

# **Contractors Policy**

Ratified by Chair of Govs:

Signed by Suyllog

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#### Purpose:

This policy outlines the procedures and expectations for all contractors engaged by MIAG (Meeting Individual Aspirations & Goals). It aims to ensure the safety and wellbeing of learners, staff, visitors, and contractors, particularly within the context of MIAG's responsibility for safeguarding vulnerable young people.

#### Scope:

This policy applies to all individuals and companies engaged by MIAG to undertake work or provide services on site, including:

- Maintenance workers
- Cleaning staff
- ♣ ICT technicians
- Building and construction personnel
- Specialist consultants or education service providers

#### **Key Principles:**

- The welfare of learners is paramount
- Contractors must act safely, professionally, and respectfully
- MIAG maintains a duty of care to ensure that all individuals on site are appropriately vetted and managed

#### Safeguarding and DBS Requirements:

- Contractors who may come into contact with learners must hold a current Enhanced DBS check, verified by MIAG prior to work commencing
- Contractors without DBS clearance must be supervised at all times by a member of MIAG staff when on site
- All contractors must read and adhere to MIAG's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- Any concerns or disclosures involving learners must be reported immediately to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) or Deputy DSL

## **Health and Safety:**

- All contractors must comply with MIAG's Health and Safety Policy and current legislation
- A risk assessment and method statement (RAMS) must be submitted in advance for any significant works
- Contractors must report any hazards, incidents, or accidents to MIAG immediately
- Personal protective equipment (PPE) must be worn where appropriate
- Tools and equipment must be secured and never left unattended in learneraccessible areas

#### Signing In and Identification:

- All contractors must report to reception on arrival and sign in using the visitor system
- A MIAG contractor badge or visitor ID must be worn and visible at all times while on site
- Contractors must sign out when leaving the premises

## **Supervision and Conduct:**

- Contractors must follow all reasonable instructions from MIAG staff
- Disruptive or inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated
- Use of inappropriate language, smoking, or mobile phone use near learners is prohibited
- Contractors are expected to dress appropriately and act professionally

## Working Hours and Site Access:

- Work must be carried out during agreed times only
- Access will be limited to agreed areas
- Contractors may be accompanied by MIAG staff if working in learner-accessible spaces during operational hours
- Emergency access may be arranged as required and authorised by the Chief Operating Officer

# Confidentiality:

- ♣ Contractors must treat all learner and staff information as confidential
- Any personal data accessed during their work must be protected in line with MIAG's Data Protection Policy and GDPR

## **Breaches of Policy:**

Any failure to comply with this policy may result in:

- ★ Termination of contract or agreement
- ♣ Reporting to regulatory authorities or the police if appropriate

# Monitoring and Review:

This policy will be reviewed **annually** or in response to changes in legislation, operational procedures, or safeguarding requirements.