

NTU Supplier Code of Conduct

Background

Nottingham Trent University (NTU) conducts its business to the highest standards of honesty and integrity and expects the same of its suppliers. We value business relationships with suppliers that support the NTU Procurement Strategy, which has targets in the areas of Sustainability, Commercial, Research, and Employability (SCoRE).

This code of conduct summarises what we expect of you as a supplier to NTU. It summarises our expectations for the social, ethical and environmental performance of all suppliers, and the principles described form a key part of our supplier selection and evaluation process.

NTU will seek to terminate any contract on performance grounds if a supplier or subcontractor is found to have violated this code of conduct.

Our code of conduct

NTU suppliers are expected to comply with all legislation applicable in the countries in which they operate, as amended from time to time. In particular, we expect NTU suppliers to:

- work in a manner consistent with the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact;
- comply with the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act 2015;
- have programmes in place to prevent fraud and corrupt business practices, complying with the Bribery Act 2010;
- operate a health and safety policy that protects the health, safety and welfare of all concerned with the provision of goods or services;
- meet the requirements of the Equality Act 2010 in their employment practices and service delivery;
- keep sensitive information confidential and comply with all contractual terms, non-disclosure, and confidentiality agreements. This applies to personal data regulated by the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and the Data Protection Act 2018, as well as to NTU proprietary information;
- meet the requirements of the NTU Sustainable Purchasing Policy, while operating an appropriate environmental management system, such as ISO 14001; and
- meet the requirements of NTU guidelines on gifts and hospitality.

As a general principle, NTU expects its suppliers to carry out all work in line with the agreed contract terms and conditions for purchase orders and subcontracts.