

Terms of Use

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These Terms of Use govern access to and use of the Podium Pursuit Fund Your Passion Payments Platform, operated by ProTouch Sports (Proprietary) Limited, within the Athlete Economy operating system. By creating an account, launching a campaign, or contributing to a campaign, the Participant accepts the terms set out below.

1. Definitions

- 1.1 The clause headings contained in this Agreement are inserted for reference purposes only and shall not affect the interpretation of any of the provisions to which they relate.
- 1.2 In this Agreement, unless the context indicates a contrary intention, an expression which denotes any gender includes the other gender, a natural person includes a legal person and vice versa and the singular includes the plural and vice versa.
- 1.3 The following words will have the meanings given to them below and similar expressions will bear a corresponding meaning:
- 1.4 **“Agreement”** this Agreement, as amended from time to time;
- 1.5 **“Fund Your Passion”** is the Podium Pursuit Crowdfunding Platform operated and managed in South Africa by ProTouch Sports (Proprietary) Limited, Company Registration Number: 2015/151949/07;
- 1.6 **“Commencement Date”** the date on which the Participant electronically accepts these Terms and Conditions;
- 1.7 **“Confidential Information”** all information of a confidential, sensitive or proprietary nature including, but not limited to, the terms of this Agreement, marketing and strategies, research, product plans, products, services, inventions, processes, formulae, technology and other information relating to either Party which comes to the attention or knowledge of the other Party;
- 1.8 **“Intellectual Property”** a product of the intellect that has commercial value, including copyrighted property such as literary or artistic works, and intangible property, such as patents, names of origin, methods and processes;
- 1.9 **“Law”** common law, legislation, regulations and any subsidiary legislation prevailing from time to time in the Republic of South Africa;
- 1.10 **“Loss”** loss, liabilities, claims, costs, charges, damages and outgoings of every description (including legal costs and expenses), compensation payable under contracts, loss of normal operating profits, loss of opportunity, loss of goodwill, loss of revenue from related contracts and pure economic loss, tracing and collection charges, costs of investigation, interest and penalties;
- 1.11 **“the Parties”** Fund Your Passion, the Participant or Campaign Owner, and Supporters or Contributors, and their respective authorised agents and representatives, and “Party” means any one of them, as the case may be;
- 1.12 **“Personal Information”** information relating to an identifiable, living, natural person, including, but not limited to, information relating to the race, gender, sex, pregnancy, marital status, national, ethnic or social origin, colour, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental health, well-being, disability, religion, conscience, belief, culture, language, birth or any information that is particular to the person;
- 1.13 **“Site or Platform”** the <https://fundyourpassion.protouch.africa> website and any third-party payments application or website;

- 1.14** “**Services**” the Site and the services available through the Site offered by ProTouch Sports, together with its parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, representatives, consultants, employees, officers, and directors;
- 1.15** “**Participant or Campaign Owner**” a person or association that utilises the Services for the creation of a Campaign;
- 1.16** “**Campaign**” a fundraising campaign set up by a Participant or by ProTouch Sports on behalf of a Participant;
- 1.17** “**Supporter or Fan**” a person, company or association that contributes to a Participant’s Campaign;
- 1.18** If any definition gives any right or imposes any duty on a Party, then, even though it is only in the definition section, it will be treated as if it were a substantive provision in the body of this Agreement.
- 1.19** Where the use of the word “including” is followed by specific examples which in turn are followed by a general expression, the general expression will not be limited to the shared characteristics of the specific words, and the general expression shall retain its ordinary broader meaning.
- 1.20** Where figures are referred to in numerals and in words, if there is any conflict between the two, the words will determine the meaning.
- 1.21** Words defined in this Agreement shall bear the same meanings in schedules or attachments to this Agreement that do not themselves contain their own definitions.
- 1.22** Where any term is defined in any particular clause in this Agreement, then that term, unless it is clear from the clause in question that the term has limited application to the relevant clause, shall bear the meaning given to it for all purposes in terms of this Agreement, notwithstanding that the term has not been defined in the definition clause.

