

## Vita Group consumer sales terms

### 1. These terms

**1.1 What these terms cover.** These are the terms and conditions on which we supply goods to you.

**1.2 Why you should read them.** Please read these terms carefully before you submit your order to us. These terms tell you who we are, how we will provide goods to you, how you and we may change or end the contract, what to do if there is a problem and other important information. If you think that there is a mistake in these terms, please contact us to discuss.

### 2. Information about us and how to contact us

**2.1 Who we are.** Vita Group is made up of different legal entities, details of which can be found here [www.thevitagroup.com](http://www.thevitagroup.com) we will notify you which company within the group is supplying the goods to you when we email our acceptance of your order.

**2.2 How to contact us.** You can contact us by writing to us at [vitashielsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashielsales@thevitagroup.com) or Vita Group, Oldham Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 2DB.

**2.3 How we may contact you.** If we have to contact you we will do so by telephone or by writing to you at the email address or postal address you provided to us in your order.

**2.4 "Writing" includes emails.** When we use the words "writing" or "written" in these terms, this includes emails.

### 3. Our contract with you

**3.1 How we will accept your order.** Our acceptance of your order will take place when we email you to accept it, at which point a contract will come into existence between you and us.

**3.2 If we cannot accept your order.** If we are unable to accept your order, we will inform you of this in writing and will refund the price paid (we will email you to request details of the bank account you wish us to use to make the refund). This might be because the goods are out of stock, because of unexpected limits on our resources which we could not reasonably plan for, because a credit reference we have obtained for you does not meet our minimum requirements, because we have identified an error in the price or description of the goods or because we are unable to meet a delivery deadline you have specified.

**3.3 Your order number.** We will assign an order number to your order and tell you what it is when we accept your order. It will help us if you can tell us the order number whenever you contact us about your order.

#### **4. Our goods**

**4.1 Goods may vary slightly from their pictures.** The images of the goods on our website are for illustrative purposes only. Although we have made every effort to display the colours accurately, we cannot guarantee that a device's display of the colours accurately reflects the colour of the goods. Your goods may vary slightly from those images.

**4.2 Goods packaging may vary.** The packaging of the goods may vary from that shown in images on our website.

#### **5. Your rights to make changes**

If you wish to make a change to the goods you have ordered please contact us. We will let you know if the change is possible. If it is possible we will let you know about any changes to the price of the goods, the timing of supply or anything else which would be necessary as a result of your requested change and ask you to confirm whether you wish to go ahead with the change. If we cannot make the change or the consequences of making the change are unacceptable to you, you may want to end the contract (see clause 8- Your rights to end the contract).

#### **6. Our rights to make changes**

**6.1 Minor changes to the goods.** We may change the goods:

- (a) to reflect changes in relevant laws and regulatory requirements; and
- (b) to implement minor technical adjustments and improvements.

#### **7. Providing the goods**

**7.1 Delivery costs.** The costs of delivery will be as displayed to you on our website.

**7.2 When we will provide the goods.** During the order process we will let you know when we will provide the goods to you. We will deliver our goods to you as soon as reasonably possible and in any event within 14 days after the day on which we accept your order subject only to delays caused by our delivery agent which are outside of our control.

**7.3 We are not responsible for delays outside our control.** If our supply of the goods is delayed by an event outside our control then we will contact you as soon as possible to let you know and we will take steps to minimise the effect of the delay. Provided we do this we will not be liable for delays caused by the event, but if there is a risk of substantial delay you may contact us to end the contract and receive a refund for any goods you have paid for but not received.

**7.4 If you are not at home when the goods are delivered.** If no one is available at your address to take delivery and the goods cannot be posted through your letterbox, our delivery agent will leave you a note informing you of how to rearrange delivery or collect the goods from a local depot.

