

EMN MEMBERSHIP TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Definitions

“Member”: any member of Engineering and Manufacturing Network.

“EMN”: means Engineering and Manufacturing Network which is the trading name of County Durham Engineering and Manufacturing Network providing support services to those in the engineering and manufacturing sectors in the North East of England. Registered Company number 09485596 and registered office address of S07 Tanfield Business Centre, Tanfield Ind Estate North, Stanley, County Durham DH9 9DB.

“Initial Minimum term”: 12 months from the date of joining

“Services”: service entitlement dependent upon membership type bought by a Member.

“Membership fees”: Fees payable for membership services.

“Membership year”: 12 month period from the date of joining and 12 months from the anniversary date of joining thereafter.

“North East of England”: Local authority areas of Northumberland, Newcastle upon Tyne, North Tyneside, South Tyneside, Sunderland, Gateshead, County Durham, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland, Stockton on Tees and Darlington.

2. These Terms

2.1 These Membership Terms and Conditions apply to your membership of EMN and to any and all membership entitlement services (“the Services”) supplied by EMN to you as part of your membership fee.

2.2 If you have applied for membership and your application for membership is accepted, EMN’s acceptance of your membership is conditional on your agreement to these terms and conditions in full.

2.3 These terms and conditions may be varied by EMN from time to time on three months’ notice. In the event of any such variation EMN will post a new copy of the terms to its website and will send a revised copy of the terms to you by post or email. If you do not accept the revised terms and you notify EMN accordingly then the existing terms will apply up to the next renewal date or the date of termination of your membership (if earlier). If you renew your membership after EMN has notified you of changes then you will be deemed to have accepted the revised terms in full.

3. Membership Generally

3.1 EMN is the trading name of County Durham Engineering & Manufacturing Network; Company Number 9485596, a not for profit company limited by guarantee.

3.2 Please note that EMN may refuse membership to any prospective member for any reason; that membership is subject to continued payment of membership or subscription fees; that your membership may be revoked for failure to pay membership or subscription fees; that membership is not transferable; and that you are required to give one month’s notice of termination of your membership.

4. Minimum term & contract renewal

4.1 Membership of EMN is subject to a minimum term of at least 12 months.

4.2 After expiry of the initial minimum term you may terminate your membership contract on not less than one month's written notice in accordance with 7.1 below. Otherwise your membership will continue indefinitely until such time that you have served one month's notice.

4.3 Where a member agrees with EMN a membership contract period of greater than 12 months, the agreed duration of the contract will form the minimum term, with automatic continuation of membership thereafter until such time that you have served 1 month's notice.

5. Fees

5.1 In addition to EMN's right to revoke your membership for failure to pay membership or subscription fees, during any period in which payments from you are overdue EMN may suspend all or part of the provision of any services to you.

5.2 All membership fees are payable by monthly direct debit or annually in advance based on fee structure as set out on our website and are calculated based on the type of membership and sector. Fees are reviewed annually at the beginning of the membership year.

5.3 In the event that any fees or charges whatsoever are due to EMN, or your membership fee has been incorrectly calculated then you agree to settle any invoice for additional or unpaid fees rendered by EMN within 30 days of the invoice date without any set-off, deduction or counter-claim.

5.4 Members are entitled to EMN membership services on a variety of membership subscription levels. Please note that you will only be entitled to access those services which are included within the membership subscription you have purchased. A full description of EMN membership levels is available at the website [MEMBERSHIP - The Engineering & Manufacturing Network \(emn.org.uk\)](http://MEMBERSHIP - The Engineering & Manufacturing Network (emn.org.uk))

5.5 All sums due from you which are not paid on the due date shall bear interest from day to day at the rate equal to 8% per annum above the Bank of England base rate.

5.6 If EMN's staff or contractors are required to discharge out-of-pocket expenses in delivering Services to you those expenses will be charged to you as may be agreed from time to time. In the absence of any express agreement you agree to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by EMN or their employees or contractors in carrying out services on your behalf.

5.7 All fees and charges are quoted exclusive of VAT unless otherwise specified.

6. Services

6.1 EMN will provide the services with reasonable skill and care. Unless expressly agreed in writing no further conditions, warranties or representations are given by EMN in relation to the services and any such terms are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law.

6.2 Services will be provided to you, the Member, and not to any other third party. EMN will not be obliged to provide services to any third party nor will EMN accept any liability or duty of care to any third party whatsoever.

6.3 In order to allow EMN to provide the services you agree that you, together with your employees and agents will at all times:

- a) Provide EMN with complete, accurate and timely information, data and documents which may be requested;
- b) Co-operate fully with EMN in the provision of the services and permit EMN to provide the services free of obstruction and interference;

7. Termination of Membership

7.1 Your membership may be terminated by either party at any time on not less than one month's notice in writing, for any reason, following expiry of the initial minimum term of 12 months (or such longer minimum term as may be agreed). If you wish to terminate your membership then the earliest date on which you may terminate your membership is the date of expiry of your initial minimum term and in any event you must provide EMN with at least one month prior written notice.

7.2 EMN shall be entitled to terminate your membership immediately in the event that you fail to make payment of any membership, subscription or any other fees which are due and payable or if you are otherwise in material breach of these terms and conditions.

