

# Terms and Conditions of Blue Ocean Law Group

These Terms govern

- the use of Blue Ocean Law Group, and,
- any other related Agreement or legal relationship with the Owner

in a legally binding way. Capitalised words are defined in the relevant dedicated section of this document.

The User must read this document carefully.

Nothing in these Terms creates any relationship of employment, agency, or partnership between the involved parties.

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"Blue Ocean Law Group" refers to

- this website, including its subdomains and any other website through which the Owner makes its Service available;
- applications for mobile, tablet and other smart device systems;
- the Application Program Interfaces (API);
- the Service;
- any applications, sample and content files, source code, scripts, instruction sets or software included as part of the Service, as well as any related documentation;

## What the User should know at a glance

- Please note that some provisions in these Terms may only apply to certain categories of Users. In particular, certain provisions may only apply to Consumers or to those Users that do not qualify as Consumers. Such limitations are always explicitly mentioned within each affected clause. In the absence of any such mention, clauses apply to all Users.
- **Usage of Blue Ocean Law Group and the Service is age restricted** : to access and use Blue Ocean Law Group and its Service the User must be an adult under applicable law.
- Minors may access Blue Ocean Law Group and use its Service only under parental or adult supervision.
- The right of withdrawal on Blue Ocean Law Group applies to all Users, including those Users that do not qualify as Consumers.

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## TERMS OF USE

Unless otherwise specified, the terms of use detailed in this section apply generally when using Blue Ocean Law Group.

Single or additional conditions of use or access may apply in specific scenarios and in such cases are additionally indicated within this document.

By using Blue Ocean Law Group, Users confirm to meet the following requirements:

- There are no restrictions for Users in terms of being Consumers or Business Users;
- Users must be recognised as adult by applicable law;

- Minors may only use Blue Ocean Law Group under parental or adult supervision;
- Users aren't located in a country that is subject to a U.S. Government embargo, or that has been designated by the U.S. Government as a "terrorist-supporting" country;
- Users aren't listed on any U.S. Government list of prohibited or restricted parties;

## **Account registration**

To use the Service Users may register or create a User account, providing all required data or information in a complete and truthful manner.

Users may also use the Service without registering or creating a User account, however, this may cause limited availability of certain features or functions.

Users are responsible for keeping their login credentials confidential and safe. For this reason, Users are also required to choose passwords that meet the highest standards of strength permitted by Blue Ocean Law Group.

By registering, Users agree to be fully responsible for all activities that occur under their username and password.

Users are required to immediately and unambiguously inform the Owner via the contact details indicated in this document, if they think their personal information, including but not limited to User accounts, access credentials or personal data, have been violated, unduly disclosed or stolen.

## **Conditions for account registration**

Registration of User accounts on Blue Ocean Law Group is subject to the conditions outlined below. By registering, Users agree to meet such conditions.

- Accounts registered by bots or any other automated methods are not permitted.
- Unless otherwise specified, each User must register only one account.
- Unless explicitly permitted, a User account may not be shared with other persons.

## **Account termination**

Users can terminate their account and stop using the Service at any time by doing the following:

- By directly contacting the Owner at the contact details provided in this document.

## **Account suspension and deletion**

The Owner reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to suspend or delete at any time and without notice, User accounts that it deems inappropriate, offensive or in violation of these Terms.

The suspension or deletion of User accounts shall not entitle Users to any claims for compensation, damages or reimbursement.

The suspension or deletion of accounts due to causes attributable to the User does not exempt the User from paying any applicable fees or prices.

## **Content on Blue Ocean Law Group**

Unless where otherwise specified or clearly recognisable, all content available on Blue Ocean Law Group is owned or provided by the Owner or its licensors.

The Owner undertakes its utmost effort to ensure that the content provided on Blue Ocean Law Group infringes no applicable legal provisions or third-party rights. However, it may not always be possible to achieve such a result.

In such cases, without prejudice to any legal prerogatives of Users to enforce their rights, Users are kindly asked to preferably report related complaints using the contact details provided in this document.

## **Rights regarding content on Blue Ocean Law Group - All rights reserved**

The Owner holds and reserves all intellectual property rights for any such content.

Users may not, therefore, use such content in any way that is not necessary or implicit in the proper use of the Service.

In particular, but without limitation, Users may not copy, download, share (beyond the limits set forth below), modify, translate, transform, publish, transmit, sell, sublicense, edit, transfer/assign to third parties or create derivative works from the content available on Blue Ocean Law Group, nor allow any third party to do so through the User or their device, even without the User's knowledge.

Where explicitly stated on Blue Ocean Law Group, the User may download, copy and/or share some content available through Blue Ocean Law Group for its sole personal and non-commercial use and provided that the copyright attributions and all the other attributions requested by the Owner are correctly implemented.

Any applicable statutory limitation or exception to copyright shall stay unaffected.

## **Content provided by Users**

The Owner allows Users to upload, share or provide their own content to Blue Ocean Law Group.

By providing content to Blue Ocean Law Group, Users confirm that they are legally allowed to do so and that they are not infringing any statutory provisions and/or third-party rights.

Further insights regarding acceptable content can be found inside the section of these Terms which detail the acceptable uses.

## **Rights regarding content provided by Users**

Users acknowledge and accept that by providing their own content on Blue Ocean Law Group they grant the Owner a non-exclusive, fully paid-up and royalty-free licence to process such content solely for the operation and maintenance of Blue Ocean Law Group as contractually required.

To the extent permitted by applicable law, Users waive any moral rights in connection with content they provide to Blue Ocean Law Group.

Users acknowledge, accept and confirm that all content they provide through Blue Ocean Law Group is provided subject to the same general conditions set forth for content on Blue Ocean Law Group.

Users are solely liable for any content they upload, post, share, or provide through Blue Ocean Law Group.

