

## **Terms & Conditions**

The Customer's use of the Service (as defined below) and/or acceptance of these Terms and Conditions ('Conditions') constitute the Customer's agreement to be bound by these Conditions. These Conditions must be read in conjunction with those of *AML "Midlands" Ltd* which may be subject to change from time to time. It is the Customer's responsibility to ensure that they comply with the latest edition of the Acceptable Usage Policy (AUP) in force at any given time.

These Conditions, together with those of *AML "Midlands" Ltd* AUP, explain the responsibilities of *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to the Customer and the Customer's responsibilities to *AML "Midlands" Ltd* and to other users of the Service ('Users'). The AUP in particular outlines what *AML "Midlands" Ltd* considers to be unacceptable use of the Internet by our customers so that *AML "Midlands" Ltd* can take appropriate steps against abusers of the Internet. The AUP and the Application Form are an integral part of these Conditions and, unless otherwise expressly stated, all references to Conditions include reference to the AUP and to the Application Form. If you are a Consumer, you must be 18 years or older to register for the Service.

Terms and conditions for *AML "Midlands" Ltd* ADSL Services:

### **1. Definitions**

Please note some terms used in these Conditions have a certain meaning:

'Access Line' means the telecommunications circuit that the Customer uses to obtain telecommunications services over the public switched telephone network at the Premises as notified by the Customer to Cole Robert and Co Limited;

'Act' means the Telecommunications Act 1984; 'Agreement' means these Conditions together with the applicable Application Form and AUP;

'Application Form' means the form that the Customer signs to apply for the Service;

'Carrier' means any supplier of telecommunications services to *AML "Midlands" Ltd* for the Service;

'Commencement Date' means the date when the Customer first receives the live Service.

'Confidential Information' means any information of a confidential nature obtained under or in connection with this Agreement including, but not limited to, any information regarding the existence of errors or viruses found in the Service and all other information which *AML "Midlands" Ltd* characterises as confidential at the time of its disclosure either in writing or orally.

Confidential Information does not include information which the Customer can demonstrate:

- (a) is previously rightfully known to the Customer without restriction at the time of disclosure;
- (b) is or becomes, from no act or omission on the Customers part, generally known in the relevant industry or public domain;
- (c) is disclosed to the Customer by a third party as a matter of right and without restriction at the time of disclosure; or
- (d) is independently developed by the Customer without access to the Confidential Information.

'Customer' means the person who orders the Service and person shall be taken to include bodies corporate or unincorporate. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* may accept instructions from another person who *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reasonably believes is acting with the Customer's authority or knowledge.

'Customer Apparatus' means apparatus belonging to the Customer not forming part of the Equipment but which may be connected to the Equipment; 'Equipment' means any apparatus or equipment provided by *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or any third party to the Customer at the Premises to enable provision of the Service;

'Minimum Period of Service'

(a) For customers ordering *AML "Midlands" Ltd* - The minimum period of service is thirty (30) days.

(b) For customers ordering *AML "Midlands" Ltd* ADSL Standard services - The minimum period of service will be one (1) month from the commencement date.

'Physical Characteristics'

(a) For customers wishing *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to manage the connection only - Means an existing standard British Telecommunications analogue telephone line which does not have any incompatible services enabled upon it, as detailed in the Service description.

(b) For customers wishing *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to manage the connection, installation and equipment: · For Home customers - An existing standard British Telecommunications analogue telephone line which does not have any incompatible services enabled upon it, as detailed in the Service description. · For Business customers - means one (1) wall mounted power socket within two (2) metres of the master phone socket and an existing standard British Telecommunications analogue telephone line which does not have any incompatible services enabled upon it, as detailed in the Service description;

'*AML "Midlands" Ltd* System' means the telecommunication system which *AML "Midlands" Ltd* runs and, for the purpose of this Agreement, any apparatus leased by, or otherwise obtained by, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* from a third party.

'Premises' means the Customer's premises where the Service is to be received. 'Service' means the installation, connection and supply of a telecommunications circuit capable of supporting ADSL services at the Premises and the provision of telecommunication services over such circuit as detailed in our website.

'Standard Tests' means the tests carried out by *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or any third party to determine whether the Service is ready; 'Term' is defined in clause 3.

## **2. Provision of the Service**

2.1 The Service is described on the web site of *AML "Midlands" Ltd*.

2.2 The provisions of the Application Form are binding on *AML "Midlands" Ltd*, once *AML "Midlands" Ltd* confirms to the Customer in writing acceptance of the Customer's order. The Customer agrees to receive the Service and pay the fees for the Service as specified in this Agreement.

2.3 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will provide the Service to the Customer in accordance with the Conditions of this Agreement and with reasonable skill and care. It is technically impracticable to provide the Service or the telecommunications services free of faults and *AML "Midlands" Ltd* does not undertake to do so.

2.4 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will use its reasonable endeavours to provide a prompt and continuing Service but will not be liable for any loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, missed deliveries, or service interruptions caused by events beyond the control of Cole Robert and Co Limited, or by errors or omissions of the Customer.

2.5 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* exclude all and any warranties and conditions of any kind, whether express or implied, in respect of the Service and any content or data obtained or downloaded from it or the accuracy of information received through it.

