 8.50 (Conflicts of interest and ethical walls)
    - 8.89 to 8.90 (Waiver and cumulative remedies)



19.4.4 any other provision of the Framework Agreement or this Call-Off Contract which expressly or by implication is in force even if it Ends or expires

19.5 At the end of the Call-Off Contract Term, the Supplier must promptly:

19.5.1 return all Buyer Data including all copies of Buyer software, code and any other software licensed by the Buyer to the Supplier under it

19.5.2 return any materials created by the Supplier under this Call-Off Contract if the IPRs are owned by the Buyer

19.5.3 stop using the Buyer Data and, at the direction of the Buyer, provide the Buyer with a complete and uncorrupted version in electronic form in the formats and on media agreed with the Buyer

19.5.4 destroy all copies of the Buyer Data when they receive the Buyer's written instructions to do so or 12 calendar months after the End or Expiry Date, and provide written confirmation to the Buyer that the data has been securely destroyed, except if the retention of Buyer Data is required by Law

19.5.5 work with the Buyer on any ongoing work

19.5.6 return any sums prepaid for Services which have not been delivered to the Buyer, within 10 Working Days of the End or Expiry Date

19.6 Each Party will return all of the other Party's Confidential Information and confirm this has been done, unless there is a legal requirement to keep it or this Call-Off Contract states otherwise.

19.7 All licences, leases and authorisations granted by the Buyer to the Supplier will cease at the end of the Call-Off Contract Term without the need for the Buyer to serve notice except if this Call-Off Contract states otherwise.

## 20. Notices

20.1 Any notices sent must be in writing. For the purpose of this clause, an email is accepted as being 'in writing'.

- Manner of delivery: email
- Deemed time of delivery: 9am on the first Working Day after sending
- Proof of service: Sent in an emailed letter in PDF format to the correct email address without any error message

20.2 This clause does not apply to any legal action or other method of dispute resolution which should be sent to the addresses in the Order Form (other than a dispute notice under this Call-Off Contract).