Users acknowledge and accept that the Owner filters or moderates such content after it has been made available.

Therefore, the Owner reserves the right to refuse, remove, delete, or block such content at its own discretion and to deny access to Blue Ocean Law Group to the uploading User without prior notice, if it considers such content to infringe these Terms, any applicable legal provision or third-party right, or to otherwise represent a risk for Users, third parties, the Owner and/or the availability of the Service.

The removal, deletion or blocking of content shall not entitle Users that have provided such content or that are liable for it, to any claims for compensation, damages or reimbursement.

Users agree to hold the Owner harmless from and against any claim asserted and/or damage suffered due to content they provided to or provided through Blue Ocean Law Group.

## **Access to provided content**

Content that Users provide to Blue Ocean Law Group is made available according to the criteria outlined within this section.

### **Publicly available content**

Content meant for public availability shall be automatically made public on Blue Ocean Law Group upon upload or, at the sole discretion of the Owner, at a later stage.

Any personal data, identifier or any other information that Users upload in connection with such content (such as a User-ID, avatar or nickname etc.) shall also appear in connection with the published content.

Users may (and are encouraged to) check on Blue Ocean Law Group to find details of who can access the content they provide.

## **Access to external resources**

Through Blue Ocean Law Group Users may have access to external resources provided by third parties. Users acknowledge and accept that the Owner has no control over such resources and is therefore not responsible for their content and availability.

Conditions applicable to any resources provided by third parties, including those applicable to any possible grant of rights in content, result from each such third parties' terms and conditions or, in the absence of those, applicable statutory law.

## **How to file a takedown notice (called a "DMCA notice")**

If copyright holders or their agents believe that any content on Blue Ocean Law Group infringes upon their copyrights, they may submit a notification pursuant to the Digital Millennium Copyright Act ("DMCA") by providing the Owner's Copyright Agent with the following information in writing (see 17 U.S.C 512(c)(3) for further detail):

- A physical or electronic signature of a person authorized to act on behalf of the holder of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed;
- Identification of the copyrighted work claimed to have been infringed, or, if multiple copyrighted works at a single online site are covered by a single notification, a representative list of such works at that site;
- Identification of the material that is claimed to be infringing or to be the subject of infringing activity and that is to be removed or access to which is to be disabled and information reasonably sufficient to permit the Owner to locate the material;
- Information reasonably sufficient to permit the Owner to contact the notifying party, such as an address, telephone number, and, if available, an electronic mail;
- A statement that the notifying party has a good faith belief that use of the material in the manner complained of is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or the law; and
- A statement that the information in the notification is accurate, and under penalty of perjury, that the notifying party is authorized to act on behalf of the owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed.

Failure to comply with all of the requirements outlined above may result in invalidity of the DMCA notice.

Copyright infringement notifications may be addressed to the Owner's Copyright Agent at the contact details specified in this document.

## **Acceptable use**

Blue Ocean Law Group and the Service may only be used within the scope of what they are provided for, under these Terms and applicable law.

Users are solely responsible for making sure that their use of Blue Ocean Law Group and/or the Service violates no applicable law, regulations or third-party rights.

Therefore, **the Owner reserves the right to take any appropriate measure to protect its legitimate interests including denying Users access to Blue Ocean Law Group or the Service, terminating contracts, reporting any misconduct performed through Blue Ocean Law Group or the Service to the competent authorities - such as judicial or administrative authorities - whenever Users are suspected to be in violation of any laws, regulations, third-party rights and/or these Terms, including, but not limited to, by engaging in any of the following activities:**

## **Conduct restrictions**

- pretending to fulfil any possible condition or requirements for accessing Blue Ocean Law Group and/or using the Services, such as for instance being adult according to law or qualifying as a Consumer;
- concealing their identity or stealing someone else's identity or pretend to be or represent a third-party, if not allowed to do so by such third-party;
- manipulating identifiers to disguise or otherwise conceal the origin of their messages or of the content posted;
- defaming, abusing, harassing, using threatening practises, threatening or violating the legal rights of others in any other way;
- promoting activity that may endanger the User's life or the life of any other User or lead to physical harm. This includes but is not limited to suicide threats or instigations, intentional physical trauma, the use of illegal drugs, or excessive drinking. Under no circumstance is any User allowed to post any content promoting and/or encouraging and/or showing any self-destructive or violent behaviour on Blue Ocean Law Group;
- probing, scanning or testing the vulnerability of Blue Ocean Law Group, including the services or any network connected to the website, nor breaching the security or authentication measures on Blue Ocean Law Group, including the services or any network connected to Blue Ocean Law Group;
- installing, embedding, uploading or otherwise incorporating any malware into or via Blue Ocean Law Group;
- using Blue Ocean Law Group or the technical infrastructure in an abusive, excessive or otherwise inappropriate way (for example: for spamming purposes);

- attempting to disrupt or tamper with the technical infrastructure in a manner that harms or places an undue burden on Blue Ocean Law Group or the Service;

### **Excessive use of the Service**

- using a resource of Blue Ocean Law Group excessively in relation to other Users of Blue Ocean Law Group – in such cases, the Owner, at its sole discretion, additionally reserves the right to suspend the User's account or limit the related activity until the User reduces the excessive consumption;

### **Scraping**

- adopting any automated process to extract, harvest or scrape information, data and/or content from Blue Ocean Law Group and all the digital properties thereto related unless where explicitly allowed to do so by the Owner;