2.6 To use the Service, the Customer needs to supply AML "Midlands" Ltd with certain details on the Customer's Application Form. AML "Midlands" Ltd will respect the privacy of this information and will comply with applicable data protection legislation in respect of it.

2.7 The Customer must have an Access Line with the Physical Characteristics in order to receive the Service. If the Customer changes from the Physical Characteristics, AML "Midlands" Ltd cannot be held responsible if the Customer is no longer able to receive the Service.

2.8 The Customer acknowledges that the Service will depend upon the characteristics of the Customer's Access Line and that where the Carrier so determines it may not be possible to supply the Service. In this event AML "Midlands" Ltd shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability to the Customer.

2.9 From time to time certain Points of Presence (PoPs), servers, or the whole or part of the Network may be closed down for routine repair or maintenance work. AML "Midlands" Ltd or its authorised representative shall give as much notice as in the circumstances is reasonable and AML "Midlands" Ltd shall endeavour to carry out such works during the scheduled maintenance periods as published from time to time.

2.10 AML "Midlands" Ltd may occasionally have to interrupt the Service or change the technical specification of the Service for operational reasons or because of an emergency. AML "Midlands" Ltd will give the Customer as much notice as possible of any planned interruption of the Customer's Service. In these circumstances The Customer shall have no claim against AML "Midlands" Ltd for any such interruption.

2.11 AML "Midlands" Ltd will correct reported faults as soon as possible. Should the Customer encounter a fault with the Service the Customer should report the fault to the AML "Midlands" Ltd ADSL helpdesk.

2.12 AML "Midlands" Ltd may include links from time to time from the Service to other Internet sites. AML "Midlands" Ltd have no control over the content of such sites and disclaims any liability in respect of the Customer's use of such sites. The Customer may wish to use one of the available filtering software products to help prevent access to certain web content.

2.13 The Customer acknowledges that the Service shall be provided by AML "Midlands" Ltd at the Premises and that under these Conditions the Customer cannot require AML "Midlands" Ltd to transfer the Service or Equipment to another location. In the event the Customer requests the Equipment to be moved to another location within the Premises, AML "Midlands" Ltd reserve the right to accept or reject such request and the decision of AML "Midlands" Ltd shall be final. Any expense incurred in such move of the Equipment within the Premises shall be incurred by the Customer.

2.14 Except as otherwise expressly permitted in these Conditions, and in addition to other restrictions herein, the Customer may not:

- 2.14.1 redistribute, encumber, sell rent, lease, sub-license, copy or use the Service or otherwise transfer rights to the use of the Service to any third party, whether in whole or in part;
- 2.14.2 disclose Service features, errors or viruses to any third party without the prior written consent of AML "Midlands" Ltd;
- 2.14.3 use the Service except in conjunction with AML "Midlands" Ltd recommended operating environment, notified by AML "Midlands" Ltd; or
- 2.14.4 modify the Service without AML "Midlands" Ltd prior written consent.

2.15 AML "Midlands" Ltd reserves the right to remove e-mail from AML "Midlands" Ltd servers that is left for a period of more than four months.

2.16 AML "Midlands" Ltd reserves the right to change the Customer's password at any time at its sole discretion.

### 3. Term

3.1 This Agreement will commence on the Commencement Date and shall continue for a term equivalent to the subscription period paid by the Customer until the expiry of that subscription period or the Agreement is terminated in accordance with the terms hereof ('the Term') subject to the provisions of paragraph 13.1

3.2 The Minimum Period of Service does not prevent *AML "Midlands" Ltd* from suspending or terminating the Service under paragraphs 12 and 13 of this Agreement.

### 4. Fees

4.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall provide the Customer with the Service for the fees as set out on the Application Form. These fees are payable in advance from the start of the Minimum Period of Service. Payment will be due on the date specified on the invoice. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* accept major credit cards, cheques or direct debit payments. Save where the Service is terminated by *AML "Midlands" Ltd* without cause, the Customer shall not be entitled to a refund of subscriptions paid.

4.2 Subject to our discretion we will invoice you with credit terms of 30 days net, on an Annual basis only. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* may charge interest on all outstanding amounts on a daily basis at the rate of 5% per annum above the base lending rate of HSBC Bank plc in force from time to time, from the date of the invoice until the date of actual payment or judgement has been enforced. Additionally, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reserves the right to terminate the provision of service to the Customer immediately if the Customer is in default of payment. Such termination is without prejudice to the rights of either party accrued prior to the date of termination.

4.3 The installation fee as specified on the Application Form is payable in advance by either cheque, credit card or on the first invoice.

4.4 All fees are subject to change from time to time in the event that the Carrier increases its fees to *AML "Midlands" Ltd*. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will contact you in the event of any such increases.

4.5 In addition to the fee set out on the Application Form, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall be entitled to charge the Customer for the reasons given.

- Internal Relocation - If a customer wants to relocate the main phone socket from one room/floor to another within the same building.
- (b) Abortive Visit Charge - Abortive visits include attendance to incorrect address provided by the customer, site does not meet requirements specified by BT or End User is not available.
- (c) Administration Charges - Where the Customer provide illegible, materially incomplete or incorrect order details.
- (d) Reworking Charge - If the Customer consents to a Carrier engineer making good any existing non-Carrier installed wiring to make it fit for installation of the Service.
- (e) Order Cancellation - If the customer requests the cancellation of the *AML "Midlands" Ltd* ADSL service five (5) or less days prior to the arranged installation date. For the latest pricing information on the above please contact the Cole Robert and Co Limited's sales department.

