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# Modern Slavery Statement 2024 - 2025

### 1. Purpose

1.1. Corporate Document Services Ltd ('CDS'), is committed to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business dealings. As a responsible business, we recognise that combatting modern slavery is a perpetual obligation. As a business focused on societal impact and genuinely making a positive difference, we are committed to continuously reviewing and strengthening our practices, engaging meaningfully with our supply chain and partnerships, and nurturing a culture of awareness and vigilance right across our workforce.

### 2. Scope

- 2.1. CDS, as a subsidiary of Bailie Group Limited, has chosen to report as a single entity to reflect the nature of our business and supply chains. This is the CDS annual published policy statement, which is our stance on anti-slavery and human trafficking.
- 2.2. This Policy Statement applies to our financial year ending 30 April 2025 and applies to all our employees at all levels, agents, contractors, external consultants, third-party representatives and business partners and suppliers pursuant to the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the 'Act').

## 3. Policy Statement

Modern slavery is a crime and a violation of fundamental human rights. It takes various forms, such as slavery, servitude, forced and compulsory labour and human trafficking, all of which have in common the deprivation of a person's liberty by another to exploit them for personal or commercial gain. We are committed to ensuring there is transparency within CDS and to tackling modern slavery throughout our supply chains. We expect the same high standards from all our contractors, suppliers and other business partners. As part of our contracting processes, we include specific prohibitions against the use of forced, compulsory or trafficked labour, or anyone held in slavery or servitude, whether adults or children, and we expect that our suppliers will hold their own suppliers to the same standards. Our employees are also aware of their obligations under the Act, and our support for them if they suspect any conflict or a breach of the Act.

# 4. Responsibility for this Policy Statement

4.1. The Managing Director of CDS has overall responsibility for ensuring this Policy Statement complies with our legal and ethical obligations, and that all those under our control comply with it.

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- 4.2. The Compliance Manager has primary and day-to-day responsibility for implementing this policy internally, monitoring its use and effectiveness, dealing with any queries about it, and auditing internal control systems and procedures to ensure they are effective in countering modern slavery.
- 4.3. Management at all levels within CDS are responsible for ensuring those reporting to them understand and comply with this Policy Statement and are given adequate and regular training on it and the issue of modern slavery in supply chains.

### 5. Steps Taken to Comply with the Act

#### 5.1. Risk Assessment

5.1.1. CDS has risk assessed its vulnerability to human rights abuses, our overall risk rating is low. The assessment is based on country, employment type and industry. Following the risk assessment, we have determined that the areas of our business where risks of modern slavery are higher is our supply chains within our contractor and agency employment types.

### 5.2. Supplier Due Diligence

- 5.2.1. Our supply chain is subject to annual assessment of modern slavery risks through our due diligence procedures. The assessment is carried out on all suppliers.
- 5.3. Employee Training and Compliance with this Policy Statement
  - 5.3.1. Our employees are trained on our obligations under the Act, and on our policy. They are aware of the risk our business faces from modern slavery in its supply chains. Training forms part of the induction process for all individuals who work for us, and refresher training is provided on an annual basis through our online employee learning programme.
- 5.4. Employee Access and Compliance with this Policy Statement
  - 5.4.1. Our employees have easy access to our internal Policy on Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking, via our corporate intranet. Our employees are invited to comment on it and suggest ways in which it might be improved via the Compliance Manager.
  - 5.4.2. Our employees also have access to this Policy Statement which appears on the CDS website.
  - 5.4.3. We encourage and support our employees in reporting suspicious activity and as such, have developed a modern slavery incident reporting procedure to enable our teams to recognize any incidents of modern slavery and report them appropriately.
- 5.5. Consequences for Employee Breaches of this Policy Statement
  - 5.5.1. Any employee who breaches the policy faces disciplinary action, which could result in dismissal for misconduct or gross misconduct.
- 5.6. Suppliers Compliance with this Policy Statement

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- 5.6.1. Our Compliance Manager is responsible for CDS' commitment to addressing the issue of modern slavery in our business and supply chains, it is communicated to all suppliers, contractors and business partners at the outset of our business relationship with them and reinforced as appropriate thereafter.
- 5.6.2. As part of our contracting processes, we include specific prohibitions against the use of forced, compulsory or trafficked labour, or anyone held in slavery or servitude, whether adults or children. Our suppliers must in turn hold their own suppliers to the same high standards.
- 5.6.3. We make it incumbent upon our suppliers to respect and comply with all applicable laws, including the Act.
- 5.7. Consequences for Suppliers who breach this Policy Statement
  - 5.7.1. We may terminate our relationship with individuals and organisations working on our behalf if they breach their obligations under the Act.

### 6. Goals and Key Performance Indicators (KPI's)

### 2024

Goal	Progress (2023)	KPI (2024)
chain.	100% for new suppliers. For existing: 35.33% completed. 46.67% in progress.	100% supplier completion target for new and existing suppliers.
Enhance modern slavery training and awareness for CDS employees.		>90% completion rate of internal modern slavery e-module.
CDS modern slavery policies and		N/A
Assessment Tool (MSAT) risk	Most recent risk rating at 80%, implement 5 improvement actions to improve overall risk rating.	85%

#### 2025

Goal Progress (2024) KPI (2025)	
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Enhance modern slavery training and awareness for CDS employees.		>90% completion rate of internal modern slavery e-module.
Improve Modern Slavery Assessment Tool (MSAT) risk score.	79%	85%

# 7. Document Owner and Approval

- 7.1. The Managing Director of CDS is the owner of this document and is responsible for ensuring that this Policy Statement is reviewed in line with the review requirements stated above or at least annually.
- 7.2. This Policy Statement was approved by the board of directors and is issued on a version-controlled basis under the signature of the Managing Director of CDS.

Signature

Date

4th June 2025