

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS ACCEPTANCE

All transactions are subject to, and expressly conditioned on, these General Terms and Conditions. These Terms and Conditions are binding and any additional or inconsistent terms and conditions in any acknowledgement of receipt, Purchase Order, or acceptance documents requested from or provided by the Purchaser are expressly rejected. The European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & HealthCare / Council of Europe (herein referred to as "EDQM") reserves the right to make changes to these General Terms and Conditions at any time including pricing, dispatch policies, terms and conditions, etc. The Purchase will be subject to the terms and conditions policies in force at the time the Purchaser purchases via the EDQM Website, EDQM Store or Online Events Registration System.

No variation of these General Terms and Conditions is binding on the EDQM unless agreed to in writing and signed by the EDQM Director or other authorised representative of the EDQM.

ACCOUNT

Before Purchase Orders can be accepted, the Purchaser must complete an Account & Credit Application Form. Accounts can be closed at the discretion of the EDQM. Purchasers are responsible for ensuring that the information provided to the EDQM is correct and for informing the EDQM of any changes. The EDQM cannot be held responsible for any damage or losses caused by, or alleged to be caused by inaccurate, partial or out-of-date information provided by the Purchaser as part of the purchasing process with the EDQM.

PURCHASE ORDERS

Purchase Orders may be placed by the Purchaser in any commercially acceptable manner that the Purchaser and the EDQM deem appropriate, including online or e-mail, with the exception of telephone. Purchase Orders are subject to acceptance by EDQM and are only deemed to be accepted when the EDQM issues an Order Confirmation e-mail. Any contingencies contained in such Purchase Orders are not binding on EDQM unless agreed to in writing by the Director or other authorised representative of the EDQM.

Availability

The availability of EDQM publications is shown on the EDQM Store, while the availability of other items, e.g. Reference Standards, Events, etc. is shown on the EDQM Website. The EDQM shall use reasonable efforts to fill orders with due regard to availability, demand and inventory on hand, but when quantities of items are limited, the EDQM will try to dispatch orders in such a way that as many Purchasers as possible receive at least some of the quantities ordered.

Further information on the availability of items for shipment will be provided via an Order Confirmation e-mail upon processing of the Purchaser's Purchase Order by the EDQM. Any unavailable product (except those available in limited quantities and some exceptional cases) will be placed on backorder and the EDQM will automatically ship any back order that becomes available.

Duplicate orders

The Purchaser is financially responsible for duplicate orders in the following cases: when confirming orders, not clearly marked as confirming an order already submitted, are sent to the EDQM, or when submitting the same order multiple times (e.g. via fax, e-mail, EDQM Store, or any combination thereof).

Amendments/cancellations

Amendments/cancellations can only be accepted within 24 hours of the date and time of the Order Confirmation e-mail sent by EDQM and upon the express agreement of the EDQM. After this timeframe, amendments/cancellations are no longer possible. The order will automatically be shipped and/or invoiced and the Purchaser will remain financially responsible for the order.

SHIPPING/DELIVERY/CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

A Confirmation of shipment will be provided via a Prior to Dispatch e-mail to the Purchaser and to the Consignee before the order is dispatched. A Dispatch Notification e-mail with the tracking details will be sent once the order has been sent.

Only the EDQM has the right to choose the shipping service used to dispatch EDQM items. The Consignee/Purchaser is not permitted to provide their shipping import account number to pay shipping charges nor pick up the order directly. The Incoterms used are listed in the specific Terms and Conditions.

Storage and destruction charges

All storage and/or destruction costs invoiced to the EDQM due to late or non-customs clearance by the Purchaser, for whatever reason(s), will be re-invoiced to the purchaser at actual value.

– Regulatory Procedures and SH/NDP (harmonised system).

The SH/NDP code added to each item listed in the shipping documentation is a proposal by the EDQM and is not binding. The importer shall be personally responsible for the tariff classification in the country of import and will assume the ensuing regulatory, fiscal, health and safety obligations.

Origin of the goods: Diplomatic, Council of Europe (France).

