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Collapsible Cores
General description of the Collapsible Cores

It is over 40 years since DME first introduced the Collapsible Core and today it still continues to be a major influence for molding plastic parts requiring internal threads, undercuts, cutouts etc. During this time a lot of technical knowledge and experience has been gained from many applications tackled, some of which have been very complicated. This “Know how” has been constantly passed on to the user, either through new developments, application improvements or suggestions for new applications. One such development is the new range smaller diameters which complete the series of Collapsible Cores. The Collapsible Cores now range from 7 mm to 107 mm, for the outer diameters with the corresponding inner diameter ranging from 7 mm to 85 mm. The effective collapse ranges from 0.38 mm to 4.2 mm per side at the tip of the Core, depending on the diameter of the Core.

Operation

After cooling, the mold opens and the ejector plate assembly moves forward as far as the stop. This causes the core sleeve to move away from the centre pin and the positive collapsed sleeve to engage, which ensures that all segments have collapsed. However, the molded part remains or hangs until the stripper plate is moved forward to eject the components. This is usually carried out by the activation of two double acting air cylinders mounted on the ejector plates and connected to the stripper plate on the outside of the mold. The stripper plate is then retracted using the two air cylinders before the mold is closed. When closing the mold, one has to ensure that the ejector plates are returned before the mold is fully closed. This can be achieved by the use of early ejector returns. The core sleeve is returned to the molding position thus preventing damage to the Collapsible Cores. When the mold is fully closed the next cycle can begin. When using Collapsible Cores the designer has a product which offers many opportunities for producing many variations of molded caps. The result is a mold which functions reliably and economically irrespective of whether it concerns a single or multiple cavity mold. Parts with internal protrusions, dimples, interrupted threads and cutouts can be economically produced on a high or low volume basis. It should be noted that due to the design of the Mini Collapsible Core only interrupted threads and undercuts can be produced. The interruptions consist of three small slots with width “J” (See table), but in most cases this does not imply any technical disadvantages.

Design Procedure

The following steps are used to determine if a part can be molded on the Mini or Standard Collapsible Core:

a) Calculate the expected actual shrinkage “S” = part Ø x shrinkage (%) “S1” = part length x shrinkage (%)
b) Determine that the part minor diameter “A” is not less than “A min” (See table and Fig 1)
c) Determine that the part major diameter “B” is not greater than “B max” (See table and Fig 1)
d) Determine that thread depth or part undercut at “L” does not exceed the calculated dimension “C” (see Table and Fig 1). The collapse available decreases from the front of the core at a rate of 0,02 mm/mm. When the amount of collapse “C” of the Mini or Standard Collapsible Cores is insufficient, Collapsible Cores of the same size but with a greater collapse can be obtained.

e) Determine that part depth “D” (Fig 1) does not exceed the value “D” given in the table. Dimension “K min” of the table must be equal to or larger than “K min”.

See collapsible core structure on page 8

Material and hardness

a) The centre pin is manufactured from high quality alloy steel 1.2436, hardened to 60-65 HRC. Centre pins for Standard as well as for Mini Collapsible Cores are fitted to a specific core and cannot be interchanged. This is due to the centre pin and core sleeve being assembled and ground together.
b) Core sleeves are manufactured in a 1.2363 steel (AISI 01) and hardened to 55-60 HRC. All centre pins and core sleeves carry a serial number. Always verify the serial number prior to grinding or final assembly.
c) The positive collapse sleeve is manufactured in tool steel and hardened to 55 ± 5 HRC. It is designed to function when the Collapsible Core fails to collapse independently upon withdrawal of the centre pin. Its aim is an additional and necessary safety factor.

What materials can be molded?

All commonly used thermoplastic molding resins. For many years filled and non-filled molding resins have been successfully molded. Special requirements have to be taken into consideration when PVC is processed. When using the Mini or Standard Collapsible Cores for processing this material it is recommended you contact DME.
Part design - special requirements
For successful operation the design of the part must fulfill the following requirements:

a) In contrast with the Standard Collapsible Core it is not possible to mold parts with full threads with the Mini Collapsible Core. The three remaining “marks” on the part result from the three interrupted areas with width “J” of the non-collapsing centre pin blades. Make sure that the top of the centre pin protrudes beyond the top of the core sleeve.

