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POLICIES

Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking Policy

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1. POLICY STATEMENT

- 1.1 Modern slavery is a crime and a violation of fundamental human rights. It takes various forms, such as slavery, servitude, forced and compulsory labour and human trafficking, all of which have in common the deprivation of a person's liberty by another in order to exploit them for personal or commercial gain. We are committed to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business dealings and relationships and to implementing and enforcing effective systems and controls to ensure modern slavery is not taking place anywhere in our own business or in any of our supply chains.
- 1.2 We are also committed to ensuring there is transparency in our own business and in our approach to tackling modern slavery throughout our supply chains, consistent with our disclosure obligations under the Modern Slavery Act 2015. We expect the same high standards from all of our contractors, suppliers and other business partners and as part of our contracting processes, we include specific prohibitions against the use of forced, compulsory or trafficked labour, or anyone held in slavery or servitude, whether adults or children, and we expect that our suppliers will hold their own supply chains to the same high standards.
- 1.3 This policy applies to all persons working for us or on our behalf in any capacity, including Partnership members at all levels, Directors, officers, agency workers, seconded workers, volunteers, interns, agents, contractors, external consultants, third-party representatives and business partners.
- 1.4 This policy does not form part of any Partnership member's contract of employment and we may amend it at any time.

2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE POLICY

- 2.1 The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for ensuring this policy complies with our legal and ethical obligations, and that all those under our control comply with it.
- 2.2 The HR Department has day-to-day responsibility for implementing this policy, monitoring its use and effectiveness, dealing with any queries about it, and auditing internal control systems and procedures to ensure they are effective in countering modern slavery.
- 2.3 Management at all levels are responsible for ensuring those reporting to them understand and comply with this policy and are given adequate and regular training on it and the issue of modern slavery in supply chains.
- 2.4 You are invited to comment on this policy and suggest ways in which it might be improved. Comments, suggestions and queries are encouraged and should be addressed to the HR Department.

3. COMPLIANCE WITH THE POLICY

- 3.1 You must ensure that you read, understand and comply with this policy.
- 3.2 The prevention, detection and reporting of modern slavery in any part of our business or supply chains is the responsibility of all those working for us or under our control. You are required to avoid any activity that might lead to, or suggest, a breach of this policy.

- 3.3 You must notify the HR Department or the confidential whistleblowing helpline found in Section 6 of this policy as soon as possible if you believe or suspect that a conflict with this policy has occurred, or may occur in the future.
- 3.4 You are encouraged to raise concerns about any issue or suspicion of modern slavery in any parts of our business or supply chains of any supplier tier at the earliest possible stage.
- 3.5 If you believe or suspect a breach of this policy has occurred or that it may occur you must notify your Manager or the HR Department or report it in accordance with our Whistleblowing Policy as soon as possible. You should note that where appropriate, and with the welfare and safety of local workers as a priority, we may give support and guidance to our suppliers to help them address coercive or exploitative work practices in their own business and supply chains.
- 3.6 If you are unsure about whether a particular act, the treatment of workers more generally, or their working conditions within any tier of our supply chains constitutes any of the various forms of modern slavery, raise it with your Manager or HR Department or through the confidential helpline on **01455 638311** or whistle@nuttalls.co.uk
- 3.7 We aim to encourage openness and will support anyone who raises genuine concerns in good faith under this policy, even if they turn out to be mistaken. We are committed to ensuring no one suffers any detrimental treatment as a result of reporting in good faith their suspicion that modern slavery of whatever form is or may be taking place in any part of our own business or in any of our supply chains. Detrimental treatment includes dismissal, disciplinary action, threats or other unfavourable treatment connected with raising a concern. If you believe that you have suffered any such treatment, you should inform the HR Department immediately. If the matter is not remedied, and you are a Partnership member, you should raise it formally using our Grievance Procedure.

4. COMMUNICATION AND AWARENESS OF THIS POLICY

- 4.1 Training on this policy, and on the risk our business faces from modern slavery in its supply chains, forms part of the induction process for all individuals who work for us, and regular training will be provided as necessary.
- 4.2 Our commitment to addressing the issue of modern slavery in our business and supply chains must be communicated to all suppliers, contractors and business partners at the outset of our business relationship with them and reinforced as appropriate thereafter.

5. BREACHES OF THIS POLICY

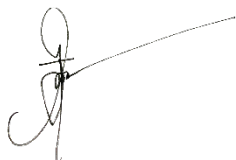
- 5.1 Any Partnership member who breaches this policy will face disciplinary action, which could result in dismissal for misconduct or gross misconduct.
- 5.2 Direct discrimination occurs where someone is treated less favourably because of one or more of the protected characteristics set out above. For example, rejecting an applicant on the grounds of their race because they would not 'fit in' would be direct discrimination.
- 5.3 We may terminate our relationship with other individuals and organisations working on our behalf if they breach this policy.

6. CONTACT DETAILS

[e] whistle@nuttalls.co.uk

[t] Confidential hotline: 01455 638311

On Behalf of the Board of Directors as a collective

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mick Steele', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mick Steele
Secretary

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