PRICES

All prices and product descriptions for goods and order handling charges shall be as those identified on the [EDQM's Website](#) and/or the [EDQM Store](#) at the time the order is processed for dispatch. However, the EDQM will honour all EDQM price quotations up to and including the expiration date on the quotation on condition that the product(s) remain available. Any applicable discounts will be shown on the Order Confirmation.

VAT & OTHER TAXES

VAT

All prices on the EDQM Store or EDQM Website are per unit and exclusive of customs duties and taxes and are shown in euros. Transactions with the EDQM (being part of the Council of Europe) within the European Union are exempt from VAT under Article 13 of the Council of the European Union Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value-added tax. As an international organisation with diplomatic status, the Council of Europe has no VAT identification number. Purchasers based in the EU should comply with applicable VAT regulations. Taxable purchasers should account for VAT via the reverse charge mechanism.

Import and Customs Charges

Notwithstanding the above, customs duties, VAT and other taxes may be levied on all transactions and shipping outside the EU. These duties and taxes are to be paid by the Purchaser who shall be responsible for both declaration and payment of all applicable import taxes, customs clearance costs, final transport charges (depending on the Incoterm) and other customs duties in the country concerned. In no event shall the said duties and taxes be paid by the EDQM nor should they be deducted from the amount paid to the EDQM.

Applicable taxes, customs clearance costs, final transport charges (depending on the Incoterm) and other customs duties do not entitle the Purchaser to cancel his/her order, refuse the items or to claim reimbursement or interest from the EDQM.

INVOICING & PAYMENT

Payment terms will be mentioned on the Order Confirmation e-mail and the invoice. The general payment terms for all items under these Terms and Conditions are thirty (30) days from the end of the month following

the date of the invoice issued by the EDQM, based on approval of a credit line by the EDQM's Accounts Receivable Team. However, the EDQM retains the option to modify the payment terms and this will be communicated to the Purchaser before any pending order is processed.

The EDQM accepts payment via the EDQM Store, Bank Transfer or by Credit/Bank Cards (Visa, Eurocard, MasterCard, and American Express). The EDQM store facility for electronic payment by credit card is fully secure. All data transmitted are encrypted, and neither the EDQM nor any third party has access to them. The EDQM does not accept payment by letter of credit. The Purchaser must ensure that payment is made net of charge for the EDQM and the amount paid must cover the amount invoiced in euros.

Late Payment

Should the Purchaser fail to comply with the payment terms they will automatically be deemed in default of payment and risk having their line of credit rescinded. In addition, all outstanding invoices, even if payment is not already due, will require immediate payment in full, and authorised credit terms will be cancelled.

The EDQM reserves the right to apply a penalty charge of 12% of the total amount outstanding after the due payment date. This penalty is based on the number of overdue days and is calculated as follows: [overdue amount x 12 %] x [overdue days / 365]. The EDQM also reserves the right to apply a charge for debt recovery costs per invoice as follows:

Invoice amount	Recovery costs
Up to €999.99	€40
Between €1000 and €9999.99	€70
From €10 000	€100

The EDQM reserves a security interest in the items until payment is collected in full.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND DATA

Electronic Communications

Where possible, the EDQM limits communication with the Purchaser to electronic means. By placing Purchasing Orders with the EDQM, the Purchaser consents to receive electronic communications in respect of the processing and dispatch of their order from the EDQM as well as updates on product safety and price and service changes.

Personal data processing – Fair Processing Notice (FPN)

The EDQM will use data and other information provided by the Purchaser on the order form and/or the Credit Application Form for ordering, dispatching and for invoicing purposes, and to address any issues linked with the quality of the products bought. The EDQM will also use this data for direct marketing via e-mail, provided that the product or service being marketed is similar to one which the Purchaser has bought within the previous twelve months or, in the case of publications, the Purchaser has purchased the previous edition of the item. Each time the EDQM sends a marketing e-mail, the Purchaser will have the option to decline to receive further marketing e-mails by sending an e-mail to cdu@edqm.eu with “unsubscribe” in the subject line.

The EDQM, for financial reasons, keeps information related to orders for a period of 10 years.

Without prejudice to the possibility of transmitting to its bank and to the forwarders the data required to process orders, the EDQM undertakes not to divulge the Purchaser's data to third parties with the exception of those contacts provided by the Purchaser on the Account and Credit Application Form and/or during the ordering process.

