**Schedule 28 (ICT Services)**

1. **Definitions**
	1. In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions):

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| **"Emergency Maintenance"** | ad hoc and unplanned maintenance provided by the Supplier where either Party reasonably suspects that the ICT Environment or the Services, or any part of the ICT Environment or the Services, has or may have developed a fault; |
| **"Licensed Software"** | all and any Software licensed by or through the Supplier, its Sub-Contractors or any third party to the Buyer for the purposes of or pursuant to this Contract, including any COTS Software; |
| **"Maintenance Schedule"** | has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8 of this Schedule; |
| **"New Release"** | an item produced primarily to extend, alter or improve the Software and/or any Deliverable by providing additional functionality or performance enhancement (whether or not defects in the Software and/or Deliverable are also corrected) while still retaining the original designated purpose of that item; |
| **"Operating Environment"** | means the Buyer System and any premises (including the Buyer Premises, the Supplier’s premises or third party premises) from, to or at which:the Deliverables are (or are to be) provided; or the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables; orwhere any part of the Supplier System is situated; |
| **"Permitted Maintenance"** | has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.2 of this Schedule; |
| **"Quality Plans"** | has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.1 of this Schedule; |
| **"Sites"** | has the meaning given to it in Schedule 1 (Definitions), and for the purposes of this Schedule shall also include any premises from, to or at which physical interface with the Buyer System takes place; |

1. **When this Schedule should be used**
	1. This Schedule is designed to provide additional provisions necessary to facilitate the provision of ICT Services which are part of the Deliverables.
2. **Buyer due diligence requirement**
	1. The Supplier shall satisfy itself of all relevant details, including but not limited to, details relating to the following:
		1. suitability of the existing and (to the extent that it is defined or reasonably foreseeable at the Effective Date) future Operating Environment;
		2. operating processes and procedures and the working methods of the Buyer;
		3. ownership, functionality, capacity, condition and suitability for use in the provision of the Deliverables of the Buyer Assets; and
		4. existing contracts (including any licences, support, maintenance and other contracts relating to the Operating Environment) referred to in the Due Diligence Information which may be novated to, assigned to or managed by the Supplier under this Contract and/or which the Supplier will require the benefit of for the provision of the Deliverables.
	2. The Supplier confirms that it has advised the Buyer in writing of:
		1. each aspect, if any, of the Operating Environment that is not suitable for the provision of the ICT Services;
		2. the actions needed to remedy each such unsuitable aspect; and
		3. a timetable for and the costs of those actions.
3. **Licensed software warranty**
	1. The Supplier represents and warrants that:
		1. it has and shall continue to have all necessary rights in and to the Licensed Software made available by the Supplier (and/or any Sub-Contractor) to the Buyer which are necessary for the performance of the Supplier’s obligations under this Contract including the receipt of the Deliverables by the Buyer;
		2. all components of the Specially Written Software shall:
			1. be free from material design and programming errors;
			2. perform in all material respects in accordance with the relevant specifications contained in Schedule 10 (Service Levels) and Documentation; and
			3. not infringe any IPR.
4. **Provision of ICT Services**
	1. The Supplier shall:
		1. ensure that the release of any new COTS Software in which the Supplier owns the IPR, or upgrade to any Software in which the Supplier owns the IPR complies with the interface requirements of the Buyer and (except in relation to new Software or upgrades which are released to address Malicious Software) shall notify the Buyer three (3) Months before the release of any new COTS Software or upgrade;
		2. ensure that all Software including upgrades, updates and New Releases used by or on behalf of the Supplier are currently supported versions of that Software and perform in all material respects in accordance with the relevant specification;
		3. ensure that the Supplier System will be free of all encumbrances;
		4. ensure that the Deliverables are fully compatible with any Buyer Software, Buyer System, or otherwise used by the Supplier in connection with this Contract;
		5. minimise any disruption to the Services and the ICT Environment and/or the Buyer's operations when providing the Deliverables.
5. **Standards and Quality Requirements**
	1. The Supplier shall develop, in the timescales specified in the Award Form, quality plans that ensure that all aspects of the Deliverables are the subject of quality management systems and are consistent with BS EN ISO 9001 or any equivalent standard which is generally recognised as having replaced it ("**Quality Plans**")**.**
	2. The Supplier shall seek Approval from the Buyer (not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) of the Quality Plans before implementing them. Approval shall not act as an endorsement of the Quality Plans and shall not relieve the Supplier of its responsibility for ensuring that the Deliverables are provided to the standard required by this Contract.
	3. Following the approval of the Quality Plans, the Supplier shall provide all Deliverables in accordance with the Quality Plans.
	4. The Supplier shall ensure that the Supplier Personnel shall at all times during the Contract Period:
		1. be appropriately experienced, qualified and trained to supply the Deliverables in accordance with this Contract;
		2. apply all due skill, care, diligence in faithfully performing those duties and exercising such powers as necessary in connection with the provision of the Deliverables; and
		3. obey all lawful instructions and reasonable directions of the Buyer (including, if so required by the Buyer, the ICT Policy) and provide the Deliverables to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer.
6. **ICT Audit**
	1. The Supplier shall allow any auditor access to the Supplier premises to:
		1. inspect the ICT Environment and the wider service delivery environment (or any part of them);
		2. review any records created during the design and development of the Supplier System and pre-operational environment such as information relating to Testing;
		3. review the Supplier’s quality management systems including all relevant Quality Plans.
7. **Maintenance of the ICT Environment**
	1. If specified by the Buyer in the Award Form, the Supplier shall create and maintain a rolling schedule of planned maintenance to the ICT Environment ("**Maintenance Schedule**") and make it available to the Buyer for Approval in accordance with the timetable and instructions specified by the Buyer.
	2. Once the Maintenance Schedule has been Approved, the Supplier shall only undertake such planned maintenance (which shall be known as "**Permitted Maintenance**") in accordance with the Maintenance Schedule.
	3. The Supplier shall give as much notice as is reasonably practicable to the Buyer prior to carrying out any Emergency Maintenance.
	4. The Supplier shall carry out any necessary maintenance (whether Permitted Maintenance or Emergency Maintenance) where it reasonably suspects that the ICT Environment and/or the Services or any part thereof has or may have developed a fault. Any such maintenance shall be carried out in such a manner and at such times so as to avoid (or where this is not possible so as to minimise) disruption to the ICT Environment and the provision of the Deliverables.
8. **Malicious Software**
	1. The Supplier shall, throughout the Contract Period, use the latest versions of anti-virus definitions and software available from an industry accepted anti-virus software vendor to check for, contain the spread of, and minimise the impact of Malicious Software.
	2. If Malicious Software is found, the Parties shall co-operate to reduce the effect of the Malicious Software and, particularly if Malicious Software causes loss of operational efficiency or loss or corruption of Government Data, assist each other to mitigate any losses and to restore the provision of the Deliverables to its desired operating efficiency.
	3. Any cost arising out of the actions of the Parties taken in compliance with the provisions of Paragraph 9.2 shall be borne by the Parties as follows:
		1. by the Supplier, where the Malicious Software originates from the Supplier Software, the third party Software supplied by the Supplier or the Government Data (whilst the Government Data was under the control of the Supplier) unless the Supplier can demonstrate that such Malicious Software was present and not quarantined or otherwise identified by the Buyer when provided to the Supplier; and
		2. by the Buyer, if the Malicious Software originates from the Buyer Software or the Buyer Data (whilst the Buyer Data was under the control of the Buyer).