- 7.5 If you do not re-arrange delivery.** If after a failed delivery to you, you do not re-arrange delivery or collect them from a delivery depot we will contact you for further instructions and may charge you for storage costs and any further delivery costs. If, despite our reasonable efforts, we are unable to contact you or re-arrange delivery or collection we may end the contract and clause 10.2 will apply.
- 7.6 Your legal rights if we deliver goods late.** You have legal rights if we deliver any goods late. If we miss the delivery deadline for any goods then you may treat the contract as at an end straight away if any of the following apply:
- (a) we have refused to deliver the goods;
  - (b) delivery within the delivery deadline was essential (taking into account all the relevant circumstances); or
  - (c) you told us before we accepted your order that delivery within the delivery deadline was essential.
- 7.7 Setting a new deadline for delivery.** If you do not wish to treat the contract as at an end straight away, or do not have the right to do so under clause 7.6, you can give us a new deadline for delivery, which must be reasonable, and you can treat the contract as at an end if we do not meet the new deadline.
- 7.8 Ending the contract for late delivery.** If you do choose to treat the contract as at an end for late delivery under clause 7.6 or clause 7.7, you can cancel your order for any of the goods or reject goods that have been delivered. If you wish, you can reject or cancel the order for some of those goods (not all of them), unless splitting them up would significantly reduce their value. After that we will refund any sums you have paid to us for the cancelled goods and their delivery. If the goods have been delivered to you, you must either return them in person to where you bought them, post them back to us or (if they are not suitable for posting) allow us to collect them from you. We will pay the costs of postage or collection. Please email us at [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com) for a return label or to arrange collection.
- 7.9 When you become responsible for the goods.** Goods will be your responsibility from the time we deliver the goods to the address you gave us or you collect it from us.
- 7.10 When you own goods.** You own the goods once we have received payment in full.
- 7.11 What will happen if you do not give required information to us.** We may need certain information from you so that we can supply the goods to you. If so, this will have been stated in the description of the goods on our website. We will contact you in writing to ask for this information. If you do not give us this information within a reasonable time of us asking for it, or if you give us incomplete or incorrect information, we may either end the contract (and clause 10.2 will apply) or make an additional charge of a reasonable sum to compensate us for any extra work that is required as a result. We will not be responsible for supplying the goods late or

not supplying any part of them if this is caused by you not giving us the information we need within a reasonable time of us asking for it.

**7.12 Reasons we may suspend the supply of goods to you.** We may have to suspend the supply of goods to:

- (a) deal with technical problems or make minor technical changes;
- (b) update the goods to reflect changes in relevant laws and regulatory requirements;
- (c) make changes to the goods as requested by you or notified by us to you (see clause 6).

**7.13 Your rights if we suspend the supply of goods.** We will contact you in advance to tell you we will be suspending supply of the goods, unless the problem is urgent or an emergency. You may contact us to end the contract for the goods if we suspend it, or tell you we are going to suspend it, in each case for a period of more than 30 days and we will refund any sums you have paid in advance for the goods in respect of the period after you end the contract.

**7.14 We may also suspend supply of the goods if you do not pay.** If you do not pay us for the goods when you are supposed to (see clause 12.5) and you still do not make payment within 5 days of us reminding you that payment is due, we may suspend supply of the goods until you have paid us the outstanding amounts. We will contact you to tell you we are suspending supply of the goods. We will not suspend the goods where you dispute the unpaid invoice (see clause 12.7). We will not charge you for the goods during the period for which they are suspended. As well as suspending the goods we can also charge you interest on your overdue payments (see clause 12.6).

## **8. Your rights to end the contract**

**8.1 You can always end your contract with us.** Your rights when you end the contract will depend on what you have bought, whether there is anything wrong with it, how we are performing and when you decide to end the contract:

- (a) **If what you have bought is faulty or misdescribed you may have a legal right to end the contract** (or to get the goods repaired or replaced or a service re-performed or to get some or all of your money back), **see** clause 11;
- (b) **If you want to end the contract because of something we have done or have told you we are going to do see** clause 8.2;
- (c) **If you have just changed your mind about the goods, see** clause 8.3. You may be able to get a refund if you are within the cooling-off period, but this may be subject to deductions and you will have to pay the costs of return of any goods, please note, face coverings are considered personal items which are sealed for health protection and hygiene reasons and as such may not be exchanged or returned for re-sale where they have been unsealed following delivery to you. Face coverings will be replaced only if defective in description, materials or construction as referred to in 8.1(a) above;

- (d) **In all other cases (if we are not at fault and there is no right to change your mind), see clause 8.7.**

**8.2 Ending the contract because of something we have done or are going to do.** If you are ending a contract for a reason set out at (a) to (e) below the contract will end immediately and we will refund you in full for any goods which have not been provided and you may also be entitled to compensation. The reasons are:

- (a) we have told you about an upcoming change to the goods or these terms which you do not agree to;
- (b) we have told you about an error in the price or description of the goods you have ordered and you do not wish to proceed;
- (c) there is a risk that supply of the goods may be significantly delayed because of events outside our control;
- (d) we have suspended supply of the goods for technical reasons, or notify you we are going to suspend them for technical reasons, in each case for a period of more than 30 days; or
- (e) you have a legal right to end the contract because of something we have done wrong (including because we have delivered late (see clause 7.6)).