RESELLERS / WHOLESALERS

Although there are a number of companies that offer EDQM items for sale, the EDQM does not appoint authorised resellers of its items. Purchasers are free to purchase directly from the EDQM or from a reseller. The EDQM is not liable for items purchased via a reseller.

WARRANTIES, LIABILITY & RESPONSIBILITY

Warranties

The EDQM does not guarantee that the items will meet the Purchaser's specific expectations. The EDQM only guarantees that the items: (i) are fit for use according to EDQM's intended use of the product; (ii) were fit for use at the time they were handed over to the carrier responsible for the delivery of the items to the Purchaser with such accessories, including packaging, delivery instructions or other instructions for the item's delivery and reception, as the Purchaser may expect to receive; (iii) possess qualities and performance capabilities which are normal in goods of the same type and which the Purchaser may expect given the nature of the goods and the information provided on the EDQM's Website and (iv) were dispatched after both the carrier and the Purchaser received clear and accurate instructions for the item's delivery and reception. No other guarantees, either explicit or implied, are given by the EDQM. The EDQM does not guarantee that the purchase or use of the items will not infringe any intellectual property rights, in particular patents.

Limitation of Liability

In no event shall the EDQM be liable for any damages due to the use of items, including, but not limited to, loss of business, loss of profit, loss of use, loss of opportunity, costs of procurement of substitute goods, services or systems or for any indirect, special, incidental, punitive or consequential damages, however caused and, whether in contract, tort or under any other theory of liability, whether or not the Purchaser has been advised of the possibility of such damages or costs.

In no event shall the EDQM be held liable for any damages of any kind due to the impossibility of using or accessing its Websites; nor shall the EDQM be held liable for any loss whatever its origins, specifically mentioning loss of profits, connected to the information on its Websites. The EDQM declines all responsibility for any damages of any kind resulting from the fraudulent intrusion of a third party leading to the modification of the information provided therein.

Responsibility

The EDQM cannot be held responsible for orders not being fulfilled in the event of items being out of stock or unavailable due to *force majeure*, disturbances or total or partial strike action and flood or fire. Furthermore, the EDQM cannot be held responsible for the consequences of any delay in delivery due to *force majeure*, such as computer breakdown, disruption or strikes affecting national or private courier services.

– Responsibility for items

It is the Purchaser's responsibility to check with the local, regional or national authorities and to make sure that the items that they intend to order can be imported or used in that country before ordering. As a result, the EDQM cannot be held responsible for failure to meet any specific requirements of the legislation of the country where the items are delivered.

The Purchaser is solely responsible for the choice of items, their storage from the time of delivery and their use. In no event shall the EDQM be liable for any consequent damage.

– Responsibility for the availability of online facilities and services (EDQM Website, Online Store, CombiStats and Events Registration System, etc.)

The EDQM will do its utmost to ensure that availability of the EDQM Website, the EDQM Store, the EDQM Online Events Registration System or CombiStats is uninterrupted. However, due to the nature of the Internet, this cannot be guaranteed. Also, access may be occasionally suspended or restricted to allow for repairs,

maintenance, or the introduction of new facilities or services. The EDQM will attempt to limit the frequency and duration of any such suspension or restriction. *Purchaser's responsibility*

The Purchaser guarantees the EDQM against all financial or other implications resulting from any breach or infringement of its obligations.

COMPLAINTS, CLAIMS, RETURNS AND CANCELLATIONS

Complaints or Claims

All Complaints and claims must be made in writing by the Purchaser. They must be received by fax or e-mail or via the EDQM HelpDesk. Any delays in delivery which cannot reasonably be attributed to the EDQM do not entitle the Purchaser to cancel the Purchase Order, refuse the items or claim damages or interest.

– *Faulty or Damaged Goods*

The EDQM is responsible for goods until they are delivered to the Purchaser (or the designated place of delivery) including for any damage *en route* (according to the Incoterms used).