8. Policy, Representation and Publications

8.1 EMN will use its best endeavours to represent the interests of companies operating in the engineering and manufacturing sectors in the North East of England generally. However, no liability is accepted for such representation or for any policy position adopted by EMN.

8.2 EMN provides briefings, guides, business opportunities, information, blogs, website, surveys, model documents and newsletters ("the Publications") as part of various services provided. EMN will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the information contained in the Publications is accurate at the time of publication but EMN does not provide any guarantee or warranty to that effect.

9. Third Party Services

9.1 EMN may from time to time select various partners/affiliates (the "Affiliates") who agree to provide other services and products (the "Products") for its members.

9.2 EMN agrees that it will select Affiliates in good faith for the benefit of its members and EMN shall be entitled to take commission from its Affiliates in relation to Products sold to its members. Where commission is taken, the amount will be stated up front.

9.3 If you decide to purchase a product offered by an Affiliate then the agreement for the provision of that product or service will be between you and the Affiliate only. EMN offers no guarantee or assurance that the product or service will be suitable for your requirements or that it will be delivered as agreed and EMN shall have no liability whatsoever for any failure or default on the part of the Affiliate.

9.4 Please note that many of the Products offered are unique to EMN members and that if your membership with EMN is terminated for any reason your access to that Product will be terminated (and EMN will not be liable for termination of your access to that Product).

10. Staff and Contractors

10.1 EMN shall be entitled to subcontract, delegate or assign the provision of any services or any of their rights or duties under these terms. EMN shall have discretion as to which of their employees or self-employed agents, contractors or associates (“Associates”) are assigned to perform the services.

11. Liability and Insurance

11.1 EMN will not be liable to you in any circumstances for any property damage or for any indirect or consequential loss or damage such as lost profit, lost opportunity, lost bargain, lost reputation, loss of anticipated savings or lost data whether caused by EMN’s negligence, the negligence of their employees or agents or otherwise. EMN will not be liable to any party other than you, the member.

11.2 EMN’s aggregate liability including the liability of their partners, agents, subcontractors and employees in respect of any services provided to you by EMN in connection with your membership will be limited to the annual membership fee payable by you.

11.3 EMN’s total liability to you will be limited to 4 times the annual membership fees payable by you, or £10,000 (whichever is the lower amount).

11.4 You accept that the limitations of EMN’s liability set out above are reasonable. Nothing in these terms will limit or exclude EMN’s liability for death or personal injury arising as a result of EMN’s negligence.

12. Intellectual Property and Confidentiality

12.1 All intellectual property rights of any nature (including copyright) created or provided by EMN or its employees or Associates shall be and remain the property of EMN and any such materials shall be licensed to you for your internal use only.

12.2 You undertake to keep all Publications materials created by EMN confidential and not to copy, publish or distribute any such information, materials or documents to any third party without EMN’s prior written consent (save where such information is in the public domain or you are required to disclose such information by law).

12.3 Each party agrees with the other not to divulge or allow to be divulged any confidential information relating to the other’s business or affairs other than to its employees or subcontractors who need to know such information or where the other party has consented to such disclosure.

12.4 EMN shall be entitled to use any member’s information in its general reports or for the purpose of collating information about its members and employers generally provided that EMN shall obtain your consent before publishing your name or information which allows you to be specifically identified.

13. General

13.1 Each of the parties warrants its power to enter into this agreement and has obtained all necessary approvals to do so.

13.2 EMN and the member are independent of each other and nothing in these terms shall be taken as creating a relationship of agent to principal, employer to employee, partnership or joint

venture between EMN and any other party. Neither party shall be entitled to enter into agreements or other arrangements on behalf of the other.

13.3 Neither party shall be liable to the other or be deemed to be in breach of these terms by reason of any delay in performing, or any failure to perform, any of their obligations in relation to these terms, if the delay or failure was due to any cause beyond their reasonable control such as severe weather, a natural disaster, strikes, governmental action, terrorism, war and civil unrest.

13.4 These terms represent the entire agreement between the parties and supersede any previous representations or agreements whether recorded in writing or otherwise (save in the event of fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation).

13.5 The parties agree that these terms are fair and reasonable in all the circumstances. However, if any provision of these terms is held not to be valid by a court of competent jurisdiction but would be valid if part of the wording were deleted, then such provision shall apply with such deletions as may be necessary to make it valid. If any of the provisions in these terms are held not to be valid the remaining provisions of these terms shall remain in full force and effect.

13.6 Both parties agree that these terms shall not be enforceable by any person who is not party to this Agreement by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

13.7 By providing personal data relating to your employees or agents to us, you confirm that you are entitled to disclose that data to us under the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998 and related legislation and that we are entitled to process such data for the purposes of your membership and providing the Services.

13.8 Either party may give any notice to the other by sending it by post addressed to their registered address or by sending it to such electronic communications address as may be notified to the other from time to time. Changes to the terms of services provided or to these terms and conditions may be posted from time to time on EMN's website at [Engineering and Manufacturing Network -North East \(EMN\)](#)

13.9 These terms will be governed and construed according to the laws of England and Wales and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts