

## **Summer School Terms and Conditions**

This Contract is between us and you, not any other person or organisation that you may book rooms, meals or facilities for. Our acceptance of a booking is made solely with you and the booking may not be transferred to an agent or third party without our written agreement. You accept responsibility for paying all charges, including any extra charges, arising under this Contract.

**These Terms and Conditions** will form part of the Contract, together with any other terms stated in the Booking Contract.

#### **Definitions**

'The College' and 'we' or 'us' and 'our' means St-Edmunds College in the University of Cambridge (being a registered charity with registered charity number 1137454). 'The Client', 'you' and 'your' means the organising body/company and organiser responsible for the commissioning of and payment for the event. The 'Contract' means the agreement between the College and the Client for a specific booking or series of bookings (the 'Event'). The 'Booking Contract' means the booking contract to which these terms and conditions are attached. The 'Deposit' means an amount equal to 25% of your total booking value. References to a 'working day' means a day of the week other than a Saturday, Sunday or any day which is a public holiday in England.

#### Confirmation of your booking

- 1. Once you let us know that you wish to proceed with your provisional booking, if your booking is acceptable to us, we will write to you and ask that you complete, sign and return the Booking Contract to us within 5 working days of the date of our latter.
- 2. The completed Booking Contract must clearly state the accommodation, meals and other facilities, including the numbers that you have booked and must include a clear statement of any other arrangements that have been agreed between you and us.
- **3.** Following our receipt of your completed and signed Booking Contract if your booking remains acceptable to us we will arrange for the completed Booking Contract to be signed on behalf of the College to confirm acceptance of your request for facilities at the Event.
- **4.** The Contract will be formed when the completed Booking Contract has been signed on behalf of the College (and a copy will be provided to you) or, if earlier, when we receive and acknowledge receipt of your Deposit (for those bookings for which a deposit payment is required).
- **5.** If we do not receive your signed Booking Contract within 5 working days of the date of our letter we reserve the right to release your provisional booking for the Event and re-sell the space and facilities held.

## Reductions and Other Amendments by You

- **6.** Amendments to numbers and/or arrangements for your Event must be confirmed to us in writing. As the specific details of a booking are established, the value of that booking may increase. From time to time we will issue you with updated estimated costings, setting out the then current value of your booking. You hereby acknowledge and agree that in the event of any cancellation of your booking any supplementary quotations issued to you shall be incorporated into the Contract for the purposes of these terms and conditions.
- **7.** Reduction in the duration or contracted value of the booking shall be subject to the terms for cancellation set out in these terms and conditions.
- **8.** No charges will be made for any reductions in numbers of those attending the Event if such reductions are up to, but do not exceed, **10**% of those stated in the Contract, provided that

we receive from you written notification of such reductions at least 10 working days prior to arrival for the Event.

- **9.** If at any time prior to the Event you notify us of a reduction in numbers of those attending the Event which is more than 10% of those stated in the Contract we will first endeavour to re-sell any facilities and services released to a similar value. In the event that the released facilities and services cannot be resold, then any reductions of more than **10%** from those stated in the Contract shall be subject to the terms for cancellation set out in these terms and conditions.
- **10.** The following scale of charges applies if a conference is cancelled, or if the number of delegates decreases by more than 10% of the original confirmed booking, and notification is received less than 12 months prior to the conference start date:

#### Notice of cancellation/decrease

- More than 6 clear months' notice Loss of deposit
- 4-6 months' notice 50% of the booking value
- 3-4 months' notice 75% of the booking value
- 2 months' notice Full amount due
- **11.** Should you make significant changes to the programme for, or the expected numbers attending, this may result in amendments in the applicable rates and/or facilities offered by us.
- 12. Definitive cancellation charges due, can only be confirmed to you after the intended date of your Event, when we shall reduce the charge by the net income on any alternative business we have been able to secure on your behalf (minus a 10% administration fee). If the deposit and/or other prepayments made by you in respect of a cancelled booking are less than or equal to the amount of any cancellation charges due, they shall be non-refundable.

