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Membership Terms & Conditions

1. Membership Eligibility

1.1 Membership is open to individuals, companies, or organisations actively involved in the cultivation, processing, distribution, or support of the hemp and cannabis industry, subject to the approval of the CTA.

1.2 To become a member, applicants must submit a completed membership application form. The CTA will review all applications and reserves the right to accept or reject any application at its discretion.

1.3 No person or entity shall be admitted as a member unless approved by the Membership Secretary or an authorised representative appointed by the CTA Board.

2. Classes of Membership

2.1 The CTA offers two primary classes of membership:

<u>Full Members:</u> Individuals or entities directly engaged in the hemp and cannabis industry, including cultivation, processing, and distribution.

<u>Associate Members</u>: Individuals or entities that support the hemp and cannabis industry but are not directly involved in the aforementioned activities.

2.2 The CTA Board may, at its discretion, create additional classes of membership. The criteria for such memberships will be outlined in the CTA's rules and may be amended from time to time.

3. Membership Fees

3.1 All members are required to pay an annual (12 months) membership fee based on turnover. The amount and payment terms will be determined by the CTA Board and may vary depending on the class of membership.

3.2 Membership fees are non-refundable, even if the member resigns or their membership is terminated during the membership year.

3.3 Failure to pay membership fees within the stipulated timeframe may result in suspension or termination of membership.



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4. Rights and Responsibilities of Members

4.1 Members are expected to actively support the CTA's objectives and adhere to all rules, regulations, and ethical standards set by the Association.

4.2 Members have the right to attend general meetings, participate in discussions, and vote on matters presented for resolution, depending on their class of membership.

4.3 Members must promptly inform the CTA of any changes in their contact details or any other significant information that could affect their membership status.

5. Termination of Membership

5.1 Membership is personal to the member organisation and is not transferable to any other entity.

5.2 Membership may be terminated under the following circumstances:

5.2.1 If the member provides written notice of resignation to the CTA. Resignation does not entitle the member to any refund of fees paid.

5.2.2 If the member fails to pay the annual membership fee within the required timeframe.

5.2.3 If the member is deemed by the CTA Board to have acted in a manner harmful to the interests or reputation of the CTA, following investigation and vote by the Board of the CTA. The member will be given at least 14 days' notice of the proposed termination and an opportunity to present their case.

5.3 Upon termination, the member remains liable for any outstanding fees or obligations owed to the CTA for completion of the

6. Liability of Members

6.1 The liability of each member is limited to \pounds 1, which is the amount that each member agrees to contribute to the assets of the CTA in the event of its winding up while they are a member or within one year after they cease to be a member.

6.2 This liability is limited to the payment of the CTA's debts and liabilities contracted before the member ceases to be a member, including the costs of winding up and any other obligations due to the CTA.

7. General Meetings

7.1 The CTA Board may call a general meeting of the members at any time. Members will be provided with at least 14 days' notice before any such meeting.



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7.2 General meetings may be held in person or through electronic platforms as determined by the CTA Board.

7.3 The quorum for general meetings is at least two members entitled to vote or 10% of the total membership, whichever is greater.

8. Voting Rights

8.1 Full Members are entitled to one vote at general meetings. Associate Members may attend and participate in discussions but do not have voting rights unless specified otherwise by the CTA Board.

8.2 Votes may be cast in person, by proxy, or electronically, as permitted by the CTA's rules.

8.3 A resolution will be passed if it receives a majority of the votes cast at the meeting, unless otherwise specified as a special resolution, which requires a 75% majority.

9. Amendments to Membership Terms

9.1 The CTA reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions at any time. Any changes will be communicated to members in writing, either by post or electronically.

9.2 Amendments will take effect from the date specified in the notice of amendment unless otherwise stated.

10. Code of Conduct

10.1 Members are expected to conduct themselves with integrity and respect in all dealings related to the CTA and the wider hemp and cannabis industry.

10.2 Any breach of the CTA's code of conduct may result in disciplinary action, including termination of membership.



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