Terms and Conditions

Definition. The Terms and Conditions of the Purchase Order give Cornell University legal protection in all procurement actions and comply with laws governing its operation. See https://www.dfa.cornell.edu/procurement/suppliers/doing-business/terms for the Terms and Conditions document.

Responsibilities.

Procurement Services:

• Procurement Services is responsible for the issuance of and changes to the Terms and Conditions in consultation with the Office of University Counsel, Risk Management and Insurance, and the Office of Sponsored Programs.

• Any time a Supplier presents his/her Terms and Conditions as part of a transaction, a Procurement Services agent (who has transaction authority for the University as defined in University Policy 4.2, Transaction Authority and Payment Approval) is required to review the supplier’s terms for any conflicts that may exist between the supplier’s Terms and Conditions and Cornell’s Terms and Conditions.

• To amend a supplier’s terms and conditions, the procurement agent responsible for issuance of the order may do so either electronically, by requesting the document from the supplier, or by striking the clauses in pen. The agent should be mindful to print legibly any additional terms and initial the change.

End User/FTC/BSC:

• In the event that a supplier presents his/her terms and conditions, the unit should forward the requisition, contract, terms and conditions, and any other accompanying paperwork to Procurement Services for review. Legal counsel will be asked for assistance as required.