### **Content restrictions**

- disseminating or publishing content that is unlawful, obscene, illegitimate, libelous or inappropriate;
- publishing any content that promotes, either directly or indirectly, hate, racism, discrimination, pornography, violence;
- disseminating or publishing any content that is false or may create unjustified alarm;
- using Blue Ocean Law Group to publish, disseminate or otherwise provide content protected by intellectual property laws, including but not limited to patent, trademark or copyright law, unlawfully and without the legitimate right-holder's consent;
- using Blue Ocean Law Group to publish, disseminate or otherwise make available any other content which infringes on any third-party rights, including but not limited to state, military, trade or professional secrets and personal data;
- publishing any content or carrying out any activity that disrupts, interrupts, harms, or otherwise violates the integrity of Blue Ocean Law Group or another User's experience or devices. Such activities include: spamming, distributing unauthorised advertisements, phishing, defrauding others, spreading malware or viruses etc.;

### **User protection**

- misappropriating any account in use by another User;
- harvesting or collecting any personally identifying information of other Users including but not limited to their email addresses or contact information, by circumventing the privacy setting of other Users' accounts on Blue Ocean Law Group or by any other means;
- using any information relating to other Users, including personal or contact data, for purposes other than those Blue Ocean Law Group is intended for;

### **Commercial use restrictions**

- registering or using Blue Ocean Law Group in order to promote, sell or advertise products or services of any kind in any way;
- indicating or trying to imply in any manner, that a User stands in a qualified relationship with Blue Ocean Law Group or that Blue Ocean Law Group has endorsed the User, the User's products or services or any third party's products and services for any purpose;

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE**

### **Paid Products**

Some of the Products provided on Blue Ocean Law Group, as part of the Service, are provided on the basis of payment.

The fees, duration and conditions applicable to the purchase of such Products are described below and in the dedicated sections of Blue Ocean Law Group.

### **Product description**

Prices, descriptions or availability of Products are outlined in the respective sections of Blue Ocean Law Group and are subject to change without notice.

While Products on Blue Ocean Law Group are presented with the greatest accuracy technically possible, representation on Blue Ocean Law Group through any means (including, as the case may be, graphic material, images, colours, sounds) is for reference only and implies no warranty as to the characteristics of

the purchased Product.

The characteristics of the chosen Product will be outlined during the purchasing process.

**The offer of Products is nonbinding. In order to complete the purchase, Users are requested to submit a binding order. Only once such order is accepted is the contract concluded.**

## **Purchasing process**

Any steps taken from choosing a Product to order submission form part of the purchasing process.

The purchasing process includes these steps:

- Users must choose the desired Product and verify their purchase selection.
- After having reviewed the information displayed in the purchase selection, Users may place the order by submitting it.

## **Order submission**

When the User submits an order, the following applies:

- Each order submitted constitutes an offer to purchase. The submission of the order creates for the User the obligation to pay the price, taxes and possible further fees and expenses, as specified on the order page.
- In case the purchased Product requires an action from the User, such as the provision of personal information or data, specifications or special wishes, the order submission creates an obligation for the User to cooperate accordingly.
- Upon submission of the order, Users will receive a receipt. Unless stated otherwise in the relevant communication, the aforementioned receipt merely indicates reception of the order and does not constitute acceptance of the order.

## **Order acceptance**

- Unless the order receipt expressly includes the acceptance of the order, in which case the contract is therefore then entered into, the purchase contract is entered into at the moment the User receives the communication of order acceptance.
- Subject to availability and to the Owner's discretion, the order shall be accepted without undue delay.
- If the order is not accepted, the Owner shall issue a refund.

The rejection of an order shall not entitle the User to bring any claim against the Owner, including compensation for damages.

All notifications related to the described purchasing process shall be sent to the email address provided by the User for such purposes.

## **Prices**

Users are informed during the purchasing process and before order submission, about any fees, taxes and costs (including, if any, delivery costs) that they will be charged.

Prices on Blue Ocean Law Group are displayed:

- including all applicable fees, taxes and costs.

## **Offers and discounts**

The Owner may offer discounts or provide special offers for the purchase of Products. Any such offer or discount shall always be subject to the eligibility criteria and the terms and conditions set out in the corresponding section of Blue Ocean Law Group.

Offers and discounts are always granted at the Owner's sole discretion.

Repeated or recurring offers or discounts create no claim/title or right that Users may enforce in the future.

Depending on the case, discounts or offers shall be valid for a limited time only or while stocks last. If an offer or discount is limited by time, the time indications refer to the time zone of the Owner, as indicated in the Owner's location details in this document, unless otherwise specified.

## **Coupons**

Offers or discounts can be based on Coupons.

If breach of the conditions applicable to Coupons occurs, the Owner can legitimately refuse to fulfil its contractual obligations and expressly reserves the right to take appropriate legal action to protect its rights and interests.

Notwithstanding the provisions below, any additional or diverging rules applicable to using the Coupon displayed in the corresponding information page or on the Coupon itself shall always prevail.

Unless otherwise stated, these rules apply to the use of Coupons:

- Each Coupon is only valid when used in the manner and within the timeframe specified on the website and/or the Coupon;
- A Coupon may only be applied, in its entirety, at the actual time of purchase – partial use is not permitted;
- Unless otherwise stated, single-use Coupons may only be used once per purchase and therefore may only be applied a single time even in cases involving instalment-based purchases;
- A Coupon cannot be applied cumulatively;
- The Coupon must be redeemed exclusively within the time specified in the offer. After this period, the Coupon will automatically expire, precluding any possibility for the User to claim the relevant rights, including cash-out;
- The User is not entitled to any credit/refund/compensation if there is a difference between the value of the Coupon and the redeemed value;
- The Coupon is intended solely for non-commercial use. Any reproduction, counterfeiting and commercial trade of the Coupon is strictly forbidden, along with any illegal activity related to the purchase and/or use of the Coupon.

## **Methods of payment**

Information related to accepted payment methods are made available during the purchasing process.

Some payment methods may only be available subject to additional conditions or fees. In such cases related information can be found in the dedicated section of Blue Ocean Law Group.