**8.3 Exercising your right to change your mind (Consumer Contracts Regulations 2013).** For most goods bought online you have a legal right to change your mind within 14 days and receive a refund. These rights, under the Consumer Contracts Regulations 2013, are explained in more detail in these terms.

**8.4**

<b>Right under the Consumer Contracts Regulations 2013</b>
14 day period to change your mind.
Consumer to pay costs of return.

**8.5 When you don't have the right to change your mind.** You do not have a right to change your mind in respect of:

- (a) goods sealed for health protection or hygiene purposes, once these have been unsealed after you receive them; and
- (b) any goods which become mixed inseparably with other items after their delivery.

**8.6 How long do I have to change my mind?** you have 14 days after the day you (or someone you nominate) receives the goods, **unless:**

- (a) **Your goods are split into several deliveries over different days.** In this case you have until 14 days after the day you (or someone you nominate) receives the last delivery to change your mind about the goods.
- (b) **Your goods are for regular delivery over a set period.** In this case you have until 14 days after the day you (or someone you nominate) receives the first delivery of the goods.

**8.7 Ending the contract where we are not at fault and there is no right to change your mind.** Even if we are not at fault and you do not have a right to change your mind (see clause 8.1), you can still end the contract before it is completed, but you may have to pay us compensation. A contract for goods is completed when the goods are delivered and paid for. If you want to end a contract before it is completed where we are not at fault and you have not changed your mind, just contact us to let us know. The contract will end immediately and we will refund any sums paid by you for goods not provided but we may deduct from that refund reasonable compensation for the net costs we will incur as a result of your ending the contract

## **9. How to end the contract with us (including if you have changed your mind)**

**9.1 Tell us you want to end the contract.** To end the contract with us, please let us know by doing one of the following:

- (a) **Email.** Email us at [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com). Please provide your name, home address, details of the order and, where available, your phone number and email address.
- (b) **Online.** Complete the [\*COMING SOON\*] on our website.
- (c) **By post.** Print off the [https://thevitashield.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/RefundFormVS\\_5.pdf](https://thevitashield.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/RefundFormVS_5.pdf) and post it to us at the address on the form. Or simply write to us at that address, including details of what you bought, when you ordered or received it and your name and address.

**9.2 Returning goods after ending the contract.** If you end the contract for any reason after goods have been dispatched to you or you have received them, you must return them to us. You must either return the goods in person to where you bought them, post them back to us at Vita Cellular Foams (UK) Limited trading as, Caligen Foam, Broad Oak, Accrington, Lancashire, BB5 2BS, UK or (if they are not suitable for posting) allow us to collect them from you. Please email us at [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com) for a return label or to arrange collection. If you are exercising your right to change your mind you must send off the goods within 14 days of telling us you wish to end the contract. Please note, face coverings are considered personal items which are sealed for health protection and hygiene reasons and as such may not be exchanged or returned for resale where they have been unsealed following delivery to you. Face coverings will be replaced only if defective in description, materials or construction.

**9.3 When we will pay the costs of return.** We will pay the costs of return:

- (a) if the goods are faulty or misdescribed;

- (b) if you are ending the contract because we have told you of an error in pricing or description or because you have a legal right to do so as a result of something we have done wrong.

**9.4 How we will refund you.** We will refund you the price you paid for the goods including delivery costs, by electronic transfer of funds to the bank account you notify us you wish us to use (we will email you to request details of the account you wish us to use). However, we may make deductions from the price, as described below.

**9.5 Deductions from refunds if you are exercising your right to change your mind.** If you are exercising your right to change your mind:

- (a) We may reduce your refund of the price (excluding delivery costs) to reflect any reduction in the value of the goods, if this has been caused by your handling them in a way which would not be permitted in a shop. Email [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com) for information about what handling is acceptable and examples. If we refund you the price paid before we are able to inspect the goods and later discover you have handled them in an unacceptable way, you must pay us an appropriate amount.
- (b) The maximum refund for delivery costs will be the costs of delivery by the least expensive delivery method we offer.

**9.6 When your refund will be made.** We will make any refunds due to you as soon as possible. If you are exercising your right to change your mind then:

- (a) If we have not offered to collect the goods, your refund will be made within 14 days from the day on which we receive the goods back from you or, if earlier, the day on which you provide us with evidence that you have sent the goods back to us. For information about how to return the goods to us, see clause 9.2.
- (b) In all other cases, your refund will be made within 14 days of your telling us you have changed your mind

## **10. Our rights to end the contract**

**10.1 We may end the contract if you break it.** We may end the contract for goods at any time by writing to you if:

- (a) you do not make any payment to us when it is due and you still do not make payment within 5 days of us reminding you that payment is due;
- (b) you do not, within a reasonable time of us asking for it, provide us with information that is necessary for us to provide the goods;
- (c) you do not, within a reasonable time, allow us to deliver the goods to you or collect them from us;
- (d) you do not, within a reasonable time, allow us access to your premises to supply the services.

