Terms and Conditions for Hostra LTD

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1. Definitions

- "Service": Web hosting, domains, email, and related products.
- "AUP": Acceptable Use Policy (Section 5).
- "SLA": Service Level Agreement (Section 7).
- "User Content": Files, data, or materials uploaded by you.

2. Account Terms

2.1 Registration

- Accuracy: Provide truthful, current information. Pseudonyms prohibited.
- Verification: We may request ID scans for high-risk accounts.
- Account Types:
 - o Individual: Personal use only.
 - o **Business**: Requires company registration proof.

2.2 Security

- **Breach Liability**: You are liable for damages caused by compromised credentials.
- Two-Factor Authentication (2FA): Mandatory for resellers and enterprise accounts.

2.3 Inactive Accounts

• Accounts with 180 days of inactivity will be terminated (data deleted).

3. Payment Terms

3.1 Fees & Billing

• Auto-Renewal: Enabled by default. Disable 72 hours before renewal.

- Price Changes: Notification via email 30 days prior. Continued use = acceptance.
- **Taxes**: VAT/GST added where applicable.

3.2 Refund Policy

Non-Refundable Services:

Service	Conditions
Domain Registrations	ICANN fees irreversible.
Dedicated Servers	No refunds after 24 hours.
Setup Fees	One-time charges (e.g., migrations).

Refund Process:

- Submit ticket \rightarrow 5–10 business days for review \rightarrow Refund method (original payment or account credit).
- Chargeback Penalty: £150 dispute fee + permanent ban.

3.3 Suspension for Non-Payment

- **Grace Period**: 7 days post-due date.
- Reactivation Fee: £25 after suspension.

4. Service Usage & Restrictions

4.1 Prohibited Content (Full List)

- **Illegal Material**: Child exploitation, terrorism-related content.
- **High-Risk Activities**: Cryptocurrency mining, Tor exit nodes.
- **Unethical SEO**: Link farming, keyword stuffing, scraping.
- Resource Abuse:
 - Shared Hosting: > 25 concurrent processes.
 - **Email**: > 500 emails/hour on shared plans.

4.2 Copyright & DMCA Compliance

- **Takedown Process**: Submit notices to josh.rayner@hostra.co.uk.
 - o Repeat infringers terminated under the "Three Strikes Rule."

4.3 Fair Usage Policy (FUP)

• "Unlimited" Services: Subject to FUP. We may throttle or suspend accounts consuming > 5x the average.

5. Technical Policies

5.1 Backups

- Self-Managed: You are responsible for backups (excludes "Managed Hosting" plans).
- **Disaster Recovery**: We retain backups for **7 days** (restore fee: £50/request).

5.2 Software & Updates

- End-of-Life Software: PHP 5.x, MySQL 5.6, etc., auto-disabled.
- Vulnerability Scans: We may patch critical flaws without notice.

5.3 IP Addresses

- Ownership: IPs remain Hostra's property.
- Blacklist Removal: £100 fee if your actions cause IP/Domain blacklisting.

6. Termination & Suspension

6.1 Grounds for Immediate Termination

- AUP Violations: Spam, DDoS, phishing.
- Legal Orders: Requests from law enforcement.

6.2 Data Retrieval Post-Termination

• Fee: £200 + £50/hour labor for data recovery (if possible).

7. Liability & Warranties

7.1 No Warranty

- "As-Is" Basis: No guarantees of fitness for purpose.
- Third-Party Services: We disclaim liability for cPanel, CloudLinux, etc.

7.2 Limitation of Liability

- Cap: Total fees paid in the last 6 months.
- Exclusions: Data loss, reputational harm, third-party claims.

8. Dispute Resolution

8.1 Escalation Process

- 1. **Negotiation**: 30-day informal resolution.
- 2. Mediation: London-based mediator (costs split 50/50).
- 3. **Arbitration**: Final binding decision under LCIA rules.

8.2 Class Action Waiver

• Claims must be filed individually.

9. Force Majeure

- Exemptions: No liability for delays due to:
 - Natural disasters
 - Cyberwarfare
 - Government sanctions

10. Reseller & Agency Terms (NEW)

10.1 Reseller Obligations

- Client Liability: You indemnify Hostra for your clients' actions.
- **Branding**: No "white-label" rights unless purchased.

10.2 API Usage

- Rate Limits: 500 requests/hour.
- Commercial Use: Requires written approval.

11. GDPR & Data Processing (NEW)

- **DPA**: Hostra acts as a **data processor**. Submit DPAs for EU data.
- Audits: £1,000/hour fee for compliance audits.

12. Domain-Specific Terms (NEW)

12.1 Registrations

- **Expiry**: Auto-renew unless disabled. Redemption fee: £80 + registration cost.
- Transfers: Unlocked after 60 days.

12.2 Disputes

• UDRP Compliance: Follow ICANN's dispute resolution process.

13. Amendments

- Notice: Posted on hostra.co.uk/terms 30 days prior.
- Objections: Terminate service if you disagree.

14. Contact

- Legal Notices: help@hostra.co.uk (24-hour response).
- Abuse Reports: josh.rayner@hostra.co.uk.