Payment methods marked accordingly are managed directly by the Owner. In this case, the Owner collects and stores the data necessary for the processing of payments and for fulfilling any legal obligation related to them. The User may read the privacy policy of Blue Ocean Law Group to learn more about the data processing and Users' rights regarding their data.

Other payment methods – if any – are independently provided by third-party services. In such cases Blue Ocean Law Group collects no payment information – such as credit card details – but only receives a notification from the relevant third-party provider once the payment has been successfully completed.

If payment through the available methods fail, the Owner shall be under no obligation to fulfil the purchase order. If a payment fails or is refused, the Owner reserves the right to claim any related expenses or damages from the User.

## **Payment of price in installments**

The payment of the purchase price may be settled in two or more instalments, within the deadlines specified on Blue Ocean Law Group or otherwise communicated by the Owner.

Specific Products may be excluded from this payment model.

If the User fails to meet any of the payment deadlines, the entire outstanding amount shall become immediately due and payable.

## **Authorization for future PayPal payment**

If Users authorise the PayPal feature which allows future purchases, Blue Ocean Law Group will store an identification code linked to the Users' PayPal account. This will authorise Blue Ocean Law Group to automatically process payments for future purchases or recurring instalments of past purchases.

This authorisation can be revoked at any time, either by contacting the Owner or by changing the user settings offered by PayPal.

## **Retention of Product ownership**

Until payment of the total purchase price is received by the Owner, any Products ordered shall not become the User's property.

## **Retention of usage rights**

Users do not acquire any rights to use the purchased Product until the total purchase price is received by the Owner.

## **Contractual right of cancellation**

The Owner grants Users a contractual right to cancel the purchase under the terms and conditions described in the relevant section of Blue Ocean Law Group within 14 days of concluding the contract.

## **Delivery**

### **Delivery of digital content**

Unless otherwise stated, digital content purchased on Blue Ocean Law Group is delivered via download on the device(s) chosen by Users.

Users acknowledge and accept that in order to download and/or use the Product, the intended device(s) and its respective software (including operating systems) must be legal, commonly used, up-to-date, and consistent with current market-standards.

Users acknowledge and accept that the ability to download the purchased Product may be limited in time and space.

### **Performance of services**

The purchased service shall be performed or made available within the timeframe specified on Blue Ocean Law Group or as communicated before the order submission.

## **Contract duration**

### **Subscriptions**

Subscriptions allow Users to receive a Product continuously or regularly over time. Details regarding the type of subscription and termination are outlined below.

### **Open-ended subscriptions**

Paid subscriptions begin on the day the payment is received by the Owner.

In order to maintain subscriptions, Users must pay the required recurring fee in a timely manner. Failure to do so may cause service interruptions.

### **Termination of open-ended subscriptions**

**Open-ended subscriptions may be terminated at any time by sending a clear and unambiguous termination notice to the Owner using the contact details provided in this document, or — if applicable — by using the corresponding controls inside this Application.**

**Terminations shall take effect 1 days after the notice of termination has been received by the Owner.**

### **Terms and conditions applying to extra features**

Users that have an active subscription may purchase single extra add-ons or features, described in the relevant section of Blue Ocean Law Group.

Prices, duration, terms of use and termination of such extras may differ from those of the main Product and, unless otherwise specified, do not influence the prices, duration, terms of use and termination of the latter.

## **User rights**

### **Right of withdrawal**

Unless exceptions apply, the User may be eligible to withdraw from the contract within the period specified below (generally 14 days), for any reason and without justification. Users can learn more about the withdrawal conditions within this section.

## **Who the right of withdrawal applies to**

The right of withdrawal is a right designed for European Consumers in the case of distance contracts (because the User is not able to see or try the Products before closing the contract). Withdrawal from the contract terminates the obligation of the contracting parties to perform the contract.

**On Blue Ocean Law Group the right of withdrawal applies to all Users, without prejudice to any more specific rights available to Users based on applicable law and/or this document.**

Unless any exception mentioned below applies, if any, Users have a right to withdraw from the contract within the specified period applicable to their case, for any reason and without justification.

## **Exercising the right of withdrawal**

To exercise their right of withdrawal, Users must send to the Owner an unequivocal statement of their intention to withdraw from the contract.

To this end, Users may use the model withdrawal form available from within the “definitions” section of this document. Users are, however, free to express their intention to withdraw from the contract by making an unequivocal statement in any other suitable way. In order to meet the deadline within which they can exercise such right, Users must send the withdrawal notice before the withdrawal period expires.

When does the withdrawal period expire?

- **Regarding the purchase of a service**, the withdrawal period expires 14 days after the day that the contract is entered into, unless the User has waived the withdrawal right.
- **In case of purchase of a digital content not supplied in a tangible medium**, the withdrawal period expires 14 days after the day that the contract is entered into, unless the User has waived the withdrawal right.

## **Effects of withdrawal**

Users who correctly withdraw from a contract will be reimbursed by the Owner for all payments made to the Owner, including, if any, those covering the costs of delivery.

However, any additional costs resulting from the choice of a particular delivery method other than the least expensive type of standard delivery offered by the Owner, will not be reimbursed.

Such reimbursement shall be made without undue delay and, in any event, no later than 14 days from the day on which the Owner is informed of the User’s decision to withdraw from the contract. Unless otherwise agreed with the User, reimbursements will be made using the same means of payment as used to process the initial transaction. In any event, the User shall not incur any costs or fees as a result of such reimbursement.

### **...on the purchase of services**

Where a User exercises the right of withdrawal after having requested that the service be performed before the withdrawal period expires, the User shall pay to the Owner an amount which is in proportion to the part of service provided.