## 5. Access

5.1 The Customer hereby irrevocably gives permission to *AML "Midlands" Ltd* and its employees, agents or contractors to:

- 5.1.1 execute any works on the Premises for, or in connection with, the installation, maintenance, adjustment repair, alteration, moving, replacement, renewal or removal of the Equipment;
- 5.1.2 keep and operate the Equipment installed on, under or over the Premises;
- 5.1.3 enter the Premises to inspect any telecommunication apparatus kept on, under or over the Premises or elsewhere for the purposes of the *AML "Midlands" Ltd* System. The permission set out above shall continue in force after cancellation or termination of this Agreement until such time as *AML "Midlands" Ltd* have removed all Equipment from the Premises.

5.2 The Customer must allow *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or any Carrier to have access to the Premises at all reasonable hours for the purpose of testing or maintaining any of the Equipment and/or the Service and provide a safe and suitable environment for such access visits.

## 6. Installation

6.1 When *AML "Midlands" Ltd* manages the connection only:

- 6.1.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will only arrange for the ADSL service to be provided on the customer's telephone line. It is the customer's responsibility to connect the necessary micro-filter and ADSL equipment.

6.2 When *AML "Midlands" Ltd* manage the connection, installation and equipment:

6.2.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall attempt to provide and install or procure the provision and installation of the Equipment at the Premises so that the Service can be provided on or before any installation date specified or agreed to by *AML "Midlands" Ltd*. Any installation date given is an estimate only and shall not be liable for any failure to meet such installation date.

6.2.2 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall supply the Customer with the relevant information to enable the Customer to suitably prepare the Premises for delivery and installation of the Equipment. The Customer shall at the Customer's expense provide suitable accommodation, facilities and environmental conditions for the Equipment and all necessary electrical and other installations and fittings.

6.2.3 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall use its reasonable endeavours to comply with the Customer's reasonable requests in respect of installation but *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or its contractors' or agents' decision on the routing of cables and wires and the positioning of outlets and other apparatus constituting the Equipment or part thereof shall be final and binding.

6.2.4 A secure electricity supply is required at the Premises for the installation, operation and maintenance of the Equipment at such points and with such connections as specified by *AML "Midlands" Ltd*. Unless otherwise agreed, this power supply is to be provided by the Customer. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall not be responsible for interruption or failure of the Services caused by a failure of such power supply.

6.2.5 The Customer acknowledge that during the installation of the Equipment for the provision of the Service the Customer's Access Line may suffer a temporary loss of service which shall be reinstated following installation and/or interference to any other Customer Apparatus or services used in connection with the Access Line (e.g. Access Line security systems) without any liability to Cole Robert and Co Limited.

## **7. AML “Midlands” Ltd Equipment**

This section applies to customers requiring AML “Midlands” Ltd to manage the connection, installation and equipment. Customers wishing AML “Midlands” Ltd to manage the connection only can ignore this section as they must procure, install and manage their own equipment.

7.1 The Customer agrees not to do or allow anything to be done to the Premises that may cause damage to, or interfere with, the Equipment or prevent easy access to it.

7.2 The Customer shall procure at the Customer's own expense all permissions, licences, registrations and approvals necessary for AML “Midlands” Ltd to deliver, install and maintain the Equipment for the provision of the Services.

7.3 Following the installation of the Equipment Standard Tests shall be carried out by AML “Midlands” Ltd to ensure that the Service is ready for use. If the Service is not ready for use, AML “Midlands” Ltd shall either repair or replace, at its sole option, the Equipment or any part thereof and repeat the Standard Tests. The Customer shall be entitled to use the Services following AML “Midlands” Ltd informing the Customer of successful completion of the Standard Tests.

7.4 The Equipment shall remain the property of AML “Midlands” Ltd or the supplier of such equipment (including any Carrier) and the Customer shall at all times make clear to third parties that the same is the property of AML “Midlands” Ltd or a third party supplier of such equipment. AML “Midlands” Ltd may modify, substitute, renew or add to the Equipment from time to time at its absolute discretion.

7.5 The Customer shall be responsible for ensuring at all times the safekeeping and proper use of the Equipment after delivery and installation at the Premises. The Customer shall be liable to AML “Midlands” Ltd for any loss or damage to the Equipment (except where it can be shown that such loss or damage was caused by our negligence or due to fair wear and tear). The Customer will notify AML “Midlands” Ltd immediately of any such loss or damage in particular (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) the Customer undertakes:

7.5.1 to keep the Equipment at the Premises and not to move it;

7.5.2 to comply with all instructions as AML “Midlands” Ltd may notify to the Customer and/or with the manufacturer's instructions and not to use the Equipment except in accordance with such written instructions and in accordance with the law and any applicable licence granted there under;

7.5.3 not to cause the Equipment to be repaired or otherwise maintained except by an authorised representative of Cole Robert and Co Limited;

7.5.4 not to cause any attachments other than those approved for connection under the Act to be fitted to the Equipment except in accordance with such written authorisation as may be notified by AML “Midlands” Ltd to the Customer from time to time;

7.5.5 not to do anything nor to allow to subsist any circumstances likely to damage the Equipment or detract from or impair its performance or operation and not to add, modify, or in any way interfere with or impair the performance of the Equipment; and

7.5.6 not to attempt to sell, transfer, dispose of, let, mortgage, charge, modify, extend, repair, service, tamper with, remove or interfere with the Equipment or suffer any distress, seizure or execution to be levied against or of the Equipment or otherwise do anything prejudicial to AML “Midlands” Ltd or the owner of such Equipment's rights in the Equipment; and

7.5.7 not to remove, tamper with or obliterate any identification mark(s) affixed to the Equipment or to any part thereof showing that it is the property of AML "Midlands" Ltd or other third party supplier of such equipment.