- *Damaged packaging.* The Purchaser's obligation is to evaluate the shipment's outer packaging immediately upon delivery. If the outer packaging is damaged, it is the responsibility of the Purchaser to point this out to the transporter and to undertake a shipment content evaluation in the presence of the transporter. If the content of the shipment is found to be damaged, the Purchaser must ask the transporter to make a note of the damage on the delivery paperwork. The Purchaser must then submit a complaint about parcel content damages to the EDQM with photographic evidence within 1 working day.
- *Suspected damaged goods.* If, at the time of delivery, the outer packaging is not damaged, but there is a suspicion of damage to the contents of the shipment, the Purchaser must undertake a shipment content evaluation in the presence of the transporter. If the content of the shipment is found to be damaged, the Purchaser must ask the courier to make a note of the damages on the delivery paperwork. The Purchaser must then submit a complaint about parcel content damages to the EDQM, with photographic evidence, within 1 working day.

– *Incorrect goods dispatched / Missing items*

It is the Purchaser's responsibility to inspect delivered goods and make any complaints within 5 working days of delivery. Complaints can be made by the Purchaser only if, upon delivery, the items delivered are not found to correspond quantitatively, or if incorrect items are identified, compared with the Order Confirmation and the Prior-to-Dispatch Notification. The "items delivered" refers to the availability of the product under the conditions laid down in article "Availability".

– *Missing parcel*

Complaints for missing parcels have to be sent to the EDQM within 30 days from the shipping date of the parcel.

– *Rectification for justified complaints*

If a complaint is shown to be justified, the EDQM will discuss with the Purchaser the method of rectification, i.e., either refunding the Purchaser and/or sending a replacement.

Returns

The EDQM has different return policies for each type of EDQM product (see "Specific Terms and Conditions" below). In no event shall the Purchaser return items to the EDQM unless the EDQM has been notified and has given its written consent. If the EDQM gives written consent, the EDQM will decide the most economical method to return the goods.

Cancellations

Cancellations can only be accepted if received within 24 hours from the date and time of the Order Confirmation e-mail.

ARBITRATION & APPLICABLE LAW

The aim of the EDQM is to settle any disputes amicably in the framework of these General Terms and Conditions. In accordance with the provisions of article 21 of the General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe, all disputes between the EDQM and the Purchaser as regards the application of these General Terms shall be submitted, if a mutual agreement cannot be reached between the parties, to arbitration as laid down in Order [No. 481 of the Secretary General](#), approved by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe.

This transaction shall be governed by the Council of Europe's relevant regulatory framework, complemented, where necessary, by French national substantive law.

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: REFERENCE STANDARDS

Given the nature of the items, the EDQM reserves the right to refuse any order if the Purchaser is unable to provide guarantees of the competencies, import and/or export permits, authorisation or expertise required.

Purchase Orders

– Addresses

The invoice and the delivery address must be both within the EU or both outside the EU. The EDQM cannot accept an invoice address within the EU and a delivery address outside the EU or vice versa.

– Quantities

Each Reference standard is sold as a "sales unit". Each "sales unit" may include several vials/ampoules. It is the responsibility of the Purchaser to order the number of "sales units" required and not the total number of vials/ampoules or the quantity in mg. The EDQM's [online database](#) for reference standards should be consulted before ordering. The EDQM cannot be held responsible for the Purchaser incorrectly ordering the number of "sales units" required.

The EDQM reserves the right to change without notice the unit quantity of a reference standard if the monographs has been updated.

– Availability and Restrictions

When stocks of a given reference standard are low, the EDQM reserves the right to limit the quantities sold to each Purchaser to ensure that as many Purchasers as possible will receive at least some of the quantities available.

Restrictions on quantities are applied at the time the Purchase Order is received.

Warranties, Liabilities and Responsibility

– Quality and purpose of items supplied

Reference standards are supplied by the EDQM as follows:

- All chemical substances, herbal standards or biological preparations listed in our catalogue are supplied exclusively as European Pharmacopoeia Chemical Reference Substances, Herbal Reference Standards Biological Reference Preparations/ Reagents or Reference Spectra (Ph. Eur. CRS, HRS, BRP, BRR or RS) with the primary intention for use in tests and assays carried out in accordance with the official methods of the European Pharmacopoeia (Ph. Eur.).
- All WHO International Chemical Reference Substances (ICRS) are supplied with the primary intention for use in physical and chemical tests and assays described in the specifications published in "The International Pharmacopoeia" for the quality control of pharmaceutical substances.
- All WHO International Standards for Antibiotics (ISA) are generally intended for the establishment of regional or national secondary standards subsequently used in routine laboratory tests and assays.