b) The centre pin must protrude beyond the core face by at least the distance “F”. Protrusions down to “F min” are acceptable but “F max” is recommended. For “F min” and “F max” see Table or Collapsible Core dimensions leaflet. Radius “R” is most important. For “R min” and “R max” see Collapsible Core dimension drawing.

c) There must be no undercuts on the face of the core segments. This will prevent the Collapsible Core from functioning.

d) Undercuts on the face of the pin must not interfere with full radial movement of the core. They must be located either forward of the core face or within a diameter smaller than “G” (see Table, Fig 3; max 4 mm - see Collapsible Core dimension drawing). In no case should the undercuts be so deep that they come close to the cooling lines in the centre pin. For special requirements please contact DME.

e) The core face must have a draft of at least 3° starting no further than 0.8 mm from the top of the pin. A greater draft is desirable when “B” is near “B max” (ex. 4-5°).

f) All undercuts should be drafted. A minimum draft of 5° is required (see Table, Fig 3), more is recommended. Interrupted undercuts also require a side draft of at least 5°.

g) Means must be provided for carrying the molded part off of the collapsed core at the completion of the ejection stroke. This is normally done by providing a ring projection (0.25 x 0.25 mm) on the face of the stripper stroke. The part must not drag over the core (see detail Y on Collapsible Core dimensions leaflet).

h) As in conventional practice, sharp interior corners must be avoided to prevent stress concentration in the steel. Never permit a ground thread to run out through the face of the core. This leaves a knife edge of steel that will break off in time.
Description of Components and Basic Operation
Both styles of the Collapsible Cores (Standard and MiniCores) are three-part assemblies, designed for simplicity of installation, reliability in operation, and long life. The three parts include a Collapsible Core, a Positive Collapse Sleeve, and a Center Pin.

Collapsible Core
Mat.: 1.2363 - Hardness: 54-57 HRC
- Designed to collapse independently when the center pin is withdrawn.
- The fit between segments is controlled to permit flash-free molding.

Positive Collapse Sleeve
Mat.: 1.3505 - Hardness: 54-57 HRC
- Designed to function if the Collapsible Core should fail to collapse independently. In normal operation, the PC Sleeve is not functioning. It is essential to have such a unit for maximum safety and reliability in automatic and semi-automatic operation.

Center Pin
Mat.: 1.2436 - Hardness: 60-62 HRC
- Serves to expand the segments of the Collapsible Core to their molding position.
- The pin must protrude beyond the face of the collapsing core segments, and it must have a radius around its top edge to operate properly.

Application Guidelines
- Standard Collapsible Cores have a Max. OD ("A") of thread or configuration ranging from 18.29mm (.720") - 107.31mm (4.225") and offer complete 360˚ thread or undercut geometry.
- MiniCores have a Max. OD of thread or configuration ranging from 16.38mm(.645") - 24.51mm(.965") and offer up to 70% full thread or undercut geometry. (Internal geometry is interrupted in three places to allow core segments to collapse.)
- Molded parts do not need to be closed at one end. They can be partially or completely open. Also, undercuts do not need to be continuous.
- Cores are capable of operating without benefit of lubrication, however, treating the Collapsible Core with an additional treatment for wear reduction or corrosion resistance is beneficial.
- Custom cores with size requirements that fall outside of the standard Collapsible Core and MiniCore ranges are available. In addition, finished cores with machined, EDM’d, or ground details can be supplied. Contact DME for an application review and quotation.
MiniCores broaden the applications of collapsible core molds to parts as small as 10.80 mm. Due to the smaller diameters involved, these MiniCores employ three larger collapsing segments combined with three narrow, non-collapsing blades which are part of the center pin. As a result, the internal undercut geometry is not 360 degrees around but instead interrupted in three places. The 3-blade design allows for more collapse which means a deeper undercut feature can be released.

In addition to threads, other configurations such as dimples, cut-outs or protrusions beyond the capabilities of unscrewing molds can be successfully molded. Three standard sizes of MiniCores are available with diameters from 10.80 to 24.51 mm.
Collapsible Cores are available in sizes to fit most inside detail applications. Whether molding threads or complex details, these cores can simplify design and production. Collapsible Cores allow for smaller molds to run faster cycles with less moving parts.

Collapsible Cores

Made from premium tool steels and heat treated using proprietary heat treating methods.

Standard diameters range from 13mm to 105mm.