Such payment shall be calculated based on the fee contractually agreed upon, and be proportional to the part of service provided until the time the User withdraws, compared with the full coverage of the contract.

## **UK User rights**

### **Right to cancel**

Unless exceptions apply, Users who are Consumers in the United Kingdom have a legal right of cancellation under UK law and may be eligible to withdraw from contracts made online (distance contracts) within the period specified below (generally 14 days), for any reason and without justification.

Users that do not qualify as Consumers, cannot benefit from the rights described in this section. Users can learn more about the cancellation conditions within this section.

### **Exercising the right to cancel**

To exercise their right to cancel, Users must send to the Owner an unequivocal statement of their intention to withdraw from the contract. To this end, Users may use the model withdrawal form available from within

the “definitions” section of this document. Users are, however, free to express their intention to withdraw from the contract by making an unequivocal statement in any other suitable way. In order to meet the deadline within which they can exercise such right, Users must send the withdrawal notice before the cancellation period expires. When does the cancellation period expire?

- **Regarding the purchase of goods**, the cancellation period expires 14 days after the day on which the User or a third party – other than the carrier and designated by the User – takes physical possession of the goods.
- **Regarding the purchase of several goods ordered together** but delivered separately or in case of purchase of a single good consisting of multiple lots or pieces delivered separately, the cancellation period expires 14 days after the day on which the User or a third party – other than the carrier and designated by the User – acquires physical possession of the last good, lot or piece.

#### **Effects of cancellation**

Users who correctly withdraw from a contract will be reimbursed by the Owner for all payments made to the Owner, including, if any, those covering the costs of delivery.

However, any additional costs resulting from the choice of a particular delivery method other than the least expensive type of standard delivery offered by the Owner, will not be reimbursed.

Such reimbursement shall be made without undue delay and, in any event, no later than 14 days from the day on which the Owner is informed of the User’s decision to withdraw from the contract. Unless otherwise agreed with the User, reimbursements will be made using the same means of payment as used to process the initial transaction. In any event, the User shall not incur any costs or fees as a result of such reimbursement.

#### **...on the purchase of physical goods**

Unless the Owner has offered to collect the goods, Users shall send back the goods or hand them over to the Owner, or to a person authorized by the latter to receive the goods, without undue delay and in any event within 14 days from the day on which they communicated their decision to withdraw from the contract.

The deadline is met if the goods are handed to the carrier, or otherwise returned as indicated above, before the expiration of the 14-days-period for returning the goods. The reimbursement may be withheld until reception of the goods, or until Users have supplied evidence of having returned the goods, whichever is the earliest.

Users shall only be liable for any diminished value of the goods resulting from the handling of the goods outside of that which is necessary to establish their nature, characteristics and functioning.

**The costs of returning the goods are borne by the User.**

## **Brazilian User rights**

### **Right of regret**

Unless an applicable exception is stated below, Users who are Consumers in Brazil have a legal right of regret under Brazilian law. This means that the Consumer has the right to withdraw from contracts made online (distance contracts or any contract signed away from business premises) within seven (7) days of the date the contract was entered into or the receipt of the product or service, for any reason and without justification. Users that do not qualify as Consumers, cannot benefit from the rights described in this section. The right of regret may be exercised by the Consumer via contact channels listed at the beginning of this document and in accordance with the guidelines in this section.

#### **Exercising the right of regret**

To exercise their right of regret, Users must send to the Owner an unequivocal statement of their intention to withdraw from the contract. To this end, Users may use the model withdrawal form available from within the “definitions” section of this document. Users are, however, free to express their intention to withdraw from the contract by making an unequivocal statement in any other suitable way. In order to meet the deadline within which they can exercise such right, Users must send the regret notice before the regret period expires. When does the regret period expire?

- **Regarding the purchase of goods**, the regret period expires seven (7) days after the day on which the User or a third party designated by the User – other than the carrier – receives the goods.
- **Regarding the purchase of several goods ordered together** but delivered separately, or in case of the purchase of a single good consisting of multiple lots or pieces delivered separately, the regret

period expires seven (7) days after the day on which the User or a third party designated by the User – other than the carrier receives the last good, lot or piece.

### **Effects of regret**

Users who correctly withdraw from a contract will be reimbursed by the Owner for all payments made to the Owner, including, if any, those covering the costs of delivery.

However, any additional costs resulting from the choice of a particular delivery method other than the least expensive type of standard delivery offered by the Owner, will not be reimbursed.

Such reimbursement shall be made without undue delay and, in any event, no later than 14 days from the day on which the Owner is informed of the User's decision to withdraw from the contract or the actual return of the product, whichever occurs later. Unless otherwise agreed with the User, reimbursements will be made using the same means of payment as used to process the initial transaction. In any event, the User shall not incur any costs or fees as a result of such reimbursement.

### **...on the purchase of physical goods**

Unless the Owner has offered to collect the goods, Users shall send back the goods or hand them over to the Owner, or to a person authorised by the latter to receive the goods, without undue delay and in any event within 14 days from the day on which they communicated their decision to withdraw from the contract.

The deadline is met if the goods are handed to the carrier, or otherwise returned as indicated above, before the expiration of the 14-day period for returning the goods. The reimbursement may be withheld until receipt of the goods, or until Users have supplied evidence of having returned the goods, whichever is the earliest.

Users shall only be liable for any diminished value of the goods resulting from the handling of the goods outside of that which is necessary to establish their nature, characteristics and functioning.

The costs of returning the goods are borne by the Owner.

## **Guarantees**

### **Money-back-guarantee for services**

Without prejudice to any applicable statutory rights, the Owner grants Users the right to cancel the purchase of a service they are unsatisfied with, and obtain a refund, within 15 days from the day on which the contract was entered into.

The Owner shall refund the price of the Product purchased using the same payment method as the original transaction.

