Vendor Agreement Sample

1. Parties Involved

- Vendor Information:
- Full Legal Name: [Vendor's Name]
- Business Name (if applicable): [Vendor's Business Name]
- Address: [Vendor's Address]
- Contact Information: [Phone Number, Email Address]
- Vendor's Representative: [Name and Title of Vendor's Representative]
- Client Information:
- Full Legal Name: [Client's Name]
- Business Name (if applicable): [Client's Business Name]
- Address: [Client's Address]
- Contact Information: [Phone Number, Email Address]
- Client's Representative: [Name and Title of Client's Representative]
- Effective Date:
- The agreement is effective as of [Start Date].
- Term of Agreement:
- Specify the duration of the agreement (e.g., one year, until the completion of the project, or ongoing).

2. Scope of Work

- Description of Goods/Services:
- Detailed Description: A comprehensive description of the goods or services the vendor will provide. Include specifications, quality standards, and any special requirements.
- Delivery Schedule: Outline the expected delivery dates or timelines for providing goods/services. Specify if partial deliveries are allowed.
- Work Location: Indicate where the work will be performed or where the goods will be delivered (e.g., Client's premises, Vendor's site, or remote work).
- Deliverables: List the specific deliverables the vendor is responsible for, including any reports, products, or services to be completed.
 - Amendments to Scope:
- Procedures for Changes: Describe the process for changing the scope of work. This could include requiring written approval from both parties before any changes are made.

- Impact on Timeline and Costs: Detail how changes to the scope of work will affect the delivery timeline and pricing.

3. Payment Terms

- Pricing:
- Price Breakdown: Provide a detailed breakdown of costs for goods/services, including any applicable taxes, shipping, or additional fees.
 - Payment Currency: Specify the currency for payments (e.g., USD, EUR).
 - Payment Schedule:
- Payment Due Dates: Outline the payment schedule, including due dates (e.g., 50% upfront, 50% upon completion).
- Invoicing: Describe how and when invoices will be issued by the vendor (e.g., monthly upon completion of milestones).
- Payment Methods: List acceptable payment methods (e.g., bank transfer, credit card, check).
- Late Payment Penalties: Specify any penalties for late payments, including interest rates or additional fees.
 - Reimbursement of Expenses:
- Define any expenses the vendor may incur in connection with the services and how these will be reimbursed by the client (e.g., travel expenses, materials).

4. Liabilities and Warranties

- Vendor Responsibilities:
- Quality Assurance: The vendor guarantees that the goods/services will meet the agreed-upon quality standards and will be free from defects.
- Compliance: The vendor agrees to comply with all relevant laws, regulations, and industry standards when delivering goods/services.
- Confidentiality: The vendor will protect any confidential information disclosed by the client and not share it with third parties without prior consent.
- Insurance: The vendor must carry adequate insurance coverage for liability, property damage, and other applicable risks.

- Client Responsibilities:

Access and Cooperation: The client agrees to provide the vendor with access to the facilities, materials, and information required to complete the work.

- Timely Payment: The client makes payments according to the agreed schedule and terms.
- Approval Process: The client will review and approve deliverables promptly to avoid delays in the project.

- Warranties:
- Warranty Period: Specify when the vendor guarantees the goods/services (e.g., one year from the delivery date).
- Remedy for Defects: Outline the vendor's obligations if goods/services do not meet the agreed standards, including repair, replacement, or refund.
 - Liability Limitation:
- Caps on Liability: Define any limits on the vendor's liability for damages (e.g., limited to the contract's total value).
- Exclusions: Specify any damages or losses for which the vendor will not be held liable (e.g., indirect, incidental, or consequential).
 - Indemnification:
- The vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the client against any claims, damages, or losses arising from the vendor's negligence or breach of contract.
- The client agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the vendor against any claims, damages, or losses arising from the client's negligence or breach of contract.
- 5. Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure
- Confidential Information:
- Define what constitutes confidential information and how it will be protected.
- Both parties agree not to disclose confidential information to any third party without written consent.
 - Non-Disclosure Period:
- Specify the duration for which confidentiality must be maintained after the termination of the agreement (e.g., two years).
- 6. Intellectual Property
- Ownership of Work:
- Clarify who will own the intellectual property rights to any work created under this agreement (e.g., client, vendor, or shared ownership).
 - License to Use:
- If applicable, grant the vendor a license to use the client's intellectual property solely to fulfill this agreement.
- 7. Termination
- Termination for Convenience:
- Specify the conditions under which either party can terminate the agreement for convenience, including required notice periods (e.g., 30 days written notice).

- Termination for Cause:
- Define the circumstances under which the agreement can be terminated for cause (e.g., breach of contract, failure to deliver, non-payment).
- Outline the process for addressing a breach, including any opportunity to cure before termination.
 - Effects of Termination:
- Describe the responsibilities of both parties upon termination, such as the return of property, final payments, and delivery of completed work.
 - Survival of Terms:
- Specify which terms of the agreement will continue to apply even after termination (e.g., confidentiality, intellectual property rights).

8. Dispute Resolution

- Governing Law:
- Specify the jurisdiction and governing law that will apply to the agreement.
- Mediation/Arbitration:
- Outline the dispute resolution process, including whether mediation or arbitration will be required before litigation.
 - Litigation:
 - Specify the venue for any legal proceedings (e.g., a specific court or jurisdiction).

9. General Provisions

- Force Majeure:
- Define the circumstances under which the parties will be excused from performing their obligations due to events beyond their control (e.g., natural disasters, strikes).
 - Amendments:
- Specify the process for amending the agreement, requiring mutual written consent from both parties.
 - Entire Agreement:
- State that this agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes all prior agreements or representations.
 - Severability:
- Provide that if any part of the agreement is found invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will remain in effect.

- Notices:
- Outline how formal notices between the parties should be delivered (e.g., in writing, via email, certified mail).
 - Assignment:
- Specify whether either party may assign their rights or obligations to a third party under the agreement.
 - Counterparts:
- State that the agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be considered an original.

10. Signatures

- Vendor's Signature:	
- Signature:	
- Name: [Vendor's Name]	
- Date:	_
- Client's Signature:	
- Signature:	
- Name: [Client's Name]	
- Date:	