– *Safety*

In the event of any safety concerns or for any other information about a product, the Purchaser must read carefully the safety data sheets or safety data statements available for hazard identified products. It is up to Purchasers to determine independently the risks associated with the items according to the information leaflet and safety data sheet for each item listed on the EDQM's reference standards online database and to take appropriate safety measures, including the provision of appropriate information, equipment and training to those persons coming into contact with the item.

– *Warranties*

Except for the use of Reference Standards in tests and assays carried out in accordance with the official methods of the European Pharmacopoeia and by professionals with the necessary technical skills and at their own discretion and risk, the EDQM makes no representation, contractual statement, or expression of opinion concerning the quality or safety of any item supplied, the presence of any defect in it, or its fitness for any particular purpose except that as described above.

– *Liability*

Any liability of the EDQM for injury, loss or damage arising from the supply or use of any such item is in any event hereby excluded to the fullest extent permitted by internationally accepted commercial standards; in particular, no liability is accepted for loss of profits or indirect or consequential loss.

Shipment/Delivery/Customs Clearance

– *Incoterms*

EDQM reference standards are shipped to the Purchaser on either a:

- DAP (Delivered at Place + destination name),
- CIP (Carriage and Insurance Paid to + destination name),
- or CPT (Carriage Paid To + destination name) basis (only for certain countries or for shipments of EUR 500 or less).

Details will be provided to the Consignee on the Dispatch Notification e-mail. The information is also available on the Website in document [Order and dispatch of EDQM products](#).

- *EDQM reference spectra are sent only by email to the “delivered” contact indicated on the order confirmation. With the exception of resellers who will forward them to their end users, under no circumstances may reference spectra be forwarded to a third party.*

– *Specific documentation for shipment*

It is the responsibility of the Purchaser to check if a special permit is needed in the importing country for the given product or if, for the given product, no importation at all is allowed. All necessary documentation has to be provided with the order (especially as regards biological items). The Purchaser must provide one import licence per controlled item. The EDQM reserves the right to refuse an import document which would mention several controlled items. For details related to specific countries the Purchaser should check the EDQM Website and the Order Confirmation e-mail.

Prices

– *Order Handling charges*

The EDQM will charge EUR 2.50 order handling charge per sales unit, regardless of geographical zone or type of product ordered. This handling charge does not apply to reference spectra.

– *Discount*

No discounts are granted on our reference standards.

Complaints, Claims and Returns

The EDQM only accepts complaints related to faulty, damaged or the incorrect goods dispatched or missing items.

– Returns

For quality reasons, the EDQM cannot take back any item which has been sent.

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: PROFICIENCY TESTING SCHEME (PTS) STUDIES

In addition to the EDQM's General Terms and Conditions, participation in PTS schemes is also bound by specific conditions pertaining to the programme and the related Registration Form PTS and prices as found on the EDQM Website.

Purchase Orders

Purchasers are requested to complete a Registration Form PTS identifying the studies in which they wish to participate. Each registration will be confirmed after the registration deadline.

Purchasers must inform the EDQM if they no longer wish to participate otherwise the items of the study will be shipped and the Purchaser will be liable for payment.

Shipment/Delivery

– Incoterms

EDQM items are shipped to the Purchaser on a DAP (Delivered at Place + destination name) basis. However, the EDQM reserves the right to ship on a CIP (Carriage and Insurance Paid to + destination name) basis or CPT (Carriage Paid To + destination name) basis. Details will be provided to the Purchaser on the Dispatch Notification e-mail.

Prices

For Physico-chemical and Biological PTS, details can be found on the EDQM Website: [Physico-chemical & Biological PTS Fees](#)

Blood Proficiency Testing Scheme (B-PTS) studies are free of charge.

Complaints, Claims and Returns

The EDQM only accepts complaints related to faulty, damaged or incorrect goods dispatched or missing items. The EDQM does not accept claims related to unwanted or cancelled items more than 24 hours from the date and time of the Order Confirmation e-mail.