1. Mold Closed

2. Mold Open

Ejector plate and stripper plate move forward, and the Collapsible Core is collapsed.

3. Part Ejected

Machine pushes the stripper plate forward, ejecting the molded part.
## Collapsible Cores

Collapsible cores are designed to collapse under certain conditions, allowing for easier part ejection from molds. They come in various sizes and are used in plastic injection molding processes. The dimensions and specifications for these cores are listed below for different reference numbers:

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<th>B. Part Major Ø (max.)</th>
<th>C. Maximum part undercut at L</th>
<th>D. Max. part depth</th>
<th>E Max. molded length</th>
<th>F. Pin protrusion, min.</th>
<th>G. Inside diameter collapsed core nom</th>
<th>H. Pin diameter at face (nominal)</th>
<th>K. Stripper bushing shut-off</th>
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Build in instructions available upon request.
COLLAPSIBLE CORES

CC

Collapsible cores

CC - 702 - PC
Max. molded length incl. mold shut-off: 20.32 mm
63.06 mm

CC - 652 - PC
60.96 mm

CC - 602 - PC
60.96 mm

CC - 502 - PC
48.26 mm

CC - 402 - PC
43.19 mm

CC - 352 - PC
35.56 mm

CC - 252 - PC
20.21 mm

CC - 250 - PC
20.21 mm

CC - 175 - PC
25.4 mm
25.4 mm

CC - 150 - PC
25.4 mm
25.4 mm

CC - 125 - PC
25.4 mm
25.4 mm
Collapsible cores

Max. molded length incl. mold shut-off
21.59 mm 21.59 mm 25.4 mm

Max. Ø21.59
Max. Ø32.25
Max. Ø35.3
Max. Ø44.19
Max. Ø55.42
Max. Ø71.12
Max. Ø89.78
Max. Ø96.52
Max. Ø107.31

Min. Ø15.75
Min. Ø19.3
Min. Ø23.11
Min. Ø25.65
Min. Ø32.25
Min. Ø40.46
Min. Ø52.32
Min. Ø66.29
Min. Ø73.41
Min. Ø85.09

Collapsible cores

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Collapsible Cores

Grinding Rings for Collapsible Cores securely hold the core segments in place against the center pin when grinding, high speed machining or EDM'ing details.

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Expandable Cavities

CC125GR
Grinding ring for CC125PC

CC150GR
Grinding ring for CC150/175PC

CC200GR
Grinding ring for CC250/252PC

CC300GR
Grinding ring for CC352PC

CC400GR
Grinding ring for CC402PC

CC500GR
Grinding ring for CC502PC

CC600GR
Grinding ring for CC602PC

CC650GR
Grinding ring for CC652PC

CC700GR
Grinding ring for CC702PC
Expandable Cavities simplify tooling design to effectively mold undercuts such as threads, dimples, and protrusions on parts such as snap O-ring caps, plumbing supplies, industrial flanges and valves, electrical fixtures, and much more. The patented Expandable Cavity design eliminates the engineering, maintenance, and machining required for slide action mechanisms which results in smaller molds or higher mold cavitation.

Technical Information:
Available in four standard sizes to satisfy a wide range of applications.
The Expandable Cavity expands along a conical shape; 10° per side.
Manufactured from ~1.2363 tool steel (54-57 HRC) for repeatable expansion. For optimal performance, the Expandable Cavity should ride against a hardened insert.
Expandable Cavities are capable of operating without lubrication. However, treating the Expandable Cavity with an additional coating for wear reduction or corrosion resistance is beneficial. Expandable Cavities can be ordered with molding detail for a ‘mold ready’ component.
EXPANDABLE CAVITIES

**EXC20BH, EXC26BH, EXC38BH, EXC50BH**

**Hollow Bolt Mounting Kit Includes:**
- Key (7 Thk. × 8 × 40)
- Hollow Bolt
- Standard DIN H-13 (~1.2344) Ejector Pin (400mm long)
- Spacer

**Pin Bolt Mounting Kit Includes:**
- Key (7 Thk. × 8 × 40)
- Threaded Bolt/Pin (H-13 (~1.2344), 40-44 HRC, 280mm long)
- Spacer

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**Mounting Kits**

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All dimensions and tolerances in millimeters. Mounting kits sold separately (see below). Expandable Cavity sizes not shown on this table are available by special order.
EXPANDABLE CAVITIES

### Broad Range of Benefits

**Simple Design**
The revolutionary design and engineering of the Expandable Core saves steps and solves problems that have complicated plastics molding for years. In addition to simplifying new tooling design, it can be retrofit to existing molds.