## Amendments or Cancellation by Us

- **13.** Should we, for reasons beyond our control, need to make any amendments to your booking, we reserve the right to offer alternative facilities at no additional cost to you.
- **14.** Our acceptance of your booking is on the understanding that circumstances beyond our control may prevent us from meeting our obligations at the relevant time in which case we will not be liable for any loss or damage suffered by you or any third party.
- **15.** In addition to any other rights which the College may have, the College may terminate its contract with the Client if:
- (a) the Client fails to provide the College with all information requested by the College (as referred to in paragraph 2 above) at least 15 working days prior to commencement of the Event; (b) the Client fails to pay any of our invoices on or before the due date for payment:
- (c) the Client otherwise breaches any term or condition of the Contract and, if the breach is remediable, fails to remedy the breach within 14 days of a written notice from the College requiring the breach to be remedied;
- (d) or if we become aware of any significant alteration in the financial situation of the Client.

## **Charges and Payment**

16. The payment schedule is as follows:

- (a) 25% of the booking value with the signed contract
- (b) 30% of the booking value 2 months prior to arrival (c) 30% of the booking value 1 month prior to arrival
- (d) The remaining 15% along with any extras will be invoiced at the end of the booking and are payable within 28 days following the date of the invoice.

- **17.** Payment must be made in pounds sterling (UK). We reserve the right to pass on any bank charges resulting from exchange of foreign currency payments.
- **18.** In the event of payment becoming **overdue**, interest at four percentage points above the base rate for the time being in force of **Barclays Bank plc** at the date when payment became due may be added to your account for each month or part of month that the account remains unpaid.
- **19.** All accounts are subject to VAT at the prevailing rate at the date of invoicing, unless the Client is exempt in which case the client must comply with all criteria set out in the vat exemption form and return a completed and signed copy of the VAT Exemption Form with their contract in order for the exemption to apply.

## **Arrival and Departure**

- **20.** The bedroom accommodation at the College is available from 15:00 hrs on the day of arrival, and must be vacated by 10:00 hrs on the day of departure, unless specific alternative arrangements have been agreed by us.
- **21.** The meeting rooms are available for the time shown on the Booking Contract. Any extension of such time must be agreed in advance and may incur additional charges.
- **22.** The College must be informed immediately of any delays and expected times of arrival.

## **Insurance and Liability**

- 23. Our insurance provides public liability cover where we are held liable. You are encouraged to provide your own Insurance to protect you and your Event against cancellation or abandonment with a minimum sum insured based on the anticipated payments to us.
- **24.** Nothing in the Contract limits or excludes our liability for personal injury or death caused by our negligence, or for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.
- **25.** We do not accept any liability for loss of profits, loss of sales or business, loss of agreements or contracts, loss of anticipated savings, loss of use or corruption of software, data or information, loss of or damage to goodwill or loss or damage of an indirect or consequential nature.
- **26.** In no circumstances will we accept any responsibility for the loss or damage to any property including any film, video or audio/visual material, or to motorcars or other vehicles, which may be used by you or any attendees/guests at or in connection with the Event.
- **27.** You must reimburse to us the full costs of repairing any damage to our property, contents or grounds caused by you or any of your attendees/guests at the Event. This may include the cost of special cleaning.
- **28.** Neither party shall be liable to the other for any failure to perform its obligations under this Contract where its failure to do so is the result of event beyond its reasonable control.

## Use of the College's intellectual property

- **29.** The Client shall not use, or authorise any third party to use, the names, images or logos of the College and/or the University of Cambridge on any publicity materials or press reports in relation to the Event unless the College Management has given its prior written consent. Copies of relevant material must be provided.
- **30.** The Client must not display, or authorise any third party to display, in any part of the College or its grounds any signs, posters or promotional material without the prior written consent of the College management.
- **31.** The Client shall not invite to the Event, or give access to the Event to, any press, TV, film, radio or other media organisation without the College's prior written permission.

