



GNR USA Instruments LLC
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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. DEFINITIONS

"Seller" means GNR USA Instruments LLC, a business unit of GNR Analytical Instruments Group. "Buyer" means the legal entity purchasing Goods from Seller. "Goods" means the products offered by Seller and/or purchased by Buyer. "Offer" means any quote, proposal, or offer to sell Goods provided by Seller to Buyer. "Order" means any purchase order or similar instrument issued by Buyer to Seller to purchase Goods. Seller and Buyer are sometimes referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

2. ACCEPTANCE

The terms and conditions included in this "Terms and Conditions of Sale" document (hereinafter, this "Agreement") apply to all Offers made by Seller to Buyer and all Buyer's Orders accepted by Seller. Acceptance of Buyer's Orders, and any changes or amendments thereto, is expressly conditioned upon Buyer's assent to these terms and conditions. Unless specifically agreed to in writing by a duly authorized representative of Seller, Seller objects to, and is not bound by, any terms or conditions that differ from or add to the terms and conditions specified herein. Seller's failure to object to any terms and conditions or any other provisions contained in any communication from Buyer, including, but not limited to, Buyer's Orders, does not waive any of the terms and conditions specified herein. Seller's acceptance of any resulting Order or Buyer's receipt of Goods, whichever occurs first, will conclusively evidence Buyer's unconditional acceptance of these terms and conditions.

A minimum Order amount of \$100.00 USD applies.

3. PRICES

Unless stated otherwise in writing by Seller, all prices are stated in U.S. Dollars and the prices offered are valid for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of Seller's Offer. The prices offered apply only to the specific quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules set forth in Seller's Offer. Any variation in quantity, specifications, or delivery schedules may necessitate a price and/or delivery schedule adjustment. Unless stated otherwise, all prices for domestic deliveries are F.O.B. Seller's place of shipment, as defined in the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), and all prices for international deliveries are Ex-Works, as defined by INCOTERMS 2000.

4. CREDIT APPROVAL AND PAYMENT

Standard payment terms for products and services are net thirty (30) days from date of Seller's invoice, subject to credit approval of Buyer by Seller. Payment terms for instrument systems are twenty percent (20%) with Order placement, seventy percent (70%) before shipment and the balance net thirty (30) days from the date of Seller's invoice. Payment terms for international orders may be cash in advance by wire transfer or an irrevocable letter of credit confirmed with Seller's bank. Credit terms, shipments, and performance of work are at all times subject to the approval of Seller's Credit Department. Each shipment is a separate and independent transaction and payment must be made by Buyer accordingly. If, prior to shipment of Buyer's Order, Buyer fails to fulfill the terms of payment of any prior invoice submitted by Seller or, if in the opinion of Seller, Buyer's financial condition becomes impaired or unsatisfactory, Seller reserves the right to change, without notice, the terms of payment and/or delay or discontinue further shipments, without prejudice to any other available legal remedies, until past due obligations have been paid and Seller has received acceptable assurance regarding Buyer's prompt payment of future obligations. All amounts due to Seller but not paid by Buyer on the due date bear interest payable by Buyer to Seller in U.S. Dollars at a rate that is equal to the lesser of (i) one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month, or (ii) the maximum interest rate permitted under applicable law. Interest accrues on the balance of unpaid amounts as of the date on which portions of those amounts become due until the date payment is received by Seller. Buyer will also be liable to Seller for any expenses incidental to collection of past due amounts, including reasonable attorney's fees and court costs. In the event of Buyer's

bankruptcy or insolvency, Seller is entitled to terminate any Order then outstanding and to receive reimbursement for termination costs and expenses as provided under Article 13, Termination for Default.

5. TAXES

The amount of any present or future sales, use, excise, import duty, or other tax applicable to the manufacture, sale, or lease of Goods will be added to the invoice and must be paid by Buyer, unless the Buyer provides Seller with a tax exemption certificate acceptable to the applicable taxing authority.

6. SHIPPING TERMS AND RISK OF LOSS

All domestic shipments by Seller are F.O.B. Seller's place of shipment, as defined in the Uniform Commercial Code. All international shipments by Seller are Ex-Works, as defined by INCOTERMS 2000. Risk of loss for Goods will transfer to Buyer upon Seller presenting Goods to carrier. If Seller prepays shipping, insurance, or other related costs, Buyer agrees to reimburse Seller promptly for the actual costs incurred by Seller.

7. TOOLING

Unless otherwise provided by special written agreement signed by Seller and Buyer, all tooling, fixtures, equipment, tools, software, and designs produced, acquired, or used by Seller for the purposes of filling Buyer's Order remain the property of the Seller.

