

# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

# 1. Scope

- a. The legal relations established via this online library between the operator of the online library (hereinafter referred to as "Pattern Design") and its customers (hereinafter referred to as "Licensee") shall be exclusively subject to the following General Terms and Conditions in their current version at the time the relevant contract is concluded.
- b. These General Terms and Conditions shall exclusively apply to business transactions between companies (B2B).

# 2. Exclusive application

Any deviating General Terms and Conditions of the Licensee shall not apply. Such deviating General Terms and Conditions of the Licensee shall only become effective if expressly confirmed in writing by Pattern Design. This means any actions taken by Pattern Design in order to fulfil the contract are not deemed to be Pattern Design's consent to provisions deviating from these General Terms and Conditions.

#### 3. Registration and user account

In order to be able to buy patterns from Pattern Design, the Licensee must register on www.patterndesigns.com. Such registration shall be free of charge. Upon completion of the registration process, the Licensee shall receive a user account without any restriction as to time. The Licensee must not provide incorrect or misleading information upon registration (such as name, VAT no. e-mail address or URLs).

The purchase of licenses to patterns is subject to the conclusion of additional contracts (please see no. 5). Such information provided can only be changed by directly contacting Pattern Design in writing, either via e-mail or mail. The Licensee shall be entitled to request at any time that Pattern Design deletes its registration and thus its user account and deactivates its user name and password. Such request must be made via e-mail or mail.

# 4. Contractual language

The Licensee can choose between English and German as contractual language.



## 5. Conclusion of contract

The presentation of the patterns in the online library shall not be deemed to be a binding offer by Pattern Design to conclude a contract. The Licensee shall merely be requested to submit an offer by placing an order. By sending an order via the online library, the Licensee makes a binding offer aiming at the conclusion of a contract for the patterns in the shopping cart. In addition, by sending the order, the Licensee accepts these General Terms and Conditions as the General Terms and Conditions exclusively applicable to the legal relationship between the Licensee and Pattern Design. The acceptance of the contract and delivery shall be effected as soon as the Licensee activates the link for the download. At the same time, the risk shall pass to the Licensee.

#### 6. Subject matter of the contract

In this online library, Pattern Design sells various licenses to repeat patterns to registered Licensees. The copyright for these patterns remains with Pattern Design. The Licensee shall be able to purchase the following licenses:

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This license shall be unlimited as to scope and time, however, it shall be non-exclusive and without the right to grant sub-licenses. The Licensee shall be allowed to use such patterns on products or derivatives. Any restriction of the number produced shall be excluded. After the conclusion of contract, such patterns shall remain in the online library and can be purchased by other Licensees, as well.

## 6.2. EXCLUSIVE license – limited or unlimited

The "Exclusive License" is offered in two options. Both options just differ in the time limitation:

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This license shall be an exclusive license, unlimited as to scope, however, without the right to grant sub-licenses. This exclusive license shall be limited to a period of 2 years starting at the time the contract is concluded. The Licensee shall be allowed to use such patterns on products or derivatives. After conclusion of contract, these patterns shall be removed from the online library for a period of two years and cannot be bought by any other Licensee. After these two years, Pattern Design reserves the right to offer these patterns under an unlimited license again.

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# 7. Terms of payment

- a. All prices are stated net.
- b. Pattern Design accepts the following methods of payment: direct ebanking or payment by credit card (Visa, MasterCard).
- c. The invoiced amount shall become due immediately upon receipt of the order confirmation. In case of payment by direct ebanking or credit card, the invoiced amount shall be charged to your account on the due date.

# 8. Additional duties and obligations of the Licensee

- a. The personal login data (user name, password, etc.) for the user account , shall only be used by the Licensee. The Licensee shall be obliged to treat them with strict secrecy and must not disclose them to any third party. In addition, the Licensee shall be obliged to protect such data from any third party access. Personal login data should be changed in regular intervals for security purposes. In case the Licensee has a reason to believe that any unauthorised third party obtained such login data, the Licensee shall be obliged to change these data immediately.
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# 9. Rights of Pattern Design

- a. In case of any severe violation of the Licensee's obligations as well as in case of any founded material suspicion of any violation of such obligations, Pattern Design shall be entitled at any time to terminate the Licensee's user account or to block it for an indefinite period of time at the Licensee's expense.
- b. Pattern Design shall not be responsible for the contents and pictures of linked websites.
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e. Pattern Design shall be entitled to take legal action in case of any suspected counterfeit merchandise, in particular in case of prohibited reproduction of patterns or sub-licensing.

#### 10. Consequences of termination of the user account

Should the user account be terminated, e.g. by a notice of termination, the Licensee's user account shall be deleted and the user name and password shall be deactivated.

## 11. Warranty (liability for defects)

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- b. A similarity with existing patterns cannot be excluded. Therefore, Pattern Design does not guarantee that other copyright holders do not design similar patterns at the same time.



## 13. Prohibition to assign and pledge

The Licensee shall not be entitled to assign or pledge any claims and rights the Licensee is entitled to assert against Pattern Design, unless Pattern Design gives its written consent. Pattern Design shall not be obliged to give such consent unless the Licensee can prove that it has a legitimate interest in such assignment or pledge.

## 14. Right of set-off and retention

The Licensee shall not be entitled to any right of set-off unless its claim is undisputed or recognised by declaratory judgement. Moreover, the Licensee may only exercise its right of retention to the extent its counterclaim is based on the same contractual relationship.

## 15. Choice of law and jurisdiction

- a. The contractual relationship between Pattern Design and the Licensee shall be subject to Austrian law. The application of the UN Sales Convention as well as of the rules on conflict of laws of the private international law shall be excluded.
- b. Place of venue for any disputes arising out of the contractual relationship between Pattern Design and the Licensee shall be the court competent for the seat of Pattern Design.

#### 16. Severability clause

The ineffectiveness of one of the provisions contained in these General Terms and Conditions shall not affect the effectiveness of the remaining provisions thereof.