In order to make use of this right, Users must send an unambiguous notice to the Owner. While a motivation is not required, Users are kindly asked to specify the reason why they are claiming the money-back-guarantee.

Upon receipt of such notice, the Owner will verify that all conditions applicable to the money-back-guarantee are fulfilled and, if so, refund the purchase price. In this case, Users will no longer have access to the purchased service.

## **Liability and indemnification**

Unless otherwise explicitly stated or agreed with Users, the Owner's liability for damages in connection with the execution of the Agreement shall be excluded, limited and/or reduced to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

### **Indemnification**

The User agrees to indemnify and hold the Owner and its subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners and employees harmless from and against any claim or demand — including but not limited to lawyer's fees and costs — made by any third party due to or in relation with any culpable violation of these Terms, third-party rights or statutory provisions connected to the use of the Service by the User or its affiliates, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners and employees to the extent allowed by applicable law.

### **Limitation of liability**

Unless otherwise explicitly stated and without prejudice to applicable law, Users shall have no right to claim damages against the Owner (or any natural or legal person acting on its behalf).

This does not apply to damages to life, health or physical integrity, damages resulting from the breach of material contractual obligations such as any obligation strictly necessary to achieve the purpose of the contract, and/or damages resulting from intent or gross negligence, as long as Blue Ocean Law Group has been appropriately and correctly used by the User.

Unless damages have been caused by way of intent or gross negligence, or they affect life, health or physical integrity, the Owner shall only be liable to the extent of typical and foreseeable damages at the moment the contract was entered into.

In particular, within the limits stated above, the Owner shall not be liable for:

- any losses that are not the direct consequence of a breach of the Terms by the Owner;
- any loss of business opportunities and any other loss, even indirect, that may be incurred by the User (such as, but not limited to, trading losses, loss of revenue, income, profits or anticipated savings, loss of contracts or business relationships, loss of reputation or goodwill, etc.);
- damages or losses resulting from interruptions or malfunctions of Blue Ocean Law Group due to acts of force majeure, or unforeseen and unforeseeable events and, in any case, independent of the will and beyond the control of the Owner, such as, but not limited to, failures or disruptions of telephone or electrical lines, the Internet and / or other means of transmission, unavailability of websites, strikes, natural disasters, viruses and cyber attacks, interruptions in the delivery of products, third-party services or applications;
- any damage, prejudice or loss occurring due to viruses or other malware contained in or connected to files available for download from the internet or via Blue Ocean Law Group. Users are responsible for implementing sufficient security measures – such as anti-viruses and firewalls to prevent any such infection or attack and for securing backup copies of all data or information exchanged via or uploaded to Blue Ocean Law Group.

Notwithstanding the above, the following limitation applies to all Users not qualifying as Consumers:

In any event of liability, the compensation may not exceed the total payments that have been, will be or would be received by the Owner from the User based on the contract over a period of 12 months, or the period of the duration of the Agreement, if shorter.

## **Australian Users**

### **Limitation of liability**

Nothing in these Terms excludes, restricts or modifies any guarantee, condition, warranty, right or remedy which the User may have under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) or any similar State and Territory legislation and which cannot be excluded, restricted or modified (non-excludable right). To the fullest extent permitted by law, our liability to the User, including liability for a breach of a non-excludable right and liability which is not otherwise excluded under these Terms of Use, is limited, at the Owner's sole discretion, to the re-performance of the services or the payment of the cost of having the services supplied again.

## **US Users**

### **Disclaimer of Warranties**

**Blue Ocean Law Group is provided strictly on an "as is" and "as available" basis. Use of the Service is at Users' own risk. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, the Owner expressly disclaims all conditions, representations, and warranties — whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise, including, but not limited to, any implied warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, or non-infringement of third-party rights. No advice or information, whether oral or written, obtained by the User from the Owner or through the Service will create any warranty not expressly stated herein.**

**Without limiting the foregoing, the Owner, its subsidiaries, affiliates, licensors, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners, suppliers and employees do not warrant that the content is accurate, reliable or correct; that the Service will meet Users' requirements; that the Service will be available at any particular time or location, uninterrupted or secure; that any defects or errors will be corrected; or that the Service is free of viruses or other harmful components. Any content downloaded or otherwise obtained through the use of the Service is**

downloaded at Users' own risk and Users shall be solely responsible for any damage to Users' computer system or mobile device or loss of data that results from such download or Users' use of the Service.

The Owner does not warrant, endorse, guarantee, or assume responsibility for any product or service advertised or offered by a third party through the Service or any hyperlinked website or service, and the Owner shall not be a party to or in any way monitor any transaction between Users and third-party providers of products or services.

The Service may become inaccessible or it may not function properly with Users' web browser, mobile device, and/or operating system. The owner cannot be held liable for any perceived or actual damages arising from Service content, operation, or use of this Service.

Federal law, some states, and other jurisdictions, do not allow the exclusion and limitations of certain implied warranties. The above exclusions may not apply to Users. This Agreement gives Users specific legal rights, and Users may also have other rights which vary from state to state. The disclaimers and exclusions under this agreement shall not apply to the extent prohibited by applicable law.