8. PACKING AND PACKAGING

Seller's prices for Goods include Seller's standard commercial packing and packaging. Any non-standard or special packing or packaging requirements requested by Buyer will be provided by Seller at additional cost to Buyer.

9. INSPECTION AND TESTS

All Goods manufactured by Seller are subject to Seller's standard inspection processes and, if applicable, acceptance testing at Seller's facility. Any additional requirements, including, without limitation, Buyer's source inspection or additional testing, are at Buyer's sole expense. If Seller and Buyer agree that Buyer is to inspect or provide for inspection at the place of manufacture, such inspection may not interfere unreasonably with Seller's operations and the Buyer's approval or rejection of Goods based on such source inspection and/or testing must be made prior to shipment of the Goods.

10. EXPORT COMPLIANCE; FOREIGN CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT

For any resale, export, or re-export of the Goods, Buyer must comply with all applicable export regulations, export licensing requirements, and the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), 15 U.S.C. §§ 78dd1 through 78dd3, as amended.

11. DELIVERY SCHEDULES AND FORCE MAJEURE

Shipping dates are approximate and require prompt receipt of all necessary Buyer-furnished information and material if applicable. Seller is not liable for any damages, re-procurement costs, or penalties related to late deliveries. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Seller is not liable for delays due to force majeure, including, but not limited to, weather conditions, acts of God, acts of civil or military authorities, fires, strikes, job actions, floods, earthquakes, epidemics, quarantine restriction, war, terrorism, riot, supplier or vendor delays, or any other causes beyond the reasonable control of Seller. In the event of such delay, Seller will promptly notify Buyer and the date(s) of delivery will be deferred for a period commensurate with the time lost due to the delay. If the excusable delay under force majeure continues for more than ninety (90) days, Seller and Buyer will each have the option of terminating the affected Order(s) under Article 12, Termination for Convenience. If Seller's production is curtailed for any of the above reasons so that Seller is unable to deliver the full quantity of Goods scheduled for delivery to Buyer, Seller may allocate deliveries of available Goods among its various customers then under order for similar Goods. The allocation will be made in a commercially fair and reasonable manner. When such allocation has been made, Buyer will be notified of the estimated quota made available.

12. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

Buyer may request to terminate Buyer's Order for convenience in whole or in part and Seller agrees to cooperate with Buyer in attempting to make such arrangements conditioned on Buyer paying Seller for all deliveries made and for all work in process, including all applicable direct and indirect costs, settlements with suppliers, and related administrative, accounting, and legal costs, plus a normal profit. To the extent possible, Seller will use reasonable commercial efforts to divert materials and work in process from Buyer's Order to other customers' orders in order to minimize Buyer's termination costs.

13. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

Either Party may terminate the Order if the other Party breaches a material provision of this Agreement or of the Order. In the event that a Party (the "Defaulting Party") is in breach of a material provision of this Agreement or the Order, the other Party (the "Non-Defaulting Party") will submit a written cure notice to the Defaulting Party. If the breach Defaulting Party does not cure the breach within the fifteen (15) day period, the Non-Defaulting Party may terminate the Order.

14. CHANGES ORDERS AND AMENDMENTS

All change order requests must be submitted by the Buyer to the Seller in writing and will not be effective unless and until Seller consents in writing to the change(s). Seller will advise Buyer in writing of the price and/or delivery schedule impact, if any, of the change request. Seller's acceptance of changes will be subject to Buyer's agreement to any price and/or delivery schedule adjustments.

15. LIMITED WARRANTY

Seller warrants that the Goods manufactured by Seller will be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of original shipment, except for components and consumables that have shorter third party manufacturer's warranty periods. Components and consumables manufactured by third parties will bear the warranty of their manufacturer. The specific warranty for a given product is the one in effect on the date of shipment. In the event that Buyer identifies any defects in material or workmanship, Buyer will promptly notify Seller of the defective Goods and the specific nature of the defect in accordance with Article 16, Return Authorizations. Seller, at its sole discretion, will either repair or replace any such Goods found by Seller to be defective. Seller's warranty does not apply to any Goods that have been subjected to improper installation, misuse, alteration, repair, neglect, accident, inundation, fire, or the like.

THESE EXPRESS WARRANTIES, INCLUDING REMEDIES, ARE EXCLUSIVE AND ARE IN LIEU OF ANY AND ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. NO WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE IS INTENDED OR GIVEN. IN THE CASE OF GOODS OTHER THAN THOSE OF SELLER'S OWN MANUFACTURE, SELLER MAKES NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS, STATUTORY, OR IMPLIED.