**More Reliable**
Complete reliability of the Expandable Core is assured, not only by the simplicity of the design, but also by the use of superior materials and proven proprietary processing techniques. It has been field tested over several million cycles.

**More Compact**
Using the DME Expandable Core allows you to design more cavities in each mold.

### Speeds Molding Process

The Expandable Core concept completely eliminates the need for side-action mechanisms and the additional machining steps they require.

### Speeds Development

The Expandable Core concept simplifies the engineering required to design and manufacture a new Core.

### Lowers Development & Processing Costs

The Expandable Core saves money at every step from initial tooling to processing to maintenance. Items such as complex design details, core slides and required mechanical components.

#### Typical application

- Bottle tops
- Snap fit covers/lenses
- O-ring grooves
- Barb connections
- Luer connections

EXP ****
Typical mold layouts

Go from this mold layout with conventional slide mold to this reduced mold size with expandable cavity

Radial mold layout with expandable cavity

Nest mold layout with expandable cavity
**Expandable Core**
The Expandable Core is typically made of 1.2363 tool steel, hardened to 54-58 HRC. The typical tool has 4 segments.

**Striker Insert**
The Striker Insert is made from different types of tool steel. It is hardened to 32-45 HRC scale, depending on the application. The Striker Insert has a lower hardness than the Expandable Core to ensure the eventual wear will occur on the Striker Insert. Depending on the part configuration, the Striker Insert can be used in the “A” or “B” side of the mold. (See figure 1 and 2 for details). The Striker Insert must be closely fit to the Expandable Core to ensure that in the mold closed position the segments are completely sealed against one another. The tolerance on this fit must be held to ± 0.013 mm. This will ensure flash free molding. When the mold is closed, the exterior of the Expandable Core must be supported by the Striker Insert at least 7/8 of the molded length plus the shut-off, to ensure no flash conditions. Allow for 5 mm of shut-off length below the molding length, any more is excessive.

**Interchangeable Center Pin**
The solid center mandrel is the most common type of center pin. It may have an inner cooling channel depending on its size. The center pin provides an internal shut-off with the Expandable Core.
The Expandable Core can mold a full 360° around. The most common configuration is 4 segments that mold 90° apiece. The Expandable Core can also be designed as asymmetrical, such as two segments that mold 90° apiece and 3 segments that mold 60° apiece. The amount of expansion varies according to the part requirements, and clearances needed.

The critical expansion needed to release the undercut is not the radial difference between major diameter (D) and minor diameter (d). Most Expandable Cores are usually ground or EDM'd. It is important when grinding to flood tool with suitable coolant for hardened tool steels. (Dress wheel frequently). The wheel must be of a soft grade. When grinding make sure the Expandable Core completely closed in a true circle by using the grinding ring supplied, as shown here. After all finish grinding, polishing and EDM'ing work, be sure to demagnetize the Expandable Core to prevent adhesion of any metal particles that might find their way into the Core during molding.

Note: DME does not provide the part configuration detailing or machining.
EXPANDABLE CAVITIES

Quote Request Form

Company name: ................................................................. DME account #: .................................
Contact name: ................................................................. P.O. #: ...................................................
Phone: ........................................................................... FAX: .......................................................
Address: ........................................................................... E-mail: ...................................................
City: ................................................................................... State/Province: ....................................
ZIP/Postal Code: ............................................................ Country: ................................................

Shipping method:
❑ UPS Ground    ❑ UPS 2nd Day Air    ❑ UPS Next Day    ❑ FedEx    ❑ Other .....................

Expandable Cavity Requirements

I. POLYMER SPECIFICATIONS:
A. What is the material to be molded? ..........................................................
B. What is the process temperature?
❑ Filled    ❑ Unfilled    ❑ Glass    ❑ Mineral

II. DIMENSIONS OF EXPANDABLE CAVITY: (Part print is required)
A. Specify largest diameter to be molded ...........................................................
B. Specify smallest diameter to be molded ...........................................................
C. Specify major diameter of undercut or thread ..............................................
D. Specify minor diameter of undercut or thread .............................................

III. MOLDED PART LENGTH:
A. Molding Length: ...................... (Within the Expandable Cavity)
B. Mold Shut-off:  ...................... (Shut-off land below part)

IV. EXPANSION REQUIREMENTS: (See Expandable Cavity and Striker Insert Design)
A. Critical Expansion per side: ........................................................................
B. Loss of expansion (.050in/in): ......................................................................
   Multiply molding length (Distance from top of Expandable Cavity to bottom of last undercut) by .050in
C. Clearance (Air) between plastic and steel upon expansion: ......................
   .................................................................

V. MOLD LAYOUT
A. Distance from gate (center to center): ...........................................................
B. Number of cavities:
❑ Retrofit    ❑ New Mold

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DT Series Collapsible Cores
Increased Profits

DT Collapsible Cores offer a unique opportunity to revisit older tooling designs and rebuild or refurbish the molds for maximum production efficiency and profitability. Many molders have realized the cost-saving and profit-boosting benefits of using DT Cores.

DT Cores allow for:
- Simplified, smaller molds
- Faster cycle times
- Improved part quality
- Reduced mold maintenance
- Ability to rebuild existing tools and breathe new life into old unscrewing molds
- Conversion to DT Cores through replacement mold or back half rebuild

Simplified Mold Design

The DT Collapsible Core is a positive, mechanically actuated collapsible core that eliminates complex gear and rack approaches, resulting in a simpler mold and a faster cycle time.

The maintenance advantage is dramatic due to a patented quick-lock feature that allows removal and servicing of the core unit while the mold is still in the press.

The DT Core’s compact design allows for shorter stack height, tighter cavity spacing, and also creates opportunities for use in slides or on the stationary side of the mold.

DT Cores use a simple single stage collapse/eject sequence typically run by the machine KO.
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For sizes larger than 60 mm, contact DME directly.

*Build in instructions available upon request.*
DT SERIES COLLAPSIBLE CORES

Collapsing Segments

Mat.: 1.2363- Hardness: 54 -57 HRC
- Designed to mechanically collapse when the center pin is withdrawn.
- The fit between the segments is controlled to permit flash-free molding.

Center Pin

Mat.: 1.2379- Hardness: 60-62 HRC
- Serves to expand the segments of the core to their molding position
- The pin may be flush to the core face.

Carrier Assembly

Mat.: 1.2379- Hardness: 60-62 HRC
- Mounts DT Core assembly to the mold carrier plate.
- Provides guided and anti-rotational segment movement.

All dimensions and tolerances are in millimeters.

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60˚ grinding center provided on both ends. (Grind to suit.)
Setral grease

Setral is a full synthetic, solid free non-migrating grease for long term lubrication that is used to coat the sliding surfaces between our segments and center pin. DME recommends this grease for all DT core applications. MSDS and technical data sheets are available from DME.

Description: Setral INT/300 Grease : 100g Tube
Grinding Fixtures for DT Collapsible Cores securely hold the core segments in place against the center pin when grinding, high speed machining or EDM'ing details.

Although normally DME would provide cores with finished molding details, grinding fixtures allow customers to machine their own details.

**Features:**

**Plate Material:** 54-57 HRC

Utilizing DME's exclusive Quick Lock mounting configuration, the DT Core can be removed and serviced while the mold remains in the press. This feature allows for a higher cavitation percentage and lower maintenance costs than other tool design approaches.

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**Quick lock plate (optional)**

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- DTGF4651: Grinding fixtures for DT4648 - DT4951
- DTGF5260: Grinding fixtures for DT5254-DT5557-DT5860
- DTGF18: Grinding fixtures for DT18
- DTGF28: Grinding fixtures for DT28
- DTGF38: Grinding fixtures for DT38
- DTGF48: Grinding fixtures for DT48

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### DT SERIES COLLAPSIBLE CORES

**Quick Lock Plate (optional)**

**Align and push end of Center Pin through Quick Lock Plate.**

**Bottom view of Center Pin and Quick Lock Plate in locked position.**

**Rotate Center Pin clockwise 90° to lock into place.**

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**Shaft Diameter (SD):**

**Shaft Length (SL):**

**Location of plate groove determined by mold design.**

**Shaft Diameter (SD) Flats are tangent to GD.**

**Groove Diameter ±0.05**

**NEW!**
Utilizing DME’s split ring allows for a simpler attachment method.

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Assembly Core into Mold. Then collapse core to install split ring.

