

## **Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy**

MJF Group maintains relationships with many different organisations in its supply chain, as well as directly employing large numbers of people. Considering the general law on employment and human rights, and, more specifically, the Modern Slavery Act 2015, we have reviewed our existing compliance and risk management processes to determine to what extent measures already exist, and what further measures may be required to prevent slavery and human trafficking taking place in any part of our business operations or in our supply chains. MJF Group has adopted a statement of Corporate Value on the prevention of modern slavery and human trafficking.

This value statement frames all our business dealings and the conduct of all persons or organisations with whom we contract directly or who we appoint to act on our behalf.

We expect all who have, or seek, a business relationship with MJF Group to familiarise themselves with our anti-slavery values and to act always in a way which is consistent with our anti-slavery value.

### **MJF Group Ltd Anti-Slavery Value**

As part of our culture of good governance in business, MJF Group operates to a set of core values which reflect our relationships with our principal stakeholder groups: customers, manufacturers, shareholders, suppliers and team members. This is identified in our CSR Framework Policy.

We apply a robust behavioral set of values for all our business relationships, reflecting our commitment against the exploitation of individuals in any form, and more particularly the offences under the Modern Slavery Act 2015. We are committed to opposing modern slavery in all its forms and preventing it by whatever means we can. We demand the same attitude of all who work for us and expect it of all those we have business dealings with.

Our attitude to modern slavery is: zero tolerance.

### **Purpose of this policy**

Modern slavery is a criminal offence under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the “Act”). Modern slavery can occur in various forms, including servitude, forced or compulsory labour and human trafficking, all of which have a commonality in the deprivation of a person’s liberty by another to exploit them for personal or commercial gain.

This document sets out the policy of MJF Group (the “Company”) with the aim of the prevention of opportunities for modern slavery to occur within its businesses or supply chain. This policy’s use of the term “modern slavery” has the meaning given in the Act. We have a zero-tolerance approach to modern slavery. We are committed to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business dealings and relationships and to implementing and enforcing effective systems and controls to ensure modern slavery is not taking place anywhere in our own businesses or those of our suppliers.

### **Steps for the Prevention of Modern Slavery**

We are committed to ensuring there is transparency in our own business and in our approach to tackling modern slavery throughout our supply chains, consistent with our disclosure obligations under the Modern Slavery Act 2015. We expect the same high standards from all our contractors, suppliers and other business partners, and we are evolving and updating our contracting processes to include specific prohibitions against the use of forced, compulsory or trafficked labour, or anyone held in slavery or servitude, whether adults or children. We expect our suppliers to hold their own suppliers to the same high standards. All Staff have an obligation to familiarise themselves with our procedures to help in the identification and prevention of modern slavery and to conduct business in a manner such that the opportunity for and incidence of modern slavery is prevented. Adherence to this policy forms part of all staff obligations under their contract of employment.

Whilst recognising our statutory obligation to set out the steps we have taken to ensure that modern slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in our supply chains, we acknowledge that we do not control the conduct of individuals and organisations in our supply chains. To underpin our compliance with practical steps, we intend to implement the following measure:

- engage with our suppliers both to convey to them our Anti-Slavery Policy and to gain an understanding of the measures taken by them to ensure modern slavery is not occurring in their businesses;
- where appropriate, seek to introduce supplier pre-screening (for example as part of our tender process) and self-reporting for our suppliers on safeguarding controls;
- introduce contractual provisions for our suppliers to confirm their adherence to this policy and accept our right to audit their activities and (where practicable) relationships, both routinely and at times of reasonable suspicion.

### **Responsibility for the policy**

Ultimate responsibility for the prevention and prevention of modern slavery rests with the Company's leadership. The Board of Directors of the Company has overall responsibility for ensuring the implementation of this policy complies with our legal and ethical obligations.

### **Actions to report modern slavery or human trafficking**

The Company's Whistleblowing Policy is intended to provide guidance on how concerns can be communicated to the Company. Concerns about suspected modern slavery associated with the Company or our suppliers may be reported by employees in this manner.

In summary, staff should approach either their Director, or equivalent senior leader. If the matter is extremely serious then the Managing Director of the Company should be approached. The nature of the complaint will determine the Company's next course of action.

Any person wishing to raise a concern is encouraged to do so in any of the following circumstances:

- You suspect a person acting on behalf of MJF Group Ltd or one of our businesses is seeking to exploit another in a way which could amount to modern slavery;
- You suspect that a person acting on behalf of one of our suppliers is seeking to exploit another in a way which could amount to modern slavery;
- You have received an approach from a person acting on behalf of MJF Group Ltd or one of our businesses who has invited you to participate in acts which could result in offences under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 being committed;
- You have information which leads to the rational conclusion that a person acting on behalf of MJF Group Ltd or one of our businesses or suppliers is preparing to commit, is committing or has committed an act in contravention of the Modern Slavery Act 2015.

### **Safeguards**

We aim to encourage openness and will support anyone who raises genuine concerns in good faith under this policy, even if they turn out to be mistaken. We are committed to ensuring no one suffers any detrimental treatment because of reporting in good faith their suspicion that modern slavery of whatever form is or may be taking place in any part of our own business or in any of our supply chains. Detrimental treatment includes dismissal, disciplinary action, threats or other unfavourable treatment connected with raising a concern.

The Company will accept and take seriously concerns communicated anonymously.

However, retention of anonymity does render investigations and validation more difficult and can make the process less effective. Individuals are therefore encouraged to put their names to allegations.

Any claims or allegations made which are found to be malicious or vexatious will result in disciplinary action being taken against the individual.

### **Communication and awareness of this policy**

Our zero-tolerance approach to modern slavery must be communicated to all suppliers, contractors and business partners at the outset of our business relationship with them and reinforced as appropriate thereafter.

### **Review**

Following its initial adoption, this Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy will be reviewed by the Company's Board of Directors on a regular basis and may be amended from time to time.

Signed...



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Managing Director  
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