GC Machining, Inc Supplier Quality Terms & Conditions Agreement

As a supplier to GC Machining Inc (hereafter referred to as Buyer), it is understood that when accepting our purchase orders, your organization agrees to meet the following stipulations based on the requirements of AS9100 in addition to the ISO9001 requirements.

1. GC Machining Inc requires suppliers to comply with any special requirements requested by GC Machining Inc or its customers regarding the control of specifications, drawings, process requirements and work instructions, including confidentiality clauses and ITAR compliance for performing work or service involving ITAR compliance.
2. Where required on the Buyer Purchase Orders, its suppliers must use Buyer 's customer-approved special process sources.
3. Machining suppliers must furnish inspection reports, Certificate of Conformance, and, as applicable, Material and Processing Certifications for the parts they submit.
   Processing suppliers must furnish processing certifications to the purchase order requirements and shall not process any parts for which they are not certified or approved.
   Material suppliers must furnish material certifications with original mill certs to the purchase order requirements, and shall not supply material for which they are not certified or approved
4. The supplier is responsible for maintaining the most recent revision of specifications, drawings, process requirements, inspection/verification instructions and/or other relevant technical data referenced on the purchase order. All work must be processed by the latest revision unless otherwise instructed on purchase order.
5. Certified Personnel & Certifying Staff - The Supplier shall ensure that all personnel are properly qualified to perform the work required to support the Order, including having the proper certification to perform special processes, tasks and maintenance required by the purchase requirement. The Buyer reserves the right to review all documentation supporting qualification of Supplier or Supplier ’s sub-tier personnel and Certifying Staff.
6. Suppliers shall ensure personnel are aware of their contribution to product or service conformity, their contribution to product safety, and the importance of ethical behavior.
7. Our Purchase Order instructions, prints, sketches, and specifications are considered proprietary information and are the exclusive property of Buyer, or our customers, and are considered trade secrets. All information in the contract must be held in confidence and no third-party request for information will be authorized unless instructed in writing by Buyer, representative.
8. Material containers, drawings, tooling, and any other items furnished to the supplier are to be returned to us at the completion of the order. Any drawings or specifications furnished to you are not to be reproduced without our authorization. Any Drawings, Sketches, or Specifications that you maintain are considered Uncontrolled.
9. Any delay in shipment must be conveyed to Buyer as soon as the delay is known.
10. Nonconforming Product/Material – The Supplier shall maintain a documented procedure for control of nonconforming product. The Supplier shall notify the Buyer in the event of nonconforming product/material to include post-delivery. Only the Buyer’s authorized Quality and Project Managers may disposition acceptance or rejection of the Supplier ’s Nonconforming product/material, as coordinated through the Buyer’s Contract Representative.
11. Furthermore, the supplier is required to notify Buyer of any changes to a product and/or process and to obtain approval from an authorized Buyer when applicable.
12. Supplier shall notify the Buyer of its intention to deviate from using a supplier stated on Buyer documentation and first obtain written approval from Buyer before supplying Product to Buyer using such new supplier
13. The supplier is responsible for maintaining a Supplier Register with documentation to support their selection of subcontractors based on their ability to supply product that fulfill the Buyer’s Order, including, but not limited to, evidence of customer-approved processor status. The supplier is responsible for assuring their subcontractors holds the required approvals and certificates to provide the purchased product and for applying the appropriate level of control over the subcontractor’s performance to assure compliance with the Order. However, the Buyer does not permit the supplier to subcontract any portion of the Order without prior written approval from the Buyer’s Representative.
14. The supplier continues to retain full responsibility for compliance with these specification/standard requirements when products, supplies, and/or services are purchased from secondary (sub-tier) supplier(s) that are incorporated into or are used to produce, inspect, or test products or services supplied under the purchase order.
15. The primary supplier shall:
    14.1 Provide manufacturer certifications.
    14.2 The supplier shall flow down all applicable Buyer, Customer, U.S. Government (hereafter referred to as Customer), Regulatory and/or AS9100 requirements to sub-tier suppliers (including requirements in the purchasing documents and key characteristics where required). However, Buyer does not allow the supplier to subcontract any product or process to a sub-tier supplier without prior expressed written consent of the Buyer, through the Buyer’s Contract Representative

14.3 Ensure, by performing physical and/or functional inspections, that sub-tier suppliers have complied with the requirements of this clause.