Push Center pin forward to molding position and install back plate.
Retention Sleeves for DoveTail Collapsible Cores assure the position of the molded part during core collapse and part ejection.

E-mail DMEEU_specialprojects@milacron.com for more information.

US PATENT NUMBER: 9,011,138
The Sub-10 DT Cores make it possible to release very small threads and undercuts in molded caps, connectors and small medical parts.

- Allows molding of parts with 7-10mm ID.
- Simpler alternative to unscrewing molds.
- Reduces cycle time and maintenance requirements.

**Application Guidelines:**
- Maximum undercut depth is determined by final molding diameter from application review.
- Collapse stroke is determined by undercut depth from application review.
- Cores are supplied complete with machined molding details.

**DT SERIES COLLAPSIBLE CORES**

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**NEW!**
7-10mm

**NOTE:** Submit part geometry to DMEEU_specialprojects@milacron.com for quotes and application review.
DT SERIES COLLAPSIBLE CORES

DT series applications

Info

Side Action

Cavity Side

Boss Detail

Seal Ring (Pancake Pin)
Pancake center pins allow for angular shutoffs and non-collapsed molding features.
1. CONCLUSION OF CONTRACT - APPLICATION
The contract is validly entered into and the order is accepted after written confirmation by seller. These sales conditions apply to the exclusion of any other terms or conditions, unless expressly accepted in writing beforehand by the vendor. Seller has 30 (thirty) days since the reception of the order to accept or to refuse it. During this period, buyer shall not withdraw his order. Absence of any written confirmation of the order shall only be interpreted as being an implicit acceptance in case of performance of the order by seller.

2. PAYMENT
Unless otherwise agreed in writing, invoices are payable in the stated currency within 30 (thirty) days after invoice date to the bank designated by seller. Transfer charges are for account of buyer. If buyer does not pay within this term, seller shall automatically have ipso jure and without any prior formal notice, the right to charge legal interest plus 2 % from due date of the invoice. Moreover, in case of late payment, a fixed indemnity corresponding to 10 % of the payable amount shall automatically be due from the first day following the due date, without prejudice to seller’s right to prove higher damages and ask for corresponding indemnity. Should payment be in foreign currency, seller has the right to adapt the foreign currency in case of depreciation of this foreign currency in regard of the euro. Should the buyer not pay for delivered goods, the non-payment of one of the instalments gives seller the right to terminate the contract. The payments, which were done until then, shall remain property of seller as indemnity, without prejudice to the right to claim further damages or to the right to require the performance of the contract.

Payment of advance shall not give buyer the right to terminate the contract upon reimbursement of the paid advance. If payment is done by bill of exchange or check, payment is deemed satisfied only when the bill of exchange or the check is honoured. Place of payment is always Mechelen even if payment is done with bill of exchange.

3. RETENTION OF TITLE
Delivered goods remain property of seller until full payment has been received by seller. The sale of an unpaid item by buyer to a third party requires written confirmation by the third party to buyer, inclusively the retention of title, to seller. Seller has then the authority to take any necessary means in order to validly assign towards the third party. Seller may retake unpaid goods at any time and he may inform any client and/or any subcontractor of buyer about the fact that seller is and remains the only owner of the goods until full payment. The purchaser undertakes to carefully keep the goods that have not been paid for, and undertakes not to pledge them or use them in any other way as a guarantee or security. The purchaser shall inform third parties who may apply any security rights over the goods (such as, but not limited to the lessor of the premises occupied by the purchaser) that the products are and shall remain the property of the vendor until full payment of all sums owed by the purchaser to the vendor, and in the event of an attachment or other measures taken by third parties that apply to products for which full payment has not yet been made, the purchaser undertakes to immediately inform the vendor of this to enable him to apply his rights.

4. RISKS
Notwithstanding the preceding provisions, the risk transfers to buyer as soon as he has the goods at his disposal.

5. DISPATCHING OF INSIGNIFICANT VALUE
Each dispatch of less than € 50 will be increased with costs of payments and may, at sellers option, be sent cash on delivery (COD).

6. PRICE OFFERS AND PRICE LISTS
Price offers and price lists are without obligation and are subject to change without any previous notice. Any invoice issued by seller is delivered in good faith and seller shall not be responsible for the choice of material and goods.