#### **Limitations of liability**

To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, in no event shall the Owner, and its subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners, suppliers and employees be liable for:

- any indirect, punitive, incidental, special, consequential or exemplary damages, including without limitation damages for loss of profits, goodwill, use, data or other intangible losses, arising out of or relating to the use of, or inability to use, the Service; and
- any damage, loss or injury resulting from hacking, tampering or other unauthorised access or use of the Service or User account or the information contained therein;
- any errors, mistakes, or inaccuracies of content;
- personal injury or property damage, of any nature whatsoever, resulting from User access to or use of the Service;
- any unauthorised access to or use of the Owner's secure servers and/or any and all personal information stored therein;
- any interruption or cessation of transmission to or from the Service;
- any bugs, viruses, trojan horses, or the like that may be transmitted to or through the Service;
- any errors or omissions in any content or for any loss or damage incurred as a result of the use of any content posted, emailed, transmitted, or otherwise made available through the Service; and/or
- the defamatory, offensive, or illegal conduct of any User or third party. In no event shall the Owner, and its subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners, suppliers and employees be liable for any claims, proceedings, liabilities, obligations, damages, losses or costs in an amount exceeding the amount paid by User to the Owner hereunder in the preceding 12 months, or the period of duration of this agreement between the Owner and User, whichever is shorter.

This limitation of liability section shall apply to the fullest extent permitted by law in the applicable jurisdiction whether the alleged liability is based on contract, tort, negligence, strict liability, or any other basis, even if the User has been advised of the possibility of such damage.

Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, therefore the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to the User. The terms give User specific legal rights, and User may also have other rights which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. The disclaimers, exclusions, and limitations of liability under the terms shall not apply to the extent prohibited by applicable law.

#### **Indemnification**

The User agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the Owner and its subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners, suppliers and employees harmless from and against any and all claims or demands, damages, obligations, losses, liabilities, costs or debt, and expenses, including, but not limited to, legal fees and expenses, arising from

- User's use of and access to the Service, including any data or content transmitted or received by User;
- User's violation of these terms, including, but not limited to, User's breach of any of the representations and warranties set forth in these terms;

- **User’s violation of any third-party rights, including, but not limited to, any right of privacy or intellectual property rights;**
- **User’s violation of any statutory law, rule, or regulation;**
- **any content that is submitted from User’s account, including third party access with User’s unique username, password or other security measure, if applicable, including, but not limited to, misleading, false, or inaccurate information;**
- **User’s willful misconduct; or**
- **statutory provision by User or its affiliates, officers, directors, agents, co-branders, partners, suppliers and employees to the extent allowed by applicable law.**

## **Common provisions**

### **No Waiver**

The Owner’s failure to assert any right or provision under these Terms shall not constitute a waiver of any such right or provision. No waiver shall be considered a further or continuing waiver of such term or any other term.

### **Service interruption**

To ensure the best possible service level, the Owner reserves the right to interrupt the Service for maintenance, system updates or any other changes, informing the Users appropriately.

Within the limits of law, the Owner may also decide to suspend or discontinue the Service altogether. If the Service is discontinued, the Owner will cooperate with Users to enable them to withdraw Personal Data or information and will respect Users' rights relating to continued product use and/or compensation, as provided for by applicable law.

Additionally, the Service might not be available due to reasons outside the Owner’s reasonable control, such as “force majeure” events (infrastructural breakdowns or blackouts etc.).

### **Service reselling**

Users may not reproduce, duplicate, copy, sell, resell or exploit any portion of Blue Ocean Law Group and of its Service without the Owner’s express prior written permission, granted either directly or through a legitimate reselling program.

### **Privacy policy**

For information about the use of their personal data, Users must refer to the privacy policy of Blue Ocean Law Group which is hereby declared to be part of these Terms.

### **Intellectual property rights**

Without prejudice to any more specific provision of these Terms, any intellectual property rights, such as copyrights, trademark rights, patent rights and design rights related to Blue Ocean Law Group are the exclusive property of the Owner or its licensors and are subject to the protection granted by applicable laws or international treaties relating to intellectual property.

All trademarks — nominal or figurative — and all other marks, trade names, service marks, word marks, illustrations, images, or logos appearing in connection with Blue Ocean Law Group are, and remain, the exclusive property of the Owner or its licensors and are subject to the protection granted by applicable laws or international treaties related to intellectual property.

### **Changes to these Terms**

The Owner reserves the right to amend or otherwise modify these Terms at any time. In such cases, the Owner will appropriately inform the User of these changes.

Such changes will only affect the relationship with the User from the date communicated to Users onwards.

**The continued use of the Service will signify the User’s acceptance of the revised Terms.** If Users do not wish to be bound by the changes, they must stop using the Service and may terminate the Agreement.

The applicable previous version will govern the relationship prior to the User's acceptance. The User can obtain any previous version from the Owner.

If legally required, the Owner will notify Users in advance of when the modified Terms will take effect.

### **Exception for Consumers in France**

Regardless of the above, any change of these Terms shall be communicated in writing no later than one month prior to becoming effective. Should Consumers in France not accept the modified Terms, they shall have the right to terminate the Agreement without any penalty nor right to claim compensation up to four months following the day on which the modified Terms have become effective.

### **Assignment of contract**

The Owner reserves the right to transfer, assign, dispose of by novation, or subcontract any or all rights or obligations under these Terms, taking the User's legitimate interests into account. Provisions regarding changes of these Terms will apply accordingly.

Users may not assign or transfer their rights or obligations under these Terms in any way, without the written permission of the Owner.

### **Contacts**

All communications relating to the use of Blue Ocean Law Group must be sent using the contact information stated in this document.

### **Severability**

Should any provision of these Terms be deemed or become invalid or unenforceable under applicable law, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

### **US Users**

Any such invalid or unenforceable provision will be interpreted, construed and reformed to the extent reasonably required to render it valid, enforceable and consistent with its original intent. These Terms constitute the entire Agreement between Users and the Owner with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersede all other communications, including but not limited to all prior agreements, between the parties with respect to such subject matter. These Terms will be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

### **EU Users**

Should any provision of these Terms be or be deemed void, invalid or unenforceable, the parties shall do their best to find, in an amicable way, an agreement on valid and enforceable provisions thereby substituting the void, invalid or unenforceable parts.