7.5.8 to permit AML "Midlands" Ltd and its employees, agents or contractors to inspect or test the Equipment at all reasonable times;

7.6 The Customer shall be liable for any loss or damage howsoever caused (including but not limited to lightning or electrical damage) to any part of the Equipment or any of its own property within the Premises (except in so far as it can be shown that such loss or damage is attributable to the negligent act or omission of AML "Midlands" Ltd). The Customer will notify AML "Midlands" Ltd immediately of any such loss or damage.

7.6.1 The Customer undertake to indemnify AML "Midlands" Ltd against any and all such loss or damage referred to in this clause 7.6.

7.6.2 Wilful destruction or abuse of the Equipment may result in additional charges being payable by the Customer to Cole Robert and Co Limited.

## 8. Customer Apparatus

8.1 The Customer shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of any Customer Apparatus used in order to obtain or use the Service.

8.2 The Customer shall ensure that such Customer Apparatus complies with any applicable law. The Customer shall immediately disconnect any such apparatus if such apparatus does not, or ceases to, conform to applicable standards (if any) for the time being in force. AML "Midlands" Ltd reserves the right to disconnect any apparatus used by the Customer if the Customer does not fulfil their obligations under this Clause or if, in the opinion of Cole Robert and Co Limited, such apparatus may cause the death of or personal injury to any person, or damage to property, or materially impair the quality of any telecommunication service provided by means of AML "Midlands" Ltd, and the Customer agrees to disconnect such apparatus at the request of AML "Midlands" Ltd.

## 9. The Customer's Use of The Service

9.1 The Customer must NOT use the Service:

- 9.1.1 in a way that does not comply with the Conditions or any legislation or that is in any way unlawful or fraudulent; or
- 9.1.2 in connection with the carrying out of a fraud or criminal offence against any telecommunications operator; or
- 9.1.3 to send, encourage the receipt of, upload, download, use or re-use any material which is abusive, indecent, defamatory, obscene or menacing, or in breach of copyright, confidence, privacy or any other rights or which may contain viruses or other similar programs, or which cause overloads to the AML "Midlands" Ltd System; or
- 9.1.4 to send or procure the sending of unsolicited advertising or promotional material; or
- 9.1.5 in a way that does not comply with any instructions given by AML "Midlands" Ltd for reasons of health, safety or the quality of the Carrier's telecommunications services or the AML "Midlands" Ltd System; or
- 9.1.6 attempt to use the Service in a way that modifies, decompiles, translates, reverse engineers, reconfigures, disassembles or otherwise alter or attempt to modify or reconfigure the Service or any Equipment or software or copy any manual or documentation relating to the Service except to the extent applicable law specifically prohibits such restrictions;.
- 9.1.7 distribute copies of the licensed programs or their documentation to others;
- 9.1.8 rent, lease or grant its rights to the licensed programs;

- 9.1.9 ship or transmit (directly or indirectly) any copies of the licensed programs or any technical data in the licensed programs or its media or any direct product thereof to any entity or country destination

9.2 The Customer will co-operate with *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reasonable requests for information regarding the Customer's use of the Service and supply such information without delay.

9.3 Where the Customer uses the Service to reach networks and services not operated by *AML "Midlands" Ltd*, the Customer will abide by the acceptable use policies or terms and conditions imposed by the operators of those networks and services.

9.4 The Customer warrants that:

- 9.4.1 it, as the registered user of the account, will keep the username and password secure and not let them become public knowledge and that the password will not be stored anywhere on a computer in plain text.
- 9.4.2 if the password becomes known to any other unauthorised user it will inform *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or its authorised representative immediately;
- 9.4.3 any breach of these obligations shall entitle *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to immediately terminate the Service to the Customer without notice.

9.5 Use by others: The Customer acknowledges that *AML "Midlands" Ltd* is unable to exercise control over the content of information passing over the *AML "Midlands" Ltd* network or via the Service, and *AML "Midlands" Ltd* hereby excludes all liability of any kind for the transmission or reception of infringing information of whatever nature.

## 10. Domain Names & Internet Protocol Addresses

10.1 The Customer confirms and warrants that it is the owner of, or that the Customer has been and is duly authorised by the owner to use, any trade mark or name requested or allocated as its domain name.

10.2 The Customer acknowledges that *AML "Midlands" Ltd* cannot guarantee that any domain name the Customer requests will be available or approved for use.

10.3 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* has the right to require the Customer to select a replacement domain name and may suspend the relevant service associated with the domain name if, in the opinion of Cole Robert and Co Limited, there are reasonable grounds for *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to believe Customer's current choice of domain name is, or is likely to be, in breach of the provisions of this Agreement and law.

10.4 If the Service includes the registration of an Internet domain name the Customer acknowledges and agrees that:

- 10.4.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* does not represent, warrant or guarantee that any domain name applied for by the Customer or on its behalf will be registered in its requested name or is capable of being registered by it or that the use of such domain name by it will not infringe any third party rights. Accordingly, the Customer should take no action in respect of its requested domain name(s) until it has been notified that its requested domain name has been duly registered and *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will not be liable for any such action taken by the Customer.
- 10.4.2 The registration of the domain name and its ongoing use by the Customer is subject to the relevant naming authority's terms and conditions of use and the Customer undertakes to *AML "Midlands" Ltd* that it will comply with such terms and conditions. The Customer hereby irrevocably waives any claims it may have against *AML "Midlands" Ltd* in respect of any decision of a naming authority to refuse to register a domain name and, without limitation, the Customer acknowledges and agrees that any administration or other charge paid by the Customer in respect of the registration of the domain name is non-refundable in any event.

- 10.4.3 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* accepts no responsibility in respect of the use of a domain name by the Customer and any dispute between the Customer and any other individual or organisation regarding a domain name must be resolved between the parties concerned and *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will take no part in any such dispute. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reserves the right on becoming aware of such a dispute concerning a domain name at its sole discretion and without giving any reason, to either suspend or cancel the relevant service associated with the domain name and/or to make such representations to the relevant naming authority as it deems appropriate.

10.5 Any Internet Protocol address allocated by *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to the Customer shall at all times remain the sole property of *AML "Midlands" Ltd* and the Customer will have a non-transferable licence to use such address for the duration of this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated for whatever reason, the Customer's licence to use the Internet Protocol address shall automatically terminate and thereafter it will not use such address.

## 11. Software Agreement

11.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* and its suppliers own the licensed programs and the documentation provided with this Agreement, both of which are protected by copyright laws. The Customer's right to use the licensed programs and documentation is limited to the terms and conditions described below:

11.2 The Customer may:

- 11.2.1 use the enclosed licensed programs on the number of users specified in the Service to which the Customer subscribes;
- 11.2.2 physically transfer the licensed programs from one computer to another provided that the licensed programs are used on no more than the number of users specified and that the Customer removes any copies of the licensed programs from the computer from which the licensed programs are being transferred;
- 11.2.3 make copies of the licensed programs solely for the purposes of backup. The copyright notice must be reproduced and included on a label on any backup copy.

## 12. Breach of Conditions

12.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall investigate any suspected or alleged breach of these Conditions or any suspected compromise to its network systems or security and in doing so *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will act reasonably and fairly at all times.

12.2 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reserve the right to take any action *AML "Midlands" Ltd* deem appropriate and proportionate to the breach of the Conditions.

12.3 If *AML "Midlands" Ltd* decide that the Customer has breached the Conditions, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Customer is made aware of the breach without suspension or termination of the Service. However it may be necessary, due to the severity of the breach, to suspend or end the Service whilst details of the breach are investigated further. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reserve the right to suspend or end the Customer's Account at its sole discretion without refund, and make an additional charge for all reasonable costs incurred due to investigating and dealing with the misuse and/or blocking access to any component(s) of the Service.

12.4 The Customer must notify *AML "Midlands" Ltd* immediately in writing of any allegation of infringement of any intellectual property rights prompted by its use of the Service. The Customer may not make an admission relating to an alleged infringement. The Customer must allow Cole Robert and Co Limited, or at *AML "Midlands" Ltd*'s election, the Carrier to conduct all negotiations and proceedings and give *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or the Carrier all reasonable assistance in doing so. The Customer must allow any part of the Service to be modified so as to avoid continuation of the alleged infringement.

### 13. Term and Termination

13.1 The Customer may end this Agreement after the Minimum Period of Service by giving *AML "Midlands" Ltd* not less than thirty (30) days written notice expiring no earlier than the end of the Minimum Period of Service. If a Customer wishes to end this Agreement before the end of the Minimum Period of Service, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall be entitled to charge the Customer fees which would have been payable by the Customer for the balance of the Minimum Period of Service.

13.2 In addition, if a Customer using *AML "Midlands" Ltd* ADSL wishes to end this Agreement before twelve (12) months have elapsed since the Commencement Date, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* shall be entitled to charge a termination fee. For details of the current termination fee please contact the *AML "Midlands" Ltd* Sales department.

13.3 The Customer may do so by writing to *AML "Midlands" Ltd* indicating the Customer's intention to cancel and either(a) send it to *AML "Midlands" Ltd*.

13.4 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* may end this Agreement immediately upon written notice to the Customer if:

- 13.4.1 it becomes unlawful for (i) *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or the Carrier supporting the Service to continue to provide the Service; or (ii) *AML "Midlands" Ltd* or the Carrier supporting the Service is required to cease the Service by a competent regulatory authority; or
- 13.4.2 the Carrier supporting the Service ceases to do so for whatever reason or materially changes the terms of its provision of telecommunications services to *AML "Midlands" Ltd* for the Service beyond the reasonable control of *AML "Midlands" Ltd*; or
- 13.4.3 The Customer (or a third party acting on the Customer's behalf or instruction) fail to comply with any of the material Conditions or conditions of this Agreement including the Customer's obligation to pay and the Customer does not remedy such failure within fifteen (15) days of a request to do so.
- 13.4.4 The Customer take (or cause or permit a third party to take) any action in breach of *AML "Midlands" Ltd* rights to the Confidential Information.

