

# DRAINAGE & WATER ENQUIRY (DOMESTIC)

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Customer the Client and the Purchaser are asked to note these terms, which govern the basis on which this drainage and water report is supplied.

### Definitions

"The Company" means the water service company or their data service provider producing the Report.

"Order" means any request completed by the Customer requesting the Report.

"Report" means the drainage and/ or water report prepared by The Company in respect of the Property.

"Property" means the address or location supplied by the Customer in the Order.

"Customer" means the person, company, firm or other legal body placing the Order, either on their own behalf as Client, or, as an agent for a Client.

"Client" means the person, company or body who is the intended recipient of the Report with an actual or potential interest in the Property.

"Purchaser" means the actual or potential purchaser of an interest in the Property including their mortgage lender.

"the Regulations" means the Home Information Pack (No.2) Regulations 2007.

### Agreement

1.1 The Company agrees to supply the Report to the Customer and to allow it to be provided to the Client and the Purchaser subject in each case, to these terms. The scope and limitations of the Report are described in paragraph 2 of these terms. The Customer shall be responsible for bringing these terms to the attention of the Client and the Purchaser as necessary.

1.2 The Customer the Client and the Purchaser agree that the placing of an Order for a Report and the subsequent provision of a copy of the Report to the Purchaser indicates their acceptance of these terms.

### The Report

2. Whilst The Company will use reasonable care and skill in producing the Report, it is provided to the Customer the Client and the Purchaser on the basis that they acknowledge and agree to the following:-

2.1 The information contained in the Report can change on a regular basis so The Company cannot be responsible to the Customer the Client and the Purchaser for any change in the information contained in the Report after the date on which the Report was produced and sent to the Customer.

2.2 The Report does not give details about the actual state or condition of the Property nor should it be used or taken to indicate or exclude actual suitability or unsuitability of the Property for any particular purpose, or relied upon for determining saleability or value, or used as a substitute for any physical investigation or inspection. Further advice and information from appropriate experts and professionals should always be obtained.

2.3 The information contained in the Report is based upon the accuracy of the address supplied to The Company.

2.4 The Report provides information as to the location and connection of existing services and other information required to comply with the provisions of the Home Information Pack Regulations in relation to drainage and water enquiries and should not be relied on for any other purpose. The Report may contain opinions or general advice to the Customer the Client and the Purchaser which The Company cannot ensure is accurate, complete or valid and for which it accepts no liability.

2.5 The position and depth of apparatus shown on any maps attached to the Report are approximate, and are furnished as a general guide only, and no warranty as to their correctness is given or implied. The exact positions and depths should be obtained by excavation trial holes and the maps must not be relied on in the event of excavation or other works made in the vicinity of The Company's apparatus.

### Liability

3.1 The Company shall not be liable to the Customer the Client or the Purchaser for any failure defect or non-performance of its obligations arising from any failure of or defect in any machine, processing system or transmission link or anything beyond The Company's reasonable control or the acts or omissions of any party for whom The Company is not responsible.

3.2 Where a report is requested for an address falling within a geographical area where two different Companies separately provide Water and Sewerage Services, then it shall be deemed that liability for the information given by either Company will remain with that Company in respect of the accuracy of the information supplied. A Company that supplies information which has been provided to it by another Company for the purposes outlined in this agreement will therefore not be liable in any way for the accuracy of that information and will supply that information as agent for the Company from which the information was obtained.

3.3 The Report is produced only for use in relation to individual domestic property transactions which require the provision of drainage and water information pursuant to the provisions of the Regulations and cannot be used for commercial developments of domestic properties or commercial properties for intended occupation by third parties.

3.4 The Company shall accept liability for death or personal injury arising from its negligence but in any other case the Company's liability for negligence shall be in accordance with the permitted limit for liability identified in Schedule 6 paragraph 8 of the Regulations. In accordance with Schedule 6 paragraph 7 of the Regulations such liability will be met by The Company or its insurers and The Company has and will maintain an appropriate contract of insurance.

### Copyright and Confidentiality

4.1 The Customer the Client and the Purchaser acknowledge that the Report is confidential and is intended for the personal use of the Client and the Purchaser. The copyright and any other intellectual property rights in the Report shall remain the property of The Company. No intellectual or other property rights are transferred or licensed to the Customer the Client or the Purchaser except expressly provided.

4.2 The Customer or Client is entitled to make copies of the Report but may only copy the maps contained in the, or attached to the Report, if they have an appropriate Ordnance Survey licence.

4.3 The Customer the Client and the Purchaser agree (in respect of both the original and any copies made) to respect and not to alter any trademark, copyright notice or other property marking which appears on the Report.

4.4 The maps contained in the Report are protected by Crown Copyright and must not be used for any purpose outside the context of the Report.

4.5 The Customer and the Client and the Purchaser agree on a joint and several basis to indemnify The Company against any losses, costs, claims and damage suffered by The Company as a result of any breach by any of them of the terms of paragraphs 4.1 to 4.4 inclusive.

### Payment

5. Unless otherwise stated all prices are inclusive of VAT. The Customer shall pay for the price of the Report specified by The Company, without any set off, deduction or counterclaim. Unless the Customer has an account with The Company for payment for Reports, The Company must receive payment for Reports in full before the Report is produced. For Customers with accounts, payment terms will be as agreed with The Company.

### General

6.1 If any provision of these terms is or becomes invalid or unenforceable, it will be taken to be removed from the rest of these terms to the extent that it is invalid or unenforceable. No other provision of these terms shall be affected.

6.2 These terms shall be governed by English law and all parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

6.3 Nothing in this notice shall in any way restrict the Customer the Clients or the Purchasers statutory or any other rights of access to the information contained in the Report.

6.4 The Report is supplied subject to these terms and conditions which include the terms required by Schedule 6 paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 of the Regulations.

6.5 These terms and conditions may be enforced by the Customer the Client and the Purchaser.

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