In case of failure to do so, the void, invalid or unenforceable provisions shall be replaced by the applicable statutory provisions, if so permitted or stated under the applicable law.

Without prejudice to the above, the nullity, invalidity or impossibility to enforce a particular provision of these Terms shall not nullify the entire Agreement, unless the severed provisions are essential to the Agreement, or of such importance that the parties would not have entered into the contract if they had known that the provision would not be valid, or in cases where the remaining provisions would translate into an unacceptable hardship on any of the parties.

### **Authoritative version of these Terms**

These Terms are drawn up and revised in English (UK). Other language versions of these Terms are provided for information purposes only. In the event of any inconsistency between different linguistic versions, the original version shall always prevail.

### **Governing law**

These Terms are governed by the law of the place where the Owner is based, as disclosed in the relevant section of this document, without regard to conflict of laws principles.

### **Prevalence of national law**

However, regardless of the above, if the law of the country that the User is located in provides for higher applicable consumer protection standards, such higher standards shall prevail.

## Venue of jurisdiction

The exclusive competence to decide on any controversy resulting from or connected to these Terms lies with the courts of the place where the Owner is based, as displayed in the relevant section of this document.

### Exception for Consumers in Europe

The above does not apply to any Users that qualify as European Consumers, nor to Consumers based in the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Norway or Iceland.

### UK Consumers

Consumers based in England and Wales may bring legal proceedings in connection with these Terms in the English and Welsh courts. Consumers based in Scotland may bring legal proceedings in connection with these Terms in either the Scottish or the English courts. Consumers based in Northern Ireland may bring legal proceedings in connection with these Terms in either the Northern Irish or the English courts.

### US Users

**Each party specifically waives any right to trial by jury in any court in connection with any action or litigation.**

**Any claims under these terms shall proceed individually and no party shall join in a class action or other proceeding with or on behalf of others.**

### US Users

#### Surviving provisions

This Agreement shall continue in effect until it is terminated by either Blue Ocean Law Group or the User. Upon termination, the provisions contained in these Terms that by their context are intended to survive termination or expiration will survive, including but not limited to the following:

- the User's grant of licences under these Terms shall survive indefinitely;
- the User's indemnification obligations shall survive for a period of five years from the date of termination;
- the disclaimer of warranties and representations, and the stipulations under the section containing indemnity and limitation of liability provisions, shall survive indefinitely.

## Dispute resolution

### Amicable dispute resolution

Users may bring any disputes to the Owner who will try to resolve them amicably.

While Users' right to take legal action shall always remain unaffected, in the event of any controversy regarding the use of Blue Ocean Law Group or the Service, Users are kindly asked to contact the Owner at the contact details provided in this document.

The User may submit the complaint including a brief description and if applicable, the details of the related order, purchase, or account, to the Owner's email address specified in this document.

The Owner will process the complaint without undue delay and within 21 days of receiving it.

### Online dispute resolution for Consumers

The European Commission has established an online platform for alternative dispute resolutions that facilitates an out-of-court method for solving disputes related to and stemming from online sale and service contracts.

As a result, any European Consumer or Consumer based in Norway, Iceland, or Liechtenstein can use such platform for resolving disputes stemming from contracts which have been entered into online. The platform is [available at the following link](#).

### Germany: Dispute resolution procedure with Consumer conciliation boards

The Owner does not participate in alternative dispute resolution procedures for Consumers under the German Verbraucherstreitbeilegungsgesetz.

## France: Mediation

Within one year of submitting a written complaint to the Owner regarding any dispute stemming from these Terms, Consumers have the right to initiate a mediation procedure before

- any mediation body approved by the French Government. The relevant list is available at the following link: <https://www.economie.gouv.fr/mediation-conso/mediateurs-references>.

## Definitions and legal references

### Blue Ocean Law Group (or this Application)

The property that enables the provision of the Service.

### Agreement

Any legally binding or contractual relationship between the Owner and the User, governed by these Terms.

### Brazilian (or Brazil)

Applies where a User, regardless of nationality, is in Brazil.

### Business User

Any User that does not qualify as a Consumer.

### Coupon

Any code or voucher, in print or electronic form, which allows the User to purchase the Product at a discounted price.

### European (or Europe)

Applies where a User, regardless of nationality, is in the EU.

### Example withdrawal form

*Addressed to:*

*James D. Ford General Practice Lawyer | Founder & M.D. Blue Ocean Law Group c/- Work Club Level 8, 99 Elizabeth Street Sydney NSW 2000  
privacy@blueocean.law*

*I/We hereby give notice that I/we withdraw from my/our contract of sale of the following goods/for the provision of the following service:*

\_\_\_\_\_ *(insert a description of the goods/services that are subject to the respective withdrawal)*

- *Ordered on:* \_\_\_\_\_ *(insert the date)*
- *Received on:* \_\_\_\_\_ *(insert the date)*
- *Name of consumer(s):* \_\_\_\_\_
- *Address of consumer(s):* \_\_\_\_\_
- *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

*(sign if this form is notified on paper)*

### Owner (or We)

Indicates the natural person(s) or legal entity that provides Blue Ocean Law Group and/or the Service to Users.

### Product

A good or service available for purchase through Blue Ocean Law Group, such as e.g. physical goods, digital files, software, booking services etc.

The sale of Products may be part of the Service.

### **Service**

The service provided by Blue Ocean Law Group as described in these Terms and on Blue Ocean Law Group.

### **Terms**

All provisions applicable to the use of Blue Ocean Law Group and/or the Service as described in this document, including any other related documents or agreements, and as updated from time to time.

### **United Kingdom (or UK)**

Applies where a User, regardless of nationality, is in the United Kingdom.

### **User (or You)**

Indicates any natural person or legal entity using Blue Ocean Law Group.

### **Consumer**

Consumer is any User qualifying as such under applicable law.

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