

# Pentex Ltd's Modern Slavery Statement for 2025

This statement is made pursuant to s.54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and sets out the steps that Pentex Ltd has taken and is continuing to take to ensure that modern slavery or human trafficking is not taking place within our business or supply chain.

Modern slavery encompasses slavery, servitude, human trafficking and forced labour. Pentex Ltd has a zero tolerance approach to any form of modern slavery. We are committed to acting ethically and with integrity and transparency in all business dealings and to putting effective systems and controls in place to safeguard against any form of modern slavery taking place within the business or our supply chain.

#### **OUR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

We will not tolerate slavery or human trafficking in our business or supply chain. Pentex Ltd maintains a suite of policies that set out our expectations and standards that all employees and contractors must adhere to. These policies are outlined below:

- 1. **Supply Chain**: Our supplier approval process incorporates a review of controls undertaken by that supplier to ensure there is no evidence of slavery or human trafficking. The Company will not support or deal with any business involved in slavery or human trafficking and is committed to complying with Minimum and Living Wage legislation.
- Recruitment policy: We operate a robust recruitment policy, including conducting eligibility
  to work in the UK checks for all employees to safeguard against human trafficking or
  individuals being forced to work against their will.
- 3. **Training:** We regularly conduct training for our teams so that they understand the signs of modern slavery and what to do if they suspect that it is taking place within our supply chain.
- 4. **Whistleblowing policy:** We operate a whistleblowing policy so that all employees know that they can raise concerns about how colleagues are being treated, or practices within our business or supply chain, without fear of reprisals.

## **Our suppliers**

Pentex Ltd operates a supplier policy and maintains a preferred supplier list. We conduct due diligence on all suppliers before allowing them to become a preferred supplier. This due diligence includes an online search to ensure that particular organisation has never been convicted of offenses relating to modern slavery and on site audits which include a review of working conditions. Our anti-slavery policy forms part of our contract with all suppliers and they are required to confirm that no part of their business operations contradicts this policy.

In addition to the above, as part of our contract with suppliers, we require that they confirm to us that:

- 1. They have taken steps to eradicate modern slavery within their business
- 2. They hold their own suppliers to account over modern slavery
- (For UK based suppliers) They pay their employees at least the national minimum wage / national living wage (as appropriate)
- 4. (For international suppliers) They pay their employees any prevailing minimum wage applicable within their country of operations
- 5. We may terminate the contract at any time should any instances of modern slavery come to light

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## **Our performance indicators**

We will know the effectiveness of the steps that we are taking to ensure that slavery and/or human trafficking is not taking place within our business or supply chain if:

 No reports are received from employees, the public, or law enforcement agencies to indicate that modern slavery practices have been identified.

#### Approval for this statement

This statement was approved by the Board of Directors on 28/01/2025

Paul Reeves

**Finance Director**