

Company number: 03066393

THE COMPANIES ACT 2006
PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
OF

BAR PRODUCTS & SERVICES LIMITED (the Company)

(Adopted by special resolution passed on

2020)

Operative Provisions

1 Interpretation

1.1 In these Articles, unless the context otherwise requires:

Act: means the Companies Act 2006;

Articles: means the company's articles of association for the time being in force;

Board means the board of directors of the Company or the directors present at a fully convened meeting of the board or committee of the board;

Business Day: means any day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in the United Kingdom) on which clearing banks in the City of London are generally open for business;

Conflict: has the meaning given in article 11;

Eligible Director: means a director who would be entitled to vote on the matter at a meeting of directors (but excluding any director whose vote is not to be counted in respect of the particular matter);

Group means the Company and all of its subsidiaries and subsidiary undertakings for the time being and member of the Group shall be construed accordingly;

Member means any registered holder of Shares for the time being;

Model Articles: means the model articles for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (*SI. 2008/3229*) as amended prior to the date of adoption of these Articles;

Share means the ordinary shares in the capital of the Company from time to time



- 1.2 Save as otherwise specifically provided in these Articles, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Model Articles shall have the same meanings in these Articles, subject to which and unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Act shall have the same meanings in these Articles.
- 1.3 Headings in these Articles are used for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles.
- 1.4 A reference in these Articles to an “article” is a reference to the relevant article of these Articles unless expressly provided otherwise.
- 1.5 Unless expressly provided otherwise, a reference to a statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation is a reference to it as it is in force from time to time, taking account of:
- 1.5.1 any subordinate legislation from time to time made under it; and
 - 1.5.2 any amendment or re-enactment and includes any statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation which it amends or re-enacts.
- 1.6 Any phrase introduced by the terms “including”, “include”, “in particular” or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms.
- 1.7 The Model Articles shall apply to the company, except in so far as they are modified or excluded by, or are inconsistent with, these Articles.
- 1.8 Articles 8, 9(1), 11(2) and (3), 13, 14(1), (2), (3) and (4), 17(2), 44(2), 49, 52 and 53 of the Model Articles shall not apply to the company.
- 1.9 Article 7 of the Model Articles shall be amended by:
- 1.9.1 the insertion of the words “for the time being” at the end of article 7(2)(a); and
 - 1.9.2 the insertion in article 7(2) of the words “(for so long as he remains the sole director)” after the words “and the director may”.
- 1.10 Article 27(3) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words “, subject to article 10,” after the word “But”.
- 1.11 Article 29 of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words “, or the name of any person(s) named as the transferee(s) in an instrument of transfer executed under article 28(2),” after the words “the transmittee’s name”.
- 1.12 Articles 31(1)(a) to (c) (inclusive) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the deletion, in each case, of the words “either” and “or as the directors may otherwise decide”. Article 31(d) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the deletion of the words “either” and “or by such other means as the directors decide”

Shares:

2 Further issues of Shares: authority

- 2.1 Save to the extent authorised by these articles or authorised from time to time by an ordinary resolution of the Members, the Board shall not exercise any power to allot Shares or to grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any security into, any Shares in the Company.
- 2.2 Subject to the remaining provisions of this article 2, the Board are generally and unconditionally authorised, for the purposes of section 551 of the Act and generally, to exercise any power of the Company to:
 - 2.2.1 offer or allot;
 - 2.2.2 grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into;
 - 2.2.3 otherwise deal in, or dispose of,
 - 2.2.4 any Shares in the company to any person, at any time and subject to any terms and conditions as the directors think proper.
- 2.3 The authority referred to in article 2.2 shall only apply insofar as:
 - 2.3.1 the Company has not renewed, waived or revoked it by ordinary resolution; and
 - 2.3.2 may only be exercised for a period of five years commencing on the date on which these articles are adopted, save that the directors may make an offer or agreement which would, or might, require shares to be allotted after the expiry of such authority (and the directors may allot shares in pursuance of an offer or agreement as if such authority had not expired).

3 Transfer of Shares

The Board may (in its absolute discretion) refuse to register the transfer of any Share or any interest in any Share, without providing any reason therefor.

Directors: Decision-Making by Directors

4 Directors to take decisions collectively

- 4.1 Regulation 7 of the Model Articles shall be amended by:
 - 4.1.1 the insertion of the words “for the time being” at the end of regulation 7(2)(a); and
 - 4.1.2 the insertion in regulation 7(2) of the words “(for so long as he remains the sole director)” after the words “and the director may”.

5 Unanimous Decisions

- 5.1 A decision of the directors is taken in accordance with this article when all Eligible Directors indicate to each other by any means that they share a common view on a matter.
- 5.2 Such a decision may take the form of a resolution in writing, where each Eligible Director has signed one or more copies of it, or to which each Eligible Director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing.
- 5.3 A decision may not be taken in accordance with this article if the Eligible Directors would not have formed a quorum at such a meeting.

6 Calling a Directors' Meeting

- 6.1 Any director may call a directors' meeting by giving not less than 15 Business Days' notice of the meeting (or such lesser notice as all the directors may agree) to the directors or by authorising the company secretary (if any) to give such notice.

7 Number of directors

Unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution, the number of directors (other than alternate directors) shall not be subject to any maximum but shall not be less than one, and if and for so long as there is a sole director, he may exercise all the powers and authorities vested in the directors by these articles or the Model Articles.

8 Quorum for Directors' Meetings

- 8.1 Subject to article 8.2, the quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of directors is any two Eligible Directors, except where the Company only has one Eligible director and the quorum shall be one.
- 8.2 For the purposes of any meeting (or part of a meeting) held pursuant to article 11 to authorise a director's conflict, if there is only one Eligible Director in office other than the conflicted director(s), the quorum for such meeting (or part of a meeting) shall be one Eligible Director.

9 Casting Vote

- 9.1 If the numbers of votes for and against a proposal at a meeting of directors are equal, the chairman or other director chairing the meeting shall not have a casting vote.

10 Transactions or Other Arrangements With the Company

- 10.1 Subject to sections 177(5) and 177(6) and sections 182(5) and 182(6) of the Act and provided he has declared the nature and extent of his interest in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts, a director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in an existing or proposed transaction or arrangement with the company:

- 10.1.1 may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the company or in which the company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested;
- 10.1.2 shall be an eligible director for the purposes of any proposed decision of the directors (or committee of directors) in respect of such existing or proposed transaction or arrangement in which he is interested;
- 10.1.3 shall be entitled to vote at a meeting of directors (or of a committee of the directors) or participate in any unanimous decision, in respect of such existing or proposed transaction or arrangement in which he is interested;
- 10.1.4 may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the company (otherwise than as auditor) and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a director;
- 10.1.5 may be a director or other officer of, or employed by, or a party to a transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, any body corporate in which the company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested; and
- 10.1.6 shall not, save as he may otherwise agree, be accountable to the company for any benefit which he (or a person connected with him (as defined in section 252 of the Act)) derives from any such transaction or arrangement or from any such office or employment or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit nor shall the receipt of any such remuneration or other benefit constitute a breach of his duty under section 176 of the Act.

11 **Directors' Conflicts of Interest**

- 11.1 The Board may, in accordance with the requirements set out in this article, authorise any matter or situation proposed to them by any director which would, if not authorised, involve a director (an **Interested Director**) breaching his duty under section 175 of the Act to avoid conflicts of interest (**Conflict**).
- 11.2 Any authorisation under this article 11 will be effective only if:
 - 11.2.1 to the extent permitted by the Act, the matter in question shall have been proposed by any director for consideration in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to the directors under the provisions of these Articles;
 - 11.2.2 any requirement as to the quorum for consideration of the relevant matter is met without counting the Interested Director or any other interested director; and
 - 11.2.3 the matter was agreed to without the Interested Director voting or would have been agreed to if the Interested Director's and any other interested director's vote had not been counted.

- 11.3 Any authorisation of a Conflict under this article 11 may (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently):
- 11.3.1 extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter or situation so authorised;
 - 11.3.2 provide that the Interested Director be excluded from the receipt of documents and information and the participation in discussions (whether at meetings of the directors or otherwise) related to the Conflict;
 - 11.3.3 provide that the Interested Director shall or shall not be an eligible director in respect of any future decision of the directors in relation to any resolution related to the Conflict;
 - 11.3.4 impose upon the Interested Director such other terms for the purposes of dealing with the Conflict as the directors think fit;
 - 11.3.5 provide that, where the Interested Director obtains, or has obtained (through his involvement in the Conflict and otherwise than through his position as a director of the company) information that is confidential to a third party, he will not be obliged to disclose that information to the company, or to use it in relation to the company's affairs where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence; and
 - 11.3.6 permit the Interested Director to absent himself from the discussion of matters relating to the Conflict at any meeting of the directors and be excused from reviewing papers prepared by, or for, the directors to the extent they relate to such matters.
- 11.4 Where the Board authorise a Conflict, the Interested Director will be obliged to conduct himself in accordance with any terms and conditions imposed by the directors in relation to the Conflict.
- 11.5 The Board may revoke or vary such authorisation at any time, but this will not affect anything done by the Interested Director, prior to such revocation or variation, in accordance with the terms of such authorisation.
- 11.6 A director is not required, by reason of being a director (or because of the fiduciary relationship established by reason of being a director), to account to the company for any remuneration, profit or other benefit which he derives from or in connection with a relationship involving a Conflict which has been authorised by the directors or by the company in general meeting (subject in each case to any terms, limits or conditions attaching to that authorisation) and no contract shall be liable to be avoided on such grounds.