13.5 The provisions of this Agreement regarding Confidential Information and limitation of liability shall survive the termination of the Agreement.

13.6 Upon termination of this Agreement the Customer shall immediately stop using the Service and the Customer's right to use Service shall immediately terminate.

### 14. Disclaimer of Warranties

14.1 THE SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE CUSTOMER 'AS IS', WITHOUT WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION OF ANY KIND, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. *AML "Midlands" Ltd* DISCLAIMS AND EXCLUDES ALL SUCH WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION THAT THE SERVICE IS FREE OF DEFECTS AND VIRUSES, OF SATISFACTORY QUALITY, FIT FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THIRD PARTY RIGHTS. FURTHER, *AML "Midlands" Ltd* DISCLAIMS ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES THAT MIGHT ARISE FROM A COURSE OF DEALING, USAGE OR TRADE PRACTICE. THE CUSTOMER ACCEPTS ALL RISKS AND LIABILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CUSTOMER'S USE OF THE SERVICE.

## 15. Limitation on Liability

15.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall exclude or limit liability for(a) death or personal injury resulting from the negligence of either party or their servants, agents or employees or(b) fraud.

15.2 AML “Midlands” Ltd shall not be liable in contract, tort, pre-contract or other representations (other than fraudulent or negligent misrepresentations) or otherwise arising out of or in connection with this Agreement for:

- 15.2.1 any economic losses (including, without limitation, loss of revenues, profits, contracts, business or anticipated savings); or
- 15.2.2 any loss of goodwill or reputation; or
- 15.2.3 any special, indirect or consequential losses or any destruction of data, in any case, whether or not such losses were within the contemplation of the parties at the date of this Agreement, suffered or incurred by that party arising out of or in connection with the provisions of, or any matter under this Agreement.

15.3 Subject to paragraphs 15.1 and 15.2 AML “Midlands” Ltd liability to the Customer in contract, tort, negligence, pre-contract or other representations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or the performance or observation of its obligations under this Agreement shall be limited in aggregate to £250.

15.4 Each provision of this paragraph 15 excluding or limiting liability shall be construed separately, applying and surviving even if for any reason any other provision does not remain in force, notwithstanding the expiry or termination of this Agreement.

15.5 The Customer is solely responsible for any liability arising out of any content provided by the Customer and/or any material to which other users can link to through such content. Any data included in the Equipment upon installation by AML “Midlands” Ltd is for testing use only and AML “Midlands” Ltd hereby disclaim any and all liability arising there from.

## 16. Indemnity

16.1 The Customer agrees to indemnify and hold AML “Midlands” Ltd harmless for all liabilities, loss, claims and expenses that may arise from (a) any breach of these Conditions by the Customer; and (b) any transmission or receipt of any content or message which the Customer has requested or made using the Service.

## 17. Data Protection/Personal Details

17.1 AML “Midlands” Ltd may retain the Customer's personal data, and the Customer authorise AML “Midlands” Ltd to use their personal data, for the following purposes:

- 17.1.1 provision of the Service to the Customer;
- 17.1.2 keeping of a record for a reasonable period after termination of the Customer's Service;
- 17.1.3 operation and enforcement of these Conditions;
- 17.1.4 technical maintenance;
- 17.1.5 providing the Customer with information about other services AML “Midlands” Ltd offer, subject to the Customer's right to opt out of receiving such information on the Application Form;
- 17.1.6 transferring it to another company in the event of a sale of Cole Robert and Co Limited; and
- 17.1.7 legal compliance including disclosing it to any third party who AML “Midlands” Ltd reasonably consider has a legitimate interest in any such investigation or its outcome.

17.2 It is the Customer's responsibility to keep the personal data that the Customer provide to AML “Midlands” Ltd up to date. AML “Midlands” Ltd may send notices or other information to the Customer at the address the Customer give Cole Robert and Co Limited. The Customer should notify AML “Midlands” Ltd immediately of any change to the Customer's personal data by sending Cole Robert and Co Limited.

## 18. Confidentiality

18.1 The Customer must at all times, both during the term of the Agreement and for a period of two (2) years after its termination, keep in confidence all Confidential Information using at least the same standard of care the Customer uses with their own confidential information, but in any event no less than reasonable care. The Customer may not use or disclose any Confidential Information other than for purposes and activities specifically permitted by the Agreement. The Customer may only disclose Confidential Information to an employee or contractor under binding obligations of confidentiality substantially similar to those set forth in this Agreement on a 'need to know' basis. If the Customer is legally compelled to disclose any Confidential Information, then, prior to such disclosure, the Customer must:

18.1.1 immediately notify *AML "Midlands" Ltd* to allow *AML "Midlands" Ltd* an opportunity to contest the disclosure;

18.1.2 assert the privileged and confidential nature of the Confidential Information; and

18.1.3 co-operate fully with *AML "Midlands" Ltd* in protecting against any such disclosure and/or obtaining a protective order narrowing the scope of such disclosure and/or use of the Confidential Information. In the event that such protection is not obtained the Customer may disclose the Confidential Information only to the extent necessary to comply with applicable legal requirements.