**10.2 You must compensate us if you break the contract.** If we end the contract in the situations set out in clause 10.1 we will refund any money you have paid in advance for goods we have not provided but we may deduct or charge you reasonable compensation for the net costs we will incur as a result of your breaking the contract

**10.3 We may withdraw the goods.** We may write to you to let you know that we are going to stop providing the goods. We will let you know at least 5 days in advance of our stopping the supply of the goods and will refund any sums you have paid in advance for goods which will not be provided.

**11. If there is a problem with the goods**

**11.1 How to tell us about problems.** If you have any questions or complaints about the goods, please contact us. You can write to us at [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com) or Vita Group, Oldham Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 2DB.

**11.2 Summary of your legal rights.** We are under a legal duty to supply goods that are in conformity with this contract. See the box below for a summary of your key legal rights in relation to the goods. Nothing in these terms will affect your legal rights.

**Summary of your key legal rights**

This is a summary of your key legal rights. These are subject to certain exceptions. For detailed information please visit the Citizens Advice website [www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk) or call 03454 04 05 06.

The Consumer Rights Act 2015 says goods must be as described, fit for purpose and of satisfactory quality. During the expected lifespan of your goods your legal rights entitle you to the following:

- a) Up to 30 days: if your goods are faulty, then you can get an immediate refund.
- b) Up to six months: if your goods can't be repaired or replaced, then you're entitled to a full refund, in most cases.
- c) Up to six years: if your goods do not last a reasonable length of time you may be entitled to some money back.

See also [Exercising your right to change your mind \(Consumer Contracts Regulations 2013\)](#).

**11.3 Your obligation to return rejected goods.** If you wish to exercise your legal rights to reject goods as set out in a) to c) in the box above, you must either return them in person to where you bought them, post them back to us or (if they are not suitable for posting) allow us to collect them from you. We will pay the costs of postage or collection. Please email us at [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com) for a return label or to arrange collection.

**12. Price and payment**

**12.1 Where to find the price for the goods.** The price of the goods (which includes VAT) will be the price indicated on the order pages when you placed your order. We take all reasonable care to

ensure that the price of the goods advised to you is correct. However please see clause 12.4 for what happens if we discover an error in the price of the goods you order.

- 12.2 We will pass on changes in the rate of VAT.** If the rate of VAT changes between your order date and the date we supply the goods, we will adjust the rate of VAT that you pay, unless you have already paid for the goods in full before the change in the rate of VAT takes effect.
- 12.3 Currency of the contract and currency conversion.** The currency for payment for goods purchased from us is pounds sterling. If you are located outside the United Kingdom and you make payment for your goods in your local currency, you are responsible for paying any shortfall from the sterling price for your goods shown on the order pages when you placed your order that arises when the amount paid in local currency is converted into sterling, along with any bank or other costs of conversion incurred by us. On written request from you, we will provide you with data supporting our calculation of the sterling equivalent of any payment in local currency, any shortfall from the sterling price, and any conversion costs.
- 12.4 What happens if we got the price wrong.** It is always possible that, despite our best efforts, some of the goods we sell may be incorrectly priced. We will normally check prices before accepting your order so that, where the goods' correct price at your order date is less than our stated price at your order date, we will charge the lower amount. If the goods' correct price at your order date is higher than the price stated to you, we will contact you for your instructions before we accept your order. If we accept and process your order where a pricing error is obvious and unmistakable and could reasonably have been recognised by you as a mispricing, we may end the contract, refund you any sums you have paid and require the return of any goods provided to you.
- 12.5 When you must pay and how you must pay.** We accept payment with Visa, Visa Debit, JCB, Mastercard and Maestro. You must pay for the goods before we dispatch them. We will not charge your credit or debit card until we dispatch the goods to you.
- 12.6 We can charge interest if you pay late.** If you do not make any payment to us by the due date we may charge interest to you on the overdue amount at the rate of 4 % a year above the base lending rate of Barclays Bank plc from time to time. This interest shall accrue on a daily basis from the due date until the date of actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment. You must pay us interest together with any overdue amount.
- 12.7 What to do if you think an invoice is wrong.** If you think an invoice is wrong please contact us promptly to let us know. You will not have to pay any interest until the dispute is resolved. Once the dispute is resolved we will charge you interest on correctly invoiced sums from the original due date.
- 13. Our responsibility for loss or damage suffered by you**
- 13.1 We are responsible to you for foreseeable loss and damage caused by us.** If we fail to comply with these terms, we are responsible for loss or damage you suffer that is a foreseeable result of