– Returns

For quality reasons, the EDQM cannot take back any item which has been sent.

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: PUBLICATIONS

– Free EDQM Publications

A number of EDQM publications are provided free of charge by the EDQM. The free EDQM publications are identified on the EDQM Store, EDQM Website and/or the EDQM [Free Publications site](#). The Purchaser shall provide an e-mail address to download a free publication. The Purchaser, by acquiring a free publication, shall obtain the non-exclusive right from the EDQM to install and use the publication. To allow the EDQM to understand how many times the publication is being read the Purchaser agrees not to redistribute or resell the publication.

– Prices

Order handling charges (not applicable for orders placed via the store)

The EDQM will charge EUR 30 per guide and EUR 90 per European Pharmacopoeia subscription (11th Edition only).

– Bookseller Discount

Booksellers may receive discounts from the EDQM for their publication-related purchases. Details of any discounts are listed when the account is set up and will remain in place until further notice.

Invoicing & Payment

Invoices may be established before the goods are shipped. Payment must be received by the EDQM within the payment terms identified on the invoice within the limits of the general payment policy outlined under the General Terms and Conditions herein.

Late payment and access to the European Pharmacopoeia online

Any late payment by the Purchaser of the licence for access to the European Pharmacopoeia online will result in the interruption of the access for all users. Access will be restored upon receipt of payment.

Shipment/Delivery/Customs Clearance

– Incoterms

EDQM publications are shipped to the Purchaser on a DAP (Delivered at Place + destination name) basis only.

– Bookseller Shipment

EDQM publications are sent directly to the bookseller and not to the end user.

Complaints

The EDQM only accepts complaints related to faulty, damaged or the incorrect goods dispatched or missing items.

Returns, cancellations and exchanges

In no event shall the Purchaser return publications to the EDQM unless the EDQM has been notified and has given its written consent. Please be aware that the EDQM will not reimburse the post & packaging charges unless specifically agreed in advance, and in writing, by the EDQM.

– Print format of the European Pharmacopoeia

Returns, cancellations and exchanges requests within the EU are considered on a case-by-case basis, e.g. if the product remains unopened and in its original packaging and only if the request is received within 10 days from receipt of the product. Unfortunately, due to issues with reimportation from outside the European Union (EU), returns, cancellations and exchanges from outside the EU are not permitted.

– European Pharmacopoeia Online

Cancellations are considered on a case-by-case basis. If registered, a licence cannot be cancelled.

– Guides

Cancellation and exchanges are not permitted.

In addition to the EDQM's General Terms and Conditions and these specific conditions, subscriptions to the European Pharmacopoeia online are also bound by the relevant Licence agreement (see below).

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: COMBISTATS

Invoicing & Payment

Invoices may be established before the access code is provided. Payment must be received by the EDQM within the payment terms identified on the invoice within the limits of the general payment policy outlined under the General Terms and Conditions herein.

– Late payment

In the event of late payment by the Purchaser, the EDQM reserves the right to interrupt access to Combistats, regardless of the end user. Access will be restored upon receipt of payment.

Prices

– Bookseller Discount

No bookseller discount will be granted on our CombiStats licences.

Cancellations

Cancellations are considered on a case-by-case basis. If registered, a Combistats licence cannot be cancelled.

In addition to the EDQM's General Terms and Conditions, a CombiStats subscription is also bound by a Licence agreement for the use of CombiStats (see underneath).

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: CERTIFICATION (CEP)

In addition to the EDQM's General Terms and Conditions, the submission of an application for a CEP is also bound by specific conditions pertaining to the Certification Procedure, the related application form and prices as found on the EDQM Website.

Invoicing & Payment

Upon receipt, the application is checked for completeness and, if appropriate, listed for assessment. Once the application has been listed, an invoice will be established.

Payment must be received by the EDQM, in compliance with the payment terms stated on the invoice, irrespective of the outcome of the assessment. The invoice also remains liable for payment even if the Purchaser withdraws their application during the assessment period or if the EDQM decides to definitively close the application as a result of insufficient information being received (after such information has been requested in writing and a deficiency letter has been sent in the event that the Purchaser fails to provide the information in a timely fashion).