## 19. Notices

19.1 Any notice required or permitted under the Agreement must be in English and in writing. The Customer must send any such notice to *AML "Midlands" Ltd*.

19.2 Any notice to be sent to the Customer will be sent to the address which the Customer provided on the Application Form or such other address as the Customer shall have given written notice of as the billing address.

## 20. Assignment

20.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reserves the right to assign or sub-contract any or all of its rights and obligations under this Agreement without the Customer's further consent to such assignment or sub-contract.

20.2 The Customer may not sell, lease, sub-licence, assign or otherwise transfer, whether in whole or in part, by operation of law or otherwise, the Agreement or any rights or obligations therein without the prior express written consent of *AML "Midlands" Ltd*.

## 21. Matters Beyond The Parties' Reasonable Control

21.1 If either party is unable to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement because of a matter beyond that party's reasonable control including, but not limited to, lightning, flood, exceptionally severe weather, fire, explosion, war, civil disorder, industrial disputes, or acts of local or central Government or other competent authorities or acts or omissions of third party telecommunications service providers, that party shall have no liability to the other for such failure to perform its obligations.

## 22. Proprietary Rights

22.1 All title, interests, and rights (including intellectual property rights) in the Service remain in *AML "Midlands" Ltd* and/or its suppliers. The Customer acknowledge such title, interest and rights and the Customer shall not take any action to jeopardise, limit or interfere in any manner with *AML "Midlands" Ltd* (or any third party supplier's) title, interests or rights with respect to the Service including, but not limited to, using its trademarks or trade name.

22.2 Title and related rights in any content accessed through the Service are the property of the applicable content owner and are protected by applicable laws. The right to use granted to the Customer under this Agreement gives the Customer no rights to such content. If the Customer wishes to use such content, the Customer must ensure that he has the appropriate consent or licence of the content owner.

## 23. Amendment of These Conditions

23.1 *AML "Midlands" Ltd* reserve the right to add to and/or amend the Conditions at any time. Such changes shall be notified to the Customer by posting on the Legal section of the *AML "Midlands" Ltd*'s Web site. Changes in this manner shall be deemed to have been accepted if the Customer continues to use the Service after a period of two weeks from the date of posting on the Web site.

## 24. Miscellaneous

24.1 The Agreement will constitute the entire agreement between the parties concerning the subject matter of these Conditions. It will supersede all prior and contemporaneous agreements, communications and representations (except for fraudulent or negligent misrepresentations) whether oral or written, between the parties relating to the subject matter of these Conditions, and all past courses of dealing or industry custom. The Agreement will prevail over any other conflicting written instrument or other notice the Customer may submit to *AML "Midlands" Ltd*.

24.2 Any amendment to the Agreement must be in writing and signed by an authorised representative of each party.

24.3 The Agreement shall be governed by the laws of England and the parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of England.

24.4 In the event of a dispute between the parties, the parties will attempt in good faith to resolve the dispute or claim arising out of or relating to the Agreement promptly through negotiations between the respective representatives of the parties who have authority to settle the same.

24.5 If any provision of the Agreement (whether in part or in whole) is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable the remaining provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

24.6 Any waiver of any breach of any provision of the Agreement will not constitute a waiver of any prior, concurrent or subsequent breach of the same or any other provisions of the Agreement. A waiver of a provision or breach of a provision of the Agreement will only be effective if made in writing and signed by an authorised representative of the waiving party.

24.7 The licence granted under the Agreement will not create a partnership, joint venture, agency relationship or franchise relationship.

24.8 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement will create or confer any rights or other benefits whether pursuant to the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 or otherwise in favour of any person other than the Customer or *AML "Midlands" Ltd*.



24.9 AML “Midlands” Ltd’s ADSL services will appear on your credit card as 'Internet Services'.

24.10 The headings to the sections of these Conditions are for convenience only and have no substantive meaning.

### **Acceptable Usage Policy / Fair Usage Policy**

This Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) should be read in conjunction with the AML “Internet” agreement, which is provided to all clients when agreeing a contract for the provision of services.

The term ‘Client’ within this policy refers to the person with whom AML “Internet” has entered into a contractual relationship. For the purposes of this document the term is equally applicable to resellers/partners and direct clients of AML “Internet”, and other companies within the AML “Midlands” Ltd group.

The term ‘End User’ within this policy refers to the person or persons who are utilising the AML “Internet”- provided service.

### **Introduction**

The AUP has been designed to protect AML “Internet”, Client’s resources, and peering networks in order to maintain the provision of high speed network and high availability services whilst ensuring that as an Internet Service Provider, we comply with all relevant UK laws.

AML “Internet” offer Clients a range of quality, competitively priced network and information technology services. It is the responsibility of our Clients to ensure that all End Users of these services comply with the latest edition of the AUP at any given time.

### **General Guidelines**

Any use of the AML “Internet” network or of the Internet services operated on or via the network, such as World Wide Web, e-mail, news, gopher or Telnet services, will be admissible solely within the framework of the applicable provisions specified by English law and within the framework of the service offering contractually agreed upon with the Client.