## Force Majeure

**32.** The College will not be liable to the Client, nor deemed in breach of its contract with the Client, if as a result of circumstances beyond the College's reasonable control (an event of 'Force Majeure') the College is unable to provide the

facilities for which it has agreed to provide to the Client. Examples of this would include (without limitation):

- (a) Natural Disasters such as fire; flood; storm; earthquake; disease: and
- **(b)** War, terrorism, strikes, failure of utility supply, breakdown of machinery, delays caused by sub-contractors.
- **33.** In the event of Force Majeure both parties will be excused from their obligations under the Contract save for the payment of the **25% deposit** which will be retained by the College to cover administration costs up to that point.

#### General

- **34.** A detailed schedule should be provided to the Conference Office at least one month ( preferably earlier ) prior to arrival. This should include details such as what activities are taking place, when and where; what meals are being taken in College and when packed lunches/dinners are required; when coaches will be arriving at College etc.
- **35.** Any changes to the programme should be notified to the Conference Office immediately. Changes to meal requirements within ten working days will be accommodated where possible. No refunds for cancellations to meals within ten working days will be made.
- **36.** Numbers for all meals (particularly waitress served meals) should be given to the Conference Office at least 15 days beforehand.
- **37.** The College will NOT accept bookings which include children younger than 12 years of age.
- **38.** All groups must provide guests with Lanyards that should be worn at all times whilst in the College. The details (which should be clearly visible to staff) should contain the following information:
- 1. Name of the Summer School
- 2. Guest's name
- 3. Emergency contact number
- **39.** We must comply with certain licensing and statutory regulations and require you to fulfil your obligations in this respect.
- **40.** Should any of your delegates behaviour fall below a level of what should be reasonably expected, including smoking onsite, we reserve the right to apply appropriate charges and/or to terminate their/your stay. Should this occur, no monies will be refunded to you and you will be charged and invoiced for the entire cost of that stay notwithstanding such termination. The Head of Domestic Operations decision in this regard shall be final.
- **41.** Any exhibition/poster session held as part of your Event must be fully agreed in advance with our 'Conference Office'.
- **42.** No animals or pets of any kind, other than assistance dogs, are allowed on our premises.
- **43.** The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the College and the Client, and supersedes and extinguishes all previous agreements, promises, assurances, warranties, representations and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter.
- **44.** No variation of the Contract shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the authorised representatives of the College and the Client.
- **45.** No failure or delay by the College in exercising any of its rights or remedies provided under the Contract or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy, nor shall it prevent or restrict later reliance on that or any other right or remedy.
- **46.** The rights and remedies provided under these terms and conditions are in addition to, and not exclusive of, any rights or remedies provided by law.
- **47.** Nothing in the Contract is intended to, or shall be deemed to, establish any partnership or joint venture between the

College and the Client, constitute either of the College or the Client as the agent of the other, or authorise either the College or the Client to make or enter into any commitments for or on behalf of the other.

**48.** The Contract, and any dispute or claim (including noncontractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation, shall be governed and construed in all respects according to English law and the College and the Client hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

#### Rooms and facilities booked:

- **49.** We will provide AV facilities in your main meeting room only. Any requests for extra AV facilities will be subject to availability.
- **50.** It is your responsibility to ensure the suitability of our facilities for your event requirements. We will not unreasonably prevent access by you to view the site in advance of the event to check access, dimensions, floor plans, resources, supplies, etc. We will not be responsible for any losses resulting from your omission to conduct an advance site visit or to accurately determine the availability of the services and facilities you require.