our breaking this contract or our failing to use reasonable care and skill, but we are not responsible for any loss or damage that is not foreseeable. Loss or damage is foreseeable if either it is obvious that it will happen or if, at the time the contract was made, both we and you knew it might happen, for example, if you discussed it with us during the sales process.

**13.2 We do not exclude or limit in any way our liability to you where it would be unlawful to do so.**

This includes liability for death or personal injury caused by our negligence or the negligence of our employees, agents or subcontractors; for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation; for breach of your legal rights in relation to the goods including the right to receive goods which are: as described and match information we provided to you and any sample or model seen or examined by you; of satisfactory quality; fit for any particular purpose made known to us; supplied with reasonable skill and care; and for defective goods under the Consumer Protection Act 1987.

**13.3 We are not liable for business losses.** We only supply the goods for domestic and private use. If you use the goods for any commercial, business or re-sale purpose we will have no liability to you for any loss of profit, loss of business, business interruption, or loss of business opportunity.

**14. How we may use your personal information**

**14.1 How we may use your personal information.** We will only use your personal information as set out in our Privacy policy accessible at; [https://thevitashield.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Vita-Consumer-Website-privacy-policy645346823\\_4.2-FINAL-11-Nov-2020.pdf](https://thevitashield.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Vita-Consumer-Website-privacy-policy645346823_4.2-FINAL-11-Nov-2020.pdf).

**15. Other important terms**

**15.1 We may transfer this agreement to someone else.** We may transfer our rights and obligations under these terms to another organisation. We will always tell you in writing if this happens and we will ensure that the transfer will not affect your rights under the contract.

**15.2 You need our consent to transfer your rights to someone else (except that you can always transfer our guarantee).** You may only transfer your rights or your obligations under these terms to another person if we agree to this in writing.

**15.3 Nobody else has any rights under this contract (except someone you pass your guarantee on to).** This contract is between you and us. No other person shall have any rights to enforce any of its terms. Neither of us will need to get the agreement of any other person in order to end the contract or make any changes to these terms.

**15.4 If a court finds part of this contract illegal, the rest will continue in force.** Each of the paragraphs of these terms operates separately. If any court or relevant authority decides that any of them are unlawful, the remaining paragraphs will remain in full force and effect.

- 15.5 Even if we delay in enforcing this contract, we can still enforce it later.** If we do not insist immediately that you do anything you are required to do under these terms, or if we delay in taking steps against you in respect of your breaking this contract, that will not mean that you do not have to do those things and it will not prevent us taking steps against you at a later date. For example, if you miss a payment and we do not chase you but we continue to provide the goods, we can still require you to make the payment at a later date.
- 15.6 Which laws apply to this contract and where you may bring legal proceedings.** These terms are governed by English law and you can bring legal proceedings in respect of the goods in the English courts. If you live in Scotland you can bring legal proceedings in respect of the goods in either the Scottish or the English courts. If you live in Northern Ireland you can bring legal proceedings in respect of the goods in either the Northern Irish or the English courts. If you live outside the United Kingdom, you can bring legal proceedings in respect of the goods in the courts of the country in which you live.
- 15.7 Alternative dispute resolution.** Alternative dispute resolution is a process where an independent body considers the facts of a dispute and seeks to resolve it, without you having to go to court. If you are not happy with how we have handled any complaint, you may want to contact an alternative dispute resolution provider such as the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR). In addition, please note that disputes may be submitted for online resolution to the [European Commission Online Dispute Resolution](#) platform.

**Schedule 1      Model Cancellation Form**

*(Complete and return this form only if you wish to withdraw from the contract)*

To [Vita Group/applicable Vita Group entity selling the goods to you as indicated in the order confirmation or invoice, Oldham Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 2DB and [vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com](mailto:vitashieldsales@thevitagroup.com)

I/We [\*] hereby give notice that I/We [\*] cancel my/our [\*] contract of sale of the following goods [\*]/for the supply of the following service [\*],

Ordered on [\*/received on [\*],

Name of consumer(s),

Address of consumer(s),

Signature of consumer(s) (only if this form is notified on paper),

Date

[\*] Delete as appropriate

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