2. Usage

- 2.1** By using the Site and Services offered by us, together with our parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, representatives, consultants, employees, officers, and directors, the Participant agrees to the legally binding terms and conditions in this Agreement. We reserve the right to change these terms and conditions from time to time. If the Participant continues to use the Services after a change, the Participant accepts the new terms and conditions.
- 2.2** To register and create a Campaign, the Participant must be a minimum of 18 years of age. If the Participant is under 18 years of age, parental or legal guardian consent and supervision will be required. On creating an Account, the Participant agrees that the information provided is accurate and correct. The Participant agrees not to impersonate anyone else or choose names that are offensive or that violate anyone’s rights.
- 2.3** Fund Your Passion is designed for athletes, teams and sports organisations pursuing high-performance competitive objectives. It is not designed for charity campaigns. We reserve the right to validate a Participant’s age and any information on a Participant’s Account. We reserve the right to cancel any Account or unpublish any Campaign that does not comply with these terms and conditions. The Participant is responsible for all activity on their Account, and for keeping passwords confidential.

3. Standard Charges

- 3.1** The Fund Your Passion Platform makes use of 3rd party payment providers to route transactions and optimise the crowdfunding effect of the campaign. A fee of 5% is charged to the Donating Participant at checkout, this fee is used to cover administration, marketing and payment provider fees. This is referred to as a “Donor Admin Fee” on the receipt. We reserve the right to adjust these fees from time to time.
- 3.2** On completion of the campaign we deduct any other fees agreed to with the Campaign Owner, prior to settling the campaign funds to the authorised beneficiary.

4. Termination

- 4.1** The Participant may terminate their Account at any time. All provisions of this Agreement survive termination of an Account, including our rights regarding any of the Participant's content. We will use reasonable efforts to remove the Campaign from the Site in a timely fashion, at our sole discretion.
- 4.3** We reserve the right to reject, cancel, interrupt, remove, or suspend any Account at any time and for any reason. We are not liable for any damages as a result of any of these actions, and it is our policy not to comment on the reasons for any such action.

5. Campaign Owner Intellectual Property

- 5.1** The Participant consents that by setting up the campaign on the Site they are providing permission for us to use or copy this content to promote it on our channels for maximum effect. The Participant is responsible for the content posted, and agrees that it is accurate and correct. We reserve the right to edit, modify, reformat, excerpt, delete, or translate any of the Participant's content to make it effective to achieve the goal. Such edits will be shared with the Campaign Owner.
- 5.4** Participant content shall not contain third-party copyrighted material, or material that is subject to other third-party proprietary rights, unless the Participant has permission from the rightful owner of the material, or is otherwise legally entitled to post the material (and to grant Fund Your Passion all the licence rights outlined here).
- 5.5** The Participant agrees that if we use the Participant's content, we will not be violating anyone's rights or copyrights. If we or our users shares the Participant's content in the ways contemplated in this Agreement, the Participant warrants that this will not infringe or violate the rights of any third party, including (without limitation) any privacy rights, publicity rights, copyrights, contract rights, or any other intellectual property or proprietary rights. Fund Your Passion will not be liable for any errors or omissions in any of the Participant's content.

6. Our Intellectual Property

- 6.1** The Parties agree to respect all of our intellectual property, information, and restrictions provided through the Services offered. The Parties also agree not to change, translate, or otherwise create derivative works of the campaign content.
- 6.2** Any Intellectual Property rights, including those contained in material or documentation (in any media or format) which are prepared, created or authored for Fund Your Passion in terms of this Agreement, shall belong exclusively and in totality to Fund Your Passion.

7. Confidentiality

- 7.1** Except as allowed for in this Agreement, the Parties undertake to ensure that all Confidential Information shall remain confidential and shall not be used for any purpose other than the fulfilment of the respective obligations imposed on each Party by this Agreement, or as required by Law.
- 7.2** The Parties shall take all reasonable steps to ensure the safe custody and confidentiality of any Confidential Information.
- 7.3** Neither Party may, unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, disclose the other Party's Confidential Information, whether written or oral, imparted or delivered to a Party or its employees, attorneys, agents, accountants, investment bankers, other advisors or representatives.
- 7.4** Confidential Information shall not include any information which is generally available to the public or becomes known to a Party on a non-confidential basis, or to the extent that the information may be required to be disclosed in terms of any Law.