#### Plans approval:

- 51. You will be required to submit written proposals in respect of:
- (a) Stage sets/structures to be erected in any part of the College:
- **(b)** The erection, provision or supply of any electrical or other equipment in any part of the College;
- (c) Any particular requirements e.g. 3 phase electrical supply or audio visual facilities.
- (d) Any externally arranged entertainment, services or activities that you have planned. Should we refuse for any reason we are not liable for any resultant cost.
- **52.** Such proposals must comply with our Fire Safety Management Plan and Health & Safety Policy.
- **53.** Your proposal must be received by us at least four weeks before the Event and prior to your making any irrevocable decisions. We will confirm to you in writing those parts of your proposal with which we agree.

## Health & Safety and Security:

- **54.** You must carry out Risk Assessments, on the venue/facility and the proposed sets/structures/processes. These must include stipulation of areas of Health and Safety responsibility. Risk Assessments must be approved by us, where appropriate.
- **55.** No additional security arrangements will be provided unless stated in the Contract. Such requirements may incur extra cost for which you will be responsible.
- **56.** The use of dry ice and/or smoke machines is not permitted in any area of the College as these will activate the College's fire alarm systems.
- **57.** The supply of power in excess of that available as standard in the room(s) must be discussed and agreed with us in advance of the event.
- **58.** Under 'Electricity at Work' regulations, we cannot accept liability for the safety or efficiency of any electrical appliances brought onto our premises. Furthermore, you will be

responsible for any damage, howsoever caused, resulting from the use of any equipment or display apparatus introduced into the College by you or your contractor.

#### Access:

- **59.** The times stated in the Contract include set-up and breakdown time. No additional time will be available unless separately agreed and for which there may be resultant charges.
- **60.** Constant use of the facilities e.g. through the night for setup or breakdown, is not included unless stipulated in the Contract and may incur additional cost in respect of any extra staff or other resources that may be required.
- **61.** Arrival/departure times, unloading and loading arrangements, parking of vehicles during the Event must be agreed with us at least one week prior to the date of the Event.

## Damage and Disturbance:

- **62.** We will expect you to restore our property and facilities to the same condition you found it after the completion of your Event.
- **63.** You will be held responsible for any damage caused to the fixtures and fittings and the fabric of the building, during the entirety of your Event. You must reimburse to us the cost of repairing any such damage caused by you.
- **64.** Any sound emanating from the Event areas must be kept to a volume that does not cause annoyance/inconvenience to other visitors or College users. In the event of a dispute, the College's decision will be final. If requested to do so by the College's Duty Porter, sound volumes must be lowered.

#### **EVENT CONTENT**

#### Licensing:

- **65.** The College holds a Premises Licence which authorises it to hold the following licensable activities performance of live music, recorded music, dance, entertainment, the service of alcohol and late night refreshments.
- **66.** The times and areas of the College that such licensable activities may be conducted are restricted. You must check with us to ensure that you do not operate outside of the licenced times.

# **Emergency Procedures:**

- **67.** Fire escape signage and firefighting apparatus must not be tampered with or covered in any way.
- **68.** Access to emergency exits must be kept clear at all times. Blocking of doorways or exits at any time is prohibited.
- **69.** In the event of an emergency, an alarm will sound continuously. During a meal, College staff will instruct guests to evacuate the room using the emergency exits, which are indicated by the green 'running man' signs. During other activities, i.e. after a meal during entertainment, disco etc, an announcement of the need to evacuate using the emergency exits must be made by your Event organiser.
- **70.** The assembly areas are in front of Main Reception. The College's Duty Porter will issue further instructions.
- **71.** Procedures for evacuation are displayed in the bedrooms and meeting rooms, you should familiarise yourself with the emergency exits.