Failure to settle the invoice by the due date will result in the Certification Procedure being suspended or stopped, and this process will similarly affect the assessment of other ongoing or future applications, until payment is received.

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: EDQM EVENTS (CONFERENCES, TRAINING COURSES AND WEBINARS)

For EDQM events the terms Purchaser and Registrant are interchangeable.

Prices

– Registration Fees

Fees vary for each event and the category of the registrant. The registration fees (in EUR) for each event are published on the [EDQM Website](#).

Invoicing & Payment

Payment must be received by the EDQM before the date of the event or the due date on the invoice, whichever is earliest. To benefit from the rates stated, payment must be received in accordance with the payment terms mentioned on the invoice.

– Late Payment

Failure of the Purchaser/Registrant to comply with the payment terms will mean they are automatically deemed in default of payment and the Registrant may be refused entry to the event.

Purchase Orders

– Cancellations and "No shows"

If the Purchaser/Registrant needs to amend or cancel his/her registration, the EDQM shall be informed immediately in writing by e-mail (events@edqm.eu) or via the [EDQM HelpDesk](#). Cancellations are not deemed as receivable by the EDQM until the Purchaser/Registrant has received written confirmation. Refunds will be made as follows:

- Purchasers/Registrants cancelling more than 10 working days before the event shall be refunded 80% of the registration fees.

- Purchasers/Registrants cancelling less than 10 working days before the event will not be eligible for a refund.

Registration fees outstanding at the time of cancellation are due. If the enrolled Purchaser /Registrant attends the event but the registration fee is still outstanding, the Purchaser /Registrant shall still be liable to pay the due fee during the event.

“No-shows”:

- If the invoice has been paid, any registration fees paid will be retained by the EDQM.
- If the invoice has not yet been paid, it will be treated as an outstanding debt.

– Substitutions

Substitutions may be made at any time. Substitutions must be received in writing by e-mail (events@edqm.eu) or via the [EDQM HelpDesk](#). The enrolled Purchaser/Registrant must give the details of the substitute person to the EDQM at the earliest opportunity. The EDQM will provide the new Registrant with written confirmation that he/she has been registered for the event.

The registrations are individual. Sharing of the registration between persons is not permitted.

Responsibility & Liability

– Event

The EDQM guarantees that all necessary measures have been taken to ensure that the event corresponds to the description given in the event’s marketing material and/or on the EDQM Website.

– Changes

Only the EDQM has the right to choose the services, service providers and premises to be used to deliver the event.

○ Programme Changes

The EDQM reserves the right to make necessary changes at short notice, arising from, but not limited to, no-shows or cancellations by speakers, panel members, moderators, workshop presenters or any other person or organisation mentioned in the event information. The EDQM will not refund registration fees as a result of changes to the programme.

○ Venue & Time Changes

It may be necessary for reasons beyond the control of the EDQM to alter the venue (hotel/premises within the same city) or time of the event. The EDQM endeavours to keep the registrant abreast of such changes in due time. If the event is postponed, the EDQM will endeavour to reschedule it and will allow the participant to leave the fee paid as payment towards another event that takes place in the 12 months following the originally booked event or receive a full refund of the registration fee. In the unlikely circumstance of event cancellation, for whatever reason, neither the EDQM, nor the Council of Europe, accepts responsibility for any consequential losses (e.g. travel and accommodation costs) incurred by Registrants.

– Limitation of Liability

The EDQM cannot be held liable for any damages of any kind arising from the interpretation or use of the information provided in relation to the event.

The EDQM shall not be held liable for any loss resulting from late arrivals to, or non-attendance at, the event due to delayed or suspended transportation.

The EDQM shall not be held liable for damages or other complications as a result of the Registrant’s visa issues. The EDQM shall not be held liable for any loss as a result of the Registrant failing to arrange his/her own insurance.

Electronic Communications and Data

All personal data submitted within the context of registering for an event is kept in the EDQM’s Online Events Registration System and is held in confidence. Processing of Registrants’ personal data is needed for efficient

event organisation and management and for follow-up activities such as surveys. If necessary, photographs and video/audio recordings may be taken and used to create awareness and publicise the event.

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS: USE OF EDQM STORE AND OF THE ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM TO EDQM EVENTS

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