14.4 On demand, provide objective evidence to Buyer Quality Assurance personnel of compliance with this clause.

16. Buyer, their customers, and regulatory authorities reserve the right to conduct surveys and inspections at the Supplier's facility and Supplier's supply chain, to evaluate compliance with the Purchase Order and all applicable requirements, including the right to perform source inspection on deliverable products.
    This includes the auditing of records created by and/or retained by the supplier for Buyer deliverable product, including digital information, records, logs, inspection tests, and any other data, is subject to review by Buyer and its customers. When required, Buyer will provide prior written notification to arrange audits or inspections. Supplier shall provide the right of access to Buyer, Buyer's customer and regulatory authorities to applicable areas of all facilities, at any level of the supply chain involved in the order, and to all applicable records.
17. Buyer performs inspection activities to ensure that purchased product meets purchase requirements.
    They may include:
    16.1 Receiving inspections (of supplier products / services /documents) may be / are performed by a designated employee. Buyer verifies the authenticity of the appropriate certificate of conformity, material certificates, etc. and other accompanying documentation by review and comparison (as is appropriate) to the drawing and/or industry specifications or by other means. When necessary, Buyer, after previous consultation, may inspect or audit at the supplier's facility.
    16.2 Furthermore, products are inspected to ensure they meet requirements (dimensions, etc.) and the results are recorded (as appropriate). All special processes (anodizing, heat treat etc.) where the compliance cannot be verified by inspections will require a Certificate of Conformity.
18. If appropriate, Buyer may delegate the inspection authority to one of its approved suppliers. Buyer will communicate the inspection requirements (including approved monitoring and measurement equipment/methods) and Buyer will maintain a record of those approved to carry out such inspections.
19. Buyer requires a supplier to implement an effective Quality Management System, and the supplier is always expected to provide acceptable quality products. Buyer reserves the right to review and approve supplier Quality Management System for supplier's use in supplying supplies or services to the Buyer. The supplier shall notify Buyer of any changes to a product's design, development, processes, manufacturers/suppliers, manufacturing location, and/or Quality Management System approval status.
20. Corrective Action Request. The buyer evaluates the performance of its suppliers based on delivery time and quality ratings. If the supplier does not achieve minimum performance requirements or non-conformances are identified a corrective action may be issued and failure to take corrective actions could result in termination for default, withholding payment, removing Supplier from the Buyer's Approval Supplier List, and/or legal action, as appropriate and solely at the Buyer's discretion.
21. Counterfeit and Suspected Unapproved Parts Prevention. Supplier shall establish and maintain a Counterfeit Parts Prevention and Control Plan using Industry Standard AS-5553 as a guideline. The purpose of this document shall be to prevent the delivery of counterfeit parts and control parts identified as counterfeit**.** If Goods can only be acquired from independent distributors or brokers in cases of diminishing material supply or obsolescence, written notice shall be provided to Buyer Quality Manager prior to procurement of these goods by the Buyer.
22. DFARS 252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Metals
    Specialty metals incorporated in articles delivered in fulfillment of this contract shall be melted in the United States unless allowed otherwise by DFARS 252.225-7014 Alternate I.
    The following Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) requirement applies to this agreement, and is binding on supplier and each of its subcontractors:
    252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals (Alternate I).
    Access to the applicable DFARS can be achieved via the website http://www.acq.osd.mil
    The supplier shall include the terms of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order awarded under this contract in accordance with DFARS 252.225-7014 Alternate I.
23. FOD Prevention Program
    Suppliers shall comply with the current AS9146 standard. Suppliers will be subject to periodic desktop audits to ensure compliance. Audits with less than satisfactory results may require an on-site visit to discuss results and necessary corrective actions. All products are processed through receiving inspection that includes a visual inspection for FOD. Findings during receiving inspection will be documented on a non-conformance report/corrective action report and suppliers will receive notification upon discoveries.
    All approved suppliers are required to be compliant with AS9146 standard, as applicable, according to the organization's products and services provided.

24. Safety Data Sheets are required when products that the supplier provides are (or contain) restricted, toxic or hazardous substances. The supplier must warrant compliance with governmental regulations if the products you supply are restricted, toxic, or hazardous substances.
25. Workmanship and Handling: Our parts must be packaged and processed to prevent them from being damaged or from being mixed with other parts/processes. It is important that the supplier handles our parts with care.
    Nicks, Dings and Scratches will be cause for rejection and all Rework or Scrap charges may be billed back to the supplier.
26. Retention of Records Supplier shall retain all viable quality and/or test records in accordance with this order and make readily available to Buyer or its customer upon request for a period of no less than ten (10) years after the date of delivery, unless customer or other regulatory requirements state different. After the retention period expires, the supplier shall return or destroy records. Records shall remain legible, readily identifiable, and retrievable. Record identification, storage, protection, retrieval, and disposition of records shall be in accordance with the supplier's company policy.
27. Post-Delivery Support. The supplier shall have the capability to provide post-delivery support, as applicable, for
    a) collection and analysis of in-service data,
    b) actions to be taken, including investigation and reporting, when problems related to the maintenance performed are detected after delivery,
    c) control and updating technical data
    d) approval, control and use of repair schemes, and
    e) controls required for off-site work.
28. Validation of Special Processes. The supplier shall validate any process for production and service provision where the resulting output cannot be verified by subsequent monitoring or measurement (Special Processes) to assure compliance with the requirements of the applicable technical data issued by the design approval holder. Validation shall demonstrate the ability of these processes to achieve planned results. The supplier shall establish arrangements for these processes including, as applicable:
    a) defined criteria for review and approval of the processes,
    b) approval of equipment and qualifications of personnel,
    c) use of specific methods and procedures,
    d) requirements for records, and e) revalidation.

DOCUMENT REVISION HISTORY

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