

ANTI-BRIBERY POLICY

Introduction

The Company values its reputation for ethical behaviour and for financial probity and reliability. It recognises that over and above the commission of any crime, any involvement in bribery will also reflect adversely on its image and reputation. Its aim therefore is to limit its exposure to bribery by:

- setting out a clear anti-bribery policy,
- establishing and implementing anti-bribery procedures as appropriate,
- communicating this policy and any relevant procedures to employees and to others who will perform services for the Company,
- undertaking appropriate due diligence measures before engaging others to represent the Company in its business dealings,
- monitoring and reviewing the risks and the effectiveness of any anti-bribery procedures that are in place.

Policy

The Company prohibits the offering, giving, solicitation or acceptance of any bribe (whether cash or other inducement)

- to or from any person or company (wherever they are situated and whether they are a public official or body or private person or company),
- by any individual employee, agent or other person or body acting on behalf of the Company,
- in order to gain any commercial, contractual or regulatory advantage for the Company in a way that is unethical,
- or in order to gain any personal advantage (pecuniary or otherwise) for the individual or anyone connected with the individual.

This policy prohibits any inducement that results in a personal gain or advantage to the recipient or any person or body associated with them, and which is intended to influence them to take action that may not be solely in the interests of the Company or of the person or body employing them or whom they represent.

This policy is not meant to prohibit normal and appropriate hospitality or the giving of a gift on a festival or at another special time, providing they are customary in a particular market, are proportionate and are properly recorded.

Inevitably, decisions as to what is acceptable may not always be easy. If you are in any doubt as to whether a potential act constitutes bribery, the matter should be referred to your Manager before proceeding.

- providing employees with suitable channels of communication and ensuring that sensitive information is treated appropriately,
- investigating instances of alleged bribery and assisting the police and other appropriate authorities in any resultant prosecution,
- caking disciplinary action against any individual(s) involved in bribery.

Any suspicion of bribery should be reported in confidence to the Managing Director who has overall responsibility for bribery prevention.

Communication and representation policy Introduction

The Company will take every step to communicate to all employees with particular respect to its products, services, and plans for the future, etc. It also encourages employees to express their views in terms of suggestions and opinions.

Notice boards

All statutory notices, vacancies, internal information and all other matters of general interest will be displayed on the official notice board. Employees wishing to display notices relating to social, sporting or domestic activities should obtain permission from a member of Management to do so.

The Employee Handbook

All employees will be given a copy of this handbook or advised where it can be accessed electronically at the beginning of their employment with the Company. After that time a copy will always be available on the premises or via Atlas.

Trade Union membership and recognition

The Company recognises your right either to join or not to join a trade union of your choice.

The Company has no recognition agreement with any union and as a result no paid union officials will be allowed on the premises except for the purpose of representation at a disciplinary or individual grievance meeting or any associated appeal meeting.

Telephones (including mobile phones)

Employees may use the Company's telephone system for local calls within reason and in cases or personal emergency. If possible authority should be sought from a member of Management before the call is made and if not as soon as possible afterwards. The cost of private calls made from the Company's mobile phones must be reimbursed to the Company. Personal mobile phones should be kept on silent during working nours and may only be used during designated breaks.

Postal mail

All posted mail delivered to the Company is normally opened centrally even if it is addressed as personal or has confidentiality marking. Therefore, no personal mail should be sent to the Company without permission (e.g. 'signed for' parcels) or personal mail sent out using the Company's system.