- 7.5 Neither Party shall be permitted to disclose to any third party, in any marketing or advertising material or any other means of communication, the existence of the relationship between the Parties, unless that Party obtains written authorisation from an authorised officer of the other Party.
- 7.6 Any Confidential Information may be disclosed if a Party consents to such disclosure in writing, provided that such disclosure is not prohibited in terms of any Law.
- 7.7 The confidentiality provisions set out in this clause shall survive termination of this Agreement.

8. Personal Information Authorisation

- 8.1 It is acknowledged and understood that the Parties will have access to Personal Information as part of performance of the Services.
- 8.2 The Personal Information provided shall be treated as confidential by the Parties and shall only be used in order to provide the Services and as allowed by any applicable Law.
- 8.3 The Parties shall take such steps as may be required to ensure that their directors, members, employees, contractors and agents comply with these confidentiality provisions and any Law which may become applicable to the holding and use of the Personal Information.
- 8.4 The Parties shall comply with all applicable Law in respect of the storage and security of Personal Information. The provisions of this clause shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

9. Consumer Protection Act

- 9.1 The Parties understand that the Consumer Protection Act, 2008 ("CPA") has been promulgated in order to promote and advance the social and economic welfare of consumers in South Africa.
- 9.2 To the extent that the CPA includes the actions of either Party, this Agreement may be amended in order to ensure compliance with the terms of the CPA.
- 9.3 The CPA dictates a number of marketing practices, particularly in respect of direct marketing, which may apply to the Parties and which the Parties hereby undertake to comply with.
- 9.4 To the extent that there is any other Law which comes into being which may affect any of the rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement, the provisions of this clause shall mutatis mutandis apply.

10. Cession

Fund Your Passion may cede any and all of its rights or delegate its obligations under this Agreement, either absolutely or as security, to any other person or persons without the written consent of the other Party.

11. Force Majeure and Limitation

- 11.1 Neither Party shall have any claim against the other Party ("the Affected Party") for any delay or failure of the Affected Party to carry out any of its obligations under this Agreement arising from or attributable to acts of God, war, terrorism, government, labour action or unrest, failure of suppliers or contractors, or any other cause beyond the control of the Affected Party ("force majeure").
- 11.2 The performance of the obligations of the Affected Party shall be suspended for as long as the force majeure lasts, which shall commence on the date of written notice by the Affected Party to the other Party, advising the other Party of the nature and extent of the force majeure. When the force majeure ends, this Agreement shall again become fully operative and the Affected Party shall immediately resume its performance.

12. Ownership and Use of Information

The Parties acknowledge that all records and information are owned by and remain the sole property of Fund Your Passion.

13. Indemnities

Each Party (“the Indemnifier”) indemnifies the other against all and any Loss incurred or suffered by the other Party in respect of, or caused by, any breach by the Indemnifier of any of its obligations under this Agreement and which arises from the negligence, wilful default, or failure to comply with Law on the part of its employees or agents.

14. Disclosure

14.1 Fund Your Passion reserves the right at all times to disclose any information as necessary to satisfy any Law and, to the extent allowed in Law, to protect its rights or property.

15. General

15.1 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with regard to the subject matter hereof.

15.2 No failure or delay by Fund Your Passion to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver or suspension of such provision or affect in any way its right to require performance of any such provision at any time in the future, nor shall the waiver of any right arising from any subsequent breach nullify the effectiveness of the provision itself.

15.3 In the event that any of the terms of this Agreement are found to be invalid, unlawful, or unenforceable, such terms will be severable from the remaining provisions, which shall remain of full force and effect. If any invalid term is capable of amendment to render it valid, Fund Your Passion will endeavour to amend or remove the invalidity.

15.4 Each Party acknowledges that it does not enter into this Agreement on the basis of, and does not rely on, any representation, warranty or other provision, whether express or implied, except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

15.5 This Agreement shall be governed by, construed, and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

15.6 We may give the Participant notices by posting on the Site or by sending them to the Participant’s Account or to the email address on file. It is the Participant’s responsibility to ensure that their email address and other contact information is updated, current, and correct. All notices to us shall be sent via email to info@protouch.africa.

Acceptance

By creating an Account, launching a Campaign, or contributing to a Campaign on the platform, the Participant confirms that they have read, understood, and agreed to be bound by these Terms of Use.