

# Terms and Conditions – Import Documentary Collection

St. George – A Division of Westpac Banking Corporation (the “**Bank**”) may from time to time act as a collecting/presenting bank in respect of a Bill of Exchange (the “**Bill**”) and/or documents for acceptance or payment by the Customer. The Bank will release documents upon acceptance or payment by the Customer as per the remitting bank’s instructions.

## 1. ICC rules

The Import Documentary Collection (the “**Collection**”) will be subject to the International Chamber of Commerce Uniform Rules for Collections current at the time of issuance.

## 2. Customer’s obligations for sight collections

If, prior to payment in full by the Customer of its obligations under the Collection, the Bank, acting on instructions, releases the Documents to the Customer, the Customer shall be deemed to have unconditionally accepted the Goods notwithstanding any defect in the Goods or that the Goods do not comply with the transport Documents or any underlying commercial contract.

The Customer must comply with any additional terms and conditions applicable to any Collection sent to the Customer by the Bank and outlined in the relevant correspondence attached to the Collection.

## 3. Customer’s liability in respect of the collection

The Customer authorises the Bank, without prior notice, to debit at any time from any account held by the Customer with the Bank:

- (a) all amounts paid by the Bank under the Collection on the day on which the Bank makes or is required to make that payment; and
- (b) all commissions, fees, charges, interest on overdue payments and expenses (incurred or to be incurred) under or in connection with the Collection, as and when incurred.

## 4. Sanctions/Anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing obligations

Please be advised that in order for the Bank to meet its regulatory and compliance obligations relating to anti-money laundering, counter financing of terrorism and economic and trade sanctions, we will be increasing the levels of control and monitoring we perform.

You should be aware that:

- transactions may be delayed, blocked or refused where we have reasonable grounds to believe that they breach Australian or international law or sanctions, or where we need to obtain further information to assist our compliance process;
- where transactions are delayed, blocked, frozen or refused, the Bank and its correspondents are not liable for any loss you suffer (including consequential loss);
- you must not initiate or conduct a transaction that may be in breach of Australian or international law or sanctions.

You should also be aware that:

- we may from time to time require additional information from you to assist us in our compliance process;
- where legally obliged to do so, we will disclose the information gathered to regulatory and/or law enforcement agencies, other banks, other members of the Westpac Group, service providers or to other third parties.

You provide the Bank with the following undertakings and indemnify the Bank against any losses arising from any breach by you of such undertakings:

1. you will not initiate, engage in or effect a transaction that may be in breach of Australian law or sanctions (or the law or sanctions of any other country); and
2. any activity underlying any transaction does not breach any Australian law or sanctions (or the law or sanctions of any other country).

## 5. Tax reporting obligations

We are required under domestic and international laws to collect and report financial and account information relating to individuals and organisations who are, or may be, foreign tax residents. We may ask you whether you or any shareholder, beneficiary, settlor or controlling person are a foreign tax resident from time to time, such as when you open an account with us, or if your circumstances change. If you do not provide this information to us, including information about the foreign tax identification number for all countries you or any shareholder, beneficiary, settlor or controlling person are a foreign tax resident of, we may be required to limit the services we provide to you. This could include not opening your Product, or limiting functions or services of your Product, or closing it.

Unless you tell us otherwise, by completing any application for products covered by these terms and conditions, you certify that you, any shareholder, named beneficiary, settlor or controlling person is not a foreign tax resident. You must tell us if you, or any shareholder, named beneficiary, settlor or controlling person is, or becomes, a foreign tax resident (unless an exemption applies, such as for shareholders of listed companies). Where there are no named beneficiaries (e.g. for beneficiaries identified only as a class) you must tell us if a beneficiary is a foreign tax resident immediately when any decision is made to identify such beneficiary and, in any case, before such distribution is to be made to them. You may contact us to provide foreign tax residence information by calling 1300 725 863. We cannot give tax advice, so please contact your independent tax advisor if you need help finding out whether any person is a foreign tax resident.

## 6. Privacy obligations

To the extent that it applies to the Customer, the Customer must comply with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) in relation to any personal information you provide to us in connection with these Terms and Conditions, and if you engage in activities in a jurisdiction other than Australia, you must comply also with the applicable privacy laws in that jurisdiction.

## 7. External service providers

The Bank may subcontract any of its rights and obligations to another person in Australia or overseas.

We may disclose or share any information you provide to us with any such person. With respect to any personal information, details of the countries where the overseas recipients are likely to be located is contained in our Privacy Statement which is available at [stgeorge.com.au/privacy/privacy-statement](https://stgeorge.com.au/privacy/privacy-statement) (as updated from time to time).

## Accessibility support

At any time, you can inform us how you would prefer to be contacted. If you are deaf and/or find it hard hearing or speaking with people who use a phone, you can reach us through the National Relay Service (NRS). To use the NRS you can register by visiting [accesshub.gov.au/about-the-nrs](https://accesshub.gov.au/about-the-nrs)

Visit [stgeorge.com.au/accessibility](https://stgeorge.com.au/accessibility) for further information on our accessible products and services for people with disability.

*St.George acknowledges the traditional owners as the custodians of this land, recognising their connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to Australia's First Peoples, and to their Elders, past and present.*