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# **EVENT CONTENT Subject Matter:** Formal Speakers: Yes No Full Names of Speakers and their Company or Organisation: Event open to the Public: Yes No **Proposed Publicity & Marketing:** Are Media Invited: Yes No Sponsorship of your Event and Details of each Organisation and agreements regarding publicity: Will the Event include any activities that may represent a risk to the health and safety of any individual: Yes No In your view, have any of your speakers at the event previously expressed views which may be interpreted as Yes No causing controversy, or promoting extreme intolerance of vies to others: Answering Yes to any of these questions may not lead to a booking being refused but will enable the college to engage with you at early stage to assist you in managing your event. St-Edmunds College will process your data fairly and lawfully in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Further information is available in the College's Data Protection Policy and the relevant Data Protection Statements which can be viewed at: https://www.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk/data-protection **DECLARATION BY ORGANISER:** I declare that I am duly authorised by the Client to organise an event for it and that I have read the Event booking terms attached and hereby agree, on behalf of the Client, that the Client shall be bound by these Terms if the College accepts this request for facilities. SIGNED: Name: Position: Date: Please tick the boxes if you are happy to be contacted about future offers and promotions Email Phone The College hereby accepts the Client's request for facilities SIGNED: Name: Position:

Please note that in order to comply with the terms and conditions you must return all the final details, menus, dietary requirements and rooming lists no later than 15 working days prior to the Event.

Date:

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#### VAT EXEMPTION DECLARATION

#### SUPPLIES OF EDUCATION AND CLOSELY RELATED GOODS AND SERVICES

Contract between St-Edmund's College and Name and address of organisation:		
Function title :		
Date of function :		

In order to determine if the charges resulting from this contract are exempt from Value Added Tax we need to know whether or not your organisation is an "eligible body" and if so, whether the goods and services to be provided by the College are "closely related to supplies of education" provided to your students, trainees, etc.

#### You are an "eligible body" if you are a:

- 1. School;
- 2. UK University, and any college, institution, school or hall of such a University (UK campuses of foreign universities are excluded, but may be eligible under category 6 below);
- 3. Further and Higher Education Institution (as defined under legislation governing such bodies);
- 4. Public body, for example a Government Department, Executive Agency, Local Authority and Health Authority;
- **5.** Body which provides the teaching of English as a foreign language but only in so far as the provision relates to the teaching of English as a foreign language:
- **6.** Body not falling within categories 1 to 5 above which:
- (a) Is precluded from distributing and does not distribute any profit it makes; and,
- (b) Applies any profits made from supplies of education towards the continuance or improvement of such supplies.

### "Education" is broadly defined as:

"A course or lesson of instruction or study in any subject, whether or not that subject is normally taught in schools, colleges or universities and regardless of where and when it takes place. It includes lectures, educational seminars, conferences and symposia, together with holiday, sporting and recreational courses. It also includes the provision of distance training and associated materials if the student is subject to assessment. In the sports sector, education includes classes that are led and directed, rather than merely supervised with no form of instruction taking place.

#### "Goods and services closely related to supplies of education"

This relates to goods and services that are for the direct use of students, trainees, conference attendees, etc. and that are necessary for delivering the education to such people. These include accommodation and catering.

# DECLARATION

I/We declare that:

#### Part A

- \*1) This organisation is not an eligible body.
- \*2) This organisation is an eligible body under category ( \_\_\_\_ ) detailed above.
- \* Please delete as applicable

## Part B (please complete only if your organisation is an eligible body)

- \*1) The goods and services to be provided by the College under this contract are closely related to supplies of education and are for the direct use of our students, trainees, conference attendees, etc.
- \*2) The goods and services to be provided by the College under this contract are not closely related to supplies of education and are not for the direct use of our students, trainees, conference attendees, etc.
- \* Please delete as applicable

## SIGNED:

Name:	
Position:	
Date:	

This statement and declaration reflects information contained in Schedule 9, Group 6 of the VAT Act 1994. Subsequent changes in the law may affect the tax status of our supply to you.

The College will review all available evidence to check the validity of your declaration. Should we disagree with the basis of your declaration we reserve the right to charge VAT at standard rate on the relevant