7. PRICE AND DISPATCHING
All prices are ex works. Transportation, duties and taxes for account of buyer, unless seller's previous and express written specification to the contrary. Seller shall send goods by the fastest and most economic way at the risks of buyer. Goods may be insured by seller at buyer’s option, the insurance premiums are for buyer. Seller is not responsible for the choice of packing.

8. DELIVERY
Date of delivery is the date when the goods are ready for inspection at the indicated place. Place of origin is Mechelen, Belgium, or any other place indicated by seller. Seller is not responsible for any late delivery, except those delays due to his own fault or gross negligence.

9. RETURNING OF GOODS
No goods can be returned without seller’s previous, express and written consent. If buyer commits an error in ordering, the retaking of goods is possible only for inventory standard items. Goods must be returned within 15 (fifteen) days after invoice date and all goods must be in original conditions, all costs of transport are for buyer, as well as insurance and repacking costs. Special-order goods, marked or used items are non-returnable.

10. DEFECTS
Seller warrants defects in material and/or workmanship. Warranty is limited to the replacement or repair, at seller’s option, of any merchandise found defective during 1 month. This warranty does not include defects due to buyer’s fault or to abnormal use, bad maintenance, imperfect installation, buyer’s inadequate repair under foreseeable circumstances or in case changes were brought to material without previous and express written approval of seller. Notice of conspicuous defects must be given to seller by registered letter within 10 (ten) working days following date of delivery. Notice of hidden defects must be given to seller by registered letter with in 10 (ten) working days after date of discovery, and in any case, within a 10-month term following date of delivery. Seller is not responsible for any damage and in particular salary and material costs, loss of profit or loss of a chance incurred by buyer, unless it is demonstrated that defect is due to seller’s gross or intentional fault. If seller is responsible for defect, seller has the right either to terminate the contract and to pay back all the invoiced prices or to replace the delivered product within a reasonable term. If goods for repair must be transported, costs and risks of this transport are for buyer. In case seller is responsible for any damage, this will be limited to the foreseeable damage with a maximum amount corresponding to the amount of the product’s invoiced price. Should a third party lodge a claim against seller to obtain payment of an indemnity for a damage for which seller is not responsible in accordance with the present conditions or for a higher amount than the one seller is responsible for, buyer will warrant seller against those claims.

11. DESCRIPTION
Only product descriptions used in seller’s latest literature and correspondence with buyer, are binding for description of goods. Buyer is responsible for using items in conformity with all regulations, including but not limited to, the safety regulations in force at the place of use.

12. SPECIFIC ORDERS
For the performance of a special work, the project signed by buyer is binding to the extent it has been accepted by seller. For the performance of such work, conditions may be required. In case of any inconsistency between general conditions and special conditions, the special conditions shall apply. Should special conditions be unclear, they shall be interpreted in light of the general conditions.

13. ACT OF GOD
Seller shall not pay any damage for non-performance or late performance of his undertakings due to Act of God. Act of God includes in particular and without being limited thereto, strike, lock-out, and the non-performance by his undertakings due to Act of God. Notice of conspicuous defects must be given to seller by registered letter within 10 (ten) working days following date of delivery. Notice of hidden defects must be given to seller by registered letter with in 10 (ten) working days after date of discovery, and in any case, within a 10-month term following date of delivery. Seller is not responsible for any damage and in particular salary and material costs, loss of profit or loss of a chance incurred by buyer, unless it is demonstrated that defect is due to seller’s gross or intentional fault. If seller is responsible for defect, seller has the right either to terminate the contract and to pay back all the invoiced prices or to replace the delivered product within a reasonable term. If goods for repair must be transported, costs and risks of this transport are for buyer. In case seller is responsible for any damage, this will be limited to the foreseeable damage with a maximum amount corresponding to the amount of the product’s invoiced price. Should a third party lodge a claim against seller to obtain payment of an indemnity for a damage for which seller is not responsible in accordance with the present conditions or for a higher amount than the one seller is responsible for, buyer will warrant seller against those claims.

15. WAIVER
In case seller does not exercise one of his rights in accordance with the present conditions, this shall not be interpreted as a waiver of these rights.

16. APPLICABLE LAW – COMPETENT COURTS
This sales contract will be governed by Belgian law. The competent court is the Commercial Court of Mechelen, without prejudice to seller’s right to introduce the case before another competent court.