**Disciplinary Policy**

[Organisation Name] is committed to maintaining a fair and consistent approach to disciplinary matters. This policy outlines the procedures and principles that govern disciplinary actions within our organization.

**Scope**

This policy applies to all employees, contractors, volunteers, and individuals associated with [Organisation Name]. It covers various aspects of conduct and performance that may warrant disciplinary action, including but not limited to misconduct, poor performance, and breaches of company policies.

**Principles**

*Fairness:* Disciplinary actions will be administered impartially and without discrimination. Employees will be provided with an opportunity to present their case and respond to allegations before disciplinary measures are imposed.

*Consistency:* Consistent disciplinary actions will be administered to all employees and situations, considering factors such as the seriousness of the offense, previous conduct, and any mitigating factors.

*Proportionality:* Disciplinary actions will be proportionate to the offense committed, with consideration given to the impact on the organization, colleagues, and stakeholders.

**Disciplinary Procedures**

*Investigation:* Allegations of misconduct or performance issues will be promptly and thoroughly investigated by the appropriate authority within the organization, such as Human Resources or a designated supervisor.

*Notification:* Employees will be informed of the allegations against them and provided with an opportunity to respond during the investigation process.

*Decision:* Based on the findings of the investigation, a decision will be made regarding whether disciplinary action is warranted. This decision will be communicated to the employee in writing, outlining the reasons for the decision and any disciplinary measures imposed.

*Appeals:* Employees have the right to appeal against disciplinary decisions if they believe them to be unjust or unfair. Appeals must be made in writing to the appropriate authority within a specified timeframe.

*Disciplinary Actions:* Depending on the severity of the offense and the circumstances involved, disciplinary actions may include verbal or written warnings, suspension, demotion, or termination of employment. The appropriate disciplinary action will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**Record Keeping**

Records of disciplinary actions, including warnings and other sanctions, will be maintained in accordance with privacy laws, organizational policies, and other relevant legislation. These records will be kept confidential and used for reference in future disciplinary proceedings if necessary.

**Training and Awareness**

Employees will receive training and information on their rights and responsibilities under this disciplinary policy. They will also be educated on company policies, codes of conduct, and expected standards of behaviour.

**Review and Updates**

This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its effectiveness and compliance with Australian legislation, regulations, and industry standards. Updates may be made as necessary to reflect changes in the law, organizational requirements, or best practices in disciplinary procedures.

Authorised by

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[Name]

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