16. RETURN AUTHORIZATIONS

Buyer will promptly notify Seller of any nonconformance(s) in the Goods and afford Seller a reasonable opportunity to inspect the Goods. No Goods may be returned without Seller's prior authorization, as evidenced by a return authorization. Once a return authorization number is obtained, Buyer will return defective Goods transportation and insurance prepaid in accordance with instructions issued by Seller. Failure to follow Seller's return procedures may result in lost Goods, delays, additional service, restocking charges, warranty denial, or refusal of a shipment. The return authorization number must appear on the shipping label along with all paperwork associated with the return. Seller has the right to reject Goods returned without the correct return authorization number clearly marked on the outside of the shipping container. Granting a return authorization number does not necessarily mean that a credit will be approved or that the evaluation or repair will take place without a fee.

17. INDEMNIFICATION

Each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") will hold harmless and indemnify the other Party (the "Indemnifier") against all claims, judgments, costs, and fees, including attorney fees, relating to infringement of U.S. patents, designs, copyrights, or trademarks to the extent that the infringing Goods are manufactured, sold, or used in whole or in part to the Indemnifying Party's specifications, designs, drawings, or other technical data. To the extent that one Party's employees or agents enter on the property owned or controlled by the other Party, the first Party will indemnify and hold harmless the other Party, its officers, directors, and employees for any property damage or bodily injury or death caused by the first Party's employees or agents.

18. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS EITHER PARTY LIABLE FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, MULTIPLE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, OR ANY DAMAGE OF AN INDIRECT OR CONSEQUENTIAL NATURE ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ITS PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER BASED UPON BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT, WARRANTY, OR NEGLIGENCE AND WHETHER GROUNDED IN TORT, CONTRACT, CIVIL LAW, OR OTHER THEORIES OF LIABILITY, INCLUDING STRICT LIABILITY, EVEN IF ADVISED IN ADVANCE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. SELLER'S TOTAL LIABILITY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LIABILITY FOR INDEMNITY, DEFENSE, AND HOLD HARMLESS OBLIGATIONS IS LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN THE AMOUNT PAID TO SELLER UNDER BUYER'S ORDER AND BUYER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY SELLER FOR ANY EXCESS AMOUNTS. TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS LIMITATION OF LIABILITY CONFLICTS WITH ANY OTHER PROVISION(S) OF THIS AGREEMENT, SUCH PROVISION(S) WILL BE REGARDED AS AMENDED TO WHATEVER EXTENT REQUIRED TO MAKE SUCH PROVISION(S) CONSISTENT WITH THIS PROVISION.

19. ARBITRATION AND LAW

Disputes that arise under this Agreement or Buyer's Order that cannot be settled amicably by the Parties will be settled by arbitration in Foxboro, Massachusetts, United States of America under the prevailing rules of the commercial conciliation and arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association. Judgment upon the arbitration award or decision may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction. Arbitration awards and decisions are subject to Article 18, Limitation of Liability. The laws of the State of Massachusetts, excluding its conflicts of law's provisions and excluding the United Nations Convention on the International Sale of Goods ("CISG"), govern the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and Buyer's Order.

20. ASSIGNMENT

Buyer may not assign or transfer this Agreement or any Order, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of Seller.

21. ETHICS AND VALUES

Seller is committed to uncompromising ethical standards, strict adherence to law, and customer satisfaction. Buyer is encouraged to communicate any concerns or questions regarding the ethics and value to the GNR USA Instruments Help Line at 1-508-369-1008.

22. UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS

In the event that one or more provisions of this Agreement document is held to be unenforceable, the remaining provisions apply in full and the invalid or unenforceable provision will be replaced by a provision that lawfully enforces the Parties' intention underlying the invalid or unenforceable provision.

23. SURVIVAL

The following Articles will survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement or any Order: 1: Definitions; 4: Credit Approval and Payment; 5: Taxes; 6: Shipping Terms and Risk of Loss; 7: Tooling; 9: Inspection and Tests; 10: Export Compliance; Foreign Corrupt Practices Act; 11: Delivery Schedules and Force Majeure; 12: Termination for Convenience; 13: Termination for Default; 15: Limited Warranty; 17: Indemnification; 18: Limitation of Liability; 19: Arbitration and Law; 20: Assignment; 22: Unenforceable Provisions; and 23: Survival.

24. WHOLE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENT

This document is the entire understanding between the Parties, and it supersedes all previous or additional agreements, arrangements, and drafts. This document may be amended or modified only by written agreement of duly authorized representatives of both Parties.

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