Specifically, this means that the ‘AML Internet’ network must not be used for sending, receiving or distributing content that:

- constitutes offences such as sedition; forbidden extremist political propaganda; invasion of personal privacy including insult, libel and defamation; or distribution of pornographic literature, or
- ii. is indecent, defamatory, obscene or menacing or otherwise offensive, or
- iii. violates a third party’s rights such as the right to bear a name, the right of personality, copyrights, competition and trademark laws. The End User must also observe the legal provisions concerning data protection and the protection of a third party’s privacy.

In addition to the above, the services operated by AML “Internet” must not be used for improper purposes.

Such improper purposes include any use that impairs the integrity and performance of the network or its parts and dial-in points to an extent exceeding what has been contractually agreed upon. Misuse also includes the use of the network for distributing, loading or publishing data that could violate or impair a third party’s rights or constitute threat or insecurity to a third party.

It is not admissible to use the services available on or via the AML “Internet” network for obtaining data or information that is not intended for the End User. This also includes the misuse of the services for the purpose of copying, tapping or intercepting e-mail messages or other digitally transmitted information that is not intended for the recipient.

It is not admissible to use the services for circumventing security mechanisms that protect foreign computers or computer systems, networks or network access facilities, for gaining unauthorised access to foreign computer systems (“hacking”), for performing activities in preparation for the unauthorised access to a foreign computer system (e.g. port scans) or for impairing the performance of a computer, computer system or network to an extent that goes beyond the services commonly rendered (“denial of service” attacks).

It is not admissible to use the services for distributing programs that serve the purpose of either causing damage to other users or computer systems (e.g. virus infection programs) or gaining unauthorised access to foreign computer systems (“Trojan horses”).

*AML “Internet”* Clients are responsible for taking all reasonable measures to control traffic that is sent from their End Users connections. It is their responsibility to ensure that all software on their side of the connection is virus-free and up-to date with all relevant security patches. In particular, server software running on public-facing ports, such as mail servers and proxy servers, must not be remotely exploitable.

If *AML “Internet”* finds malicious traffic emanating from an End User connection, we have an obligation to our other Clients and peering networks to take urgent measures to block that traffic. In many cases, this can be achieved by selective port blocking, but in other cases, this will involve disconnecting and suspending the account until the issue has been resolved. *AML “Internet”* understands that in many cases, the Client may not be responsible for or aware of a problem, and will work with the Client to resolve the issue as efficiently as possible to restore normal service.

End Users may not mount an attack, by whatever means, against any of the *AML “Internet”* systems. End Users may not run unauthorised mailing lists from, or through any of the *AML “Internet”* machines, or e-mail servers.

The Internet has global reach and, although the Master Services Agreement is governed under English law, Clients must take all reasonable steps to avoid breaching relevant foreign laws.

### **Internet Access**

The use of the network circuits that provide access to the *AML “Internet”* network is restricted to Clients and End Users having a contractually agreed access right, which has been granted either by *AML “Internet”* itself or by any of its partners being authorised to grant such access rights.

The End User is not allowed to transfer his/her access right; neither directly nor indirectly, to any third party without *AML “Internet”* express consent. This excludes persons involved in the client’s business operations or persons sharing a common household with the End User.

The access and authentication data that is given to the End User for access to the *AML “Internet”* network must be protected at all times. Passwords protecting the access to the network must be kept confidential, checked and modified if unauthorised use by a third party is suspected.

## **Fair Usage Policy**

AML “Internet” operates a fair usage policy on specific DSL services. The following download bandwidth allowances will apply, per End User per month, for those named services that are provisioned on ‘per user’ charging tariff. These monthly download quotas are only enforced where a more specific cap - whether it be higher or lower than the stated bandwidth allowance below - is not explicitly stated as part of the service being provisioned.

ADSL Single/Share Connections: 40GB per month

ADSL Network Connections: 100GB per month

SDSL Connections: 100GB per month

Where an End User exceeds their permitted fair usage quota, AML “Internet” reserve the right to either reduce their bandwidth (typically to sub 100Kb/s throughput) for the remainder of that month or offer additional bandwidth at additional cost.

## **Electronic-mail**

It is not admissible to distribute e-mail messages to persons not wishing to receive such messages, especially in the event that the distribution of such electronic mail is done for the purpose of confronting a single person or numerous persons with unwanted commercial advertising, political statements or announcements or any kind. The Client and End Users must refrain from sending such and similar messages to news groups; this applies in particular to the distribution of such e-mail to multiple news groups (“cross-posting”). It is also inadmissible to send multiple e-mail messages for the purpose of impairing or paralysing the recipient’s e-mail or news service (“mail bombing”).

It is not admissible to modify or falsify the information that is contained in the header of an e-mail message or news article. Every Client and/or End User operating an e-mail service on the AML Internet network must ensure that his/her service cannot be used by any third party for the purpose of sending anonymous e-mail messages or distributing messages (“foreign relaying”) that might offend against the guidelines specified herein.

## **Policy Changes**

AML “Internet” reserves the right to amend this Acceptable Use Policy in line with changes in the Internet Service Provider sector. New versions of the AUP will be introduced at the rate of no more than one per calendar quarter, with the most recent version always being available on the AML “Internet” website at [www.amlltd.co.uk/aup.pdf](http://www.amlltd.co.uk/aup.pdf)