## **Human Rights Policy**

### Mackle Petfoods T/A John Mackle (Moy) Ltd

This policy affects the public, employees, contractors, suppliers, and communities associated with John Mackle (Moy) Ltd T/A Mackle Petfoods.

Respect for human rights is a fundamental value of John Mackle (Moy) Ltd T/A Mackle Petfoods. For more than 50 years, we have built our reputation on putting people first and we are committed to earning trust and respect with a set of values that represent the highest standards of integrity and excellence.

We strive to respect and promote human rights in accordance with the Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI) base code and with FSC Core Labour Requirements under the FSC-STD-40-004 Chain of Custody Certification. Our aim is to promote the human rights of the communities in which we operate, and we are committed to respecting everyone's human rights in all aspects of our operations.

#### 1. EMPLOYMENT IS FREELY CHOSEN

- 1.1 There is no forced, bonded, compulsory labour or involuntary prison labour.
- 1.2 Employment relationships are voluntary and based on mutual consent, without the threat of a penalty.
- 1.3 Workers are not required to lodge "deposits" or their identity papers with their employer and are free to leave their employer after reasonable notice.
- 1.4 Retention of passports and identity documents by Mackle Petfoods or our by Suppliers shall not be permitted. There shall also be no threats of denunciation to the authorities.

#### 2. FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION AND THE RIGHT TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ARE RESPECTED

- 2.1 The employer respects the rights of workers, without distinction, the right to engage in lawful activities related to forming, joining or assisting trade unions of their own choosing and to bargain collectively.
- 2.2 The employer adopts an open attitude towards the activities of trade unions and their organisational activities and respect their constitution and rules.
- 2.3 Worker's representatives are not discriminated against or punished for exercising these rights and have access to carry out their representative functions in the workplace.
- 2.4 The organization negotiates with lawfully established workers' organizations and/ or duly selected representatives in good faith and with the best efforts to reach a collective bargaining agreement.
- 2.5 Where the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining is restricted under law, the employer facilitates, and does not hinder, the development of parallel means for independent and free association and bargaining.
- 2.6 Collective bargaining agreements are implemented where they exist.

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#### 3. WORKING CONDITIONS ARE SAFE AND HYGIENIC

- 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.
- 3.2 Workers shall receive regular and recorded health and safety training, and such training shall be repeated for new or reassigned workers.
- 3.3 Access to clean toilet facilities and to potable water, and, if appropriate, sanitary facilities for food storage shall be provided.
- 3.4 Accommodation, where provided, shall be clean, safe, and meet the basic needs of the workers.
- 3.5 The company observing the code shall assign responsibility for health and safety to a senior management representative.

#### 4. CHILD LABOUR SHALL NOT BE USED

- 4.1 There shall be no recruitment of child labour.
- 4.2 Companies shall develop or participate in and contribute to policies and programmes which provide for the transition of any child found to be performing child labour to enable her or him to attend and remain in quality education until no longer a child; "child" and "child labour" being defined in the appendices.
- 4.3 Children and young persons under 18 shall not be employed at night or in hazardous conditions.
- 4.4 These policies and procedures shall conform to the provisions of the relevant ILO standards.

#### 5. LIVING WAGES ARE PAID

- 5.1 Wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards, or industry benchmark standards, whichever is higher. In any event wages should always be enough to meet basic needs and to provide some discretionary income.
- 5.2 All workers shall be provided with written and understandable Information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid.
- 5.3 Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure shall not be permitted nor shall any deductions from wages not provided for by national law be permitted without the expressed permission of the worker concerned. All disciplinary measures should be recorded. Withholding of wages/including payment of employment fees and or payment of deposit to commence employment shall not be permitted.

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#### 6. WORKING HOURS ARE NOT EXCESSIVE

- 6.1 Working hours comply with national laws and benchmark industry standards, whichever affords greater protection.
- 6.2 In any event, workers shall not on a regular basis be required to work in excess of 48 hours per week and shall be provided with at least one day off for every 7-day period on average. Overtime shall be voluntary, shall not exceed 12 hours per week, shall not be demanded on a regular basis and shall always be compensated at a premium rate.

#### 7. NO DISCRIMINATION IS PRACTISED IN EMPLOYMENT AND OCCUPATION.

7.1 There is no discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination, or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation.

#### 8. REGULAR EMPLOYMENT IS PROVIDED

- 8.1 To every extent possible work performed must be on the basis of recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice.
- 8.2 Obligations to employees under labour or social security laws and regulations arising from the regular employment relationship shall not be avoided through the use of labour-only contracting, sub- contracting, or home-working arrangements, or through apprenticeship schemes where there is no real intent to impart skills or provide regular employment, nor shall any such obligations be avoided through the excessive use of fixed-term contracts of employment.

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#### 9. NO HARSH OR INHUMANE TREATMENT IS ALLOWED

**9.1** Physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation shall be prohibited.

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