12 Records of Decisions to be Kept

Where decisions of the Board are taken by electronic means, such decisions shall be recorded by the directors in permanent form, so that they may be read with the naked eye.

13 Appointment of Directors

In any case where, as a result of death or bankruptcy, the Company has no Members and no directors, the transmittee(s) of the last Member to have died or to have a bankruptcy order made against him (as the case may be) have the right, by notice in writing, to appoint a natural person (including a transmittee who is a natural person), who is willing to act and is permitted to do so, to be a director.

Members: Decision making by Members

14 Quorum at general meetings

- 14.1 The quorum at any general meeting or adjourned general meeting of the Company shall be two qualifying persons present at the general meeting, except when the Company has only one Member, when the quorum shall be one such qualifying person.

15 Adjournment

Where a general meeting is adjourned under regulation 41 of the Model Articles because a quorum is not present or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, and at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the Members present shall form a quorum, and regulation 41 shall be modified accordingly

16 Poll Votes

- 16.1 A poll may be demanded at any general meeting by any qualifying person (as defined in section 318 of the Act) present and entitled to vote at the meeting.
- 16.2 Article 44(3) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "A demand so withdrawn shall not invalidate the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made" as a new paragraph at the end of that article.

17 Proxies

- 17.1 Article 45(1)(d) of the Model Articles shall be deleted and replaced with the words "is delivered to the company in accordance with the Articles not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the right to vote is to be exercised and in accordance with any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting (or adjourned meeting) to which they relate".
- 17.2 Article 45(1) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "and a proxy notice which is not delivered in such manner shall be invalid, unless the directors, in their discretion, accept the notice at any time before the meeting" as a new paragraph at the end of that article.

Administrative arrangements

18 Means of Communication to be Used

18.1 Any notice, document or other information shall be deemed served on or delivered to the intended recipient:

18.1.1 if properly addressed and sent by prepaid United Kingdom first class post to an address in the United Kingdom, 48 hours after it was posted (or five Business Days after posting either to an address outside the United Kingdom or from outside the United Kingdom to an address within the United Kingdom, if (in each case) sent by reputable international overnight courier addressed to the intended recipient, provided that delivery in at least five Business Days was guaranteed at the time of sending and the sending party receives a confirmation of delivery from the courier service provider);

18.1.2 if properly addressed and delivered by hand, when it was given or left at the appropriate address;

18.1.3 if properly addressed and sent or supplied by electronic means, one hour after the document or information was sent or supplied; and

18.1.4 if sent or supplied by means of a website, when the material is first made available on the website or (if later) when the recipient receives (or is deemed to have received) notice of the fact that the material is available on the website.

For the purposes of this article, no account shall be taken of any part of a day that is not a Business Day.

18.2 In proving that any notice, document or other information was properly addressed, it shall suffice to show that the notice, document or other information was addressed to an address permitted for the purpose by the Act.

19 Indemnity

19.1 Subject to article 19.2, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a relevant officer is otherwise entitled:

19.1.1 each relevant officer shall be indemnified out of the company's assets against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him as a relevant officer in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties, or in relation to them, including any liability incurred by him in defending any civil or criminal proceedings, in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his part or in connection with any application in which the court grants him, in his capacity as a relevant officer, relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company's affairs; and

- 19.1.2 the company may provide any relevant officer with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him in connection with any proceedings or application referred to in article 19.1 and otherwise may take any action to enable any such relevant officer to avoid incurring such expenditure.
- 19.2 This article does not authorise any indemnity which would be prohibited or rendered void by any provision of the Companies Acts or by any other provision of law.
- 19.3 In this article:
- 19.3.1 a “relevant officer” means any director or other officer of the company or an associated company (including any company which is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined by section 235(6) of the Act), but excluding in each case any person engaged by the company (or associated company) as auditor (whether or not he is also a director or other officer), to the extent he acts in his capacity as auditor).
- 20 **Insurance**
- 20.1 The Board may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the company, for the benefit of any relevant officer in respect of any relevant loss.
- 20.2 In this article:
- 20.2.1 a “relevant officer” means any director or other officer or former director or other officer of the company; and
- 20.2.2 a “relevant loss” means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant officer in connection with that relevant officer’s duties or powers in relation to the company.
- 21 **Liability of Members**
- The liability of the Members is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid on the Shares held by them.