



## Working with us – what you need to know!

Thank you for registering with 1<sup>st</sup> Choice Staff Recruitment Ltd and asking us to assist you to find permanent and/or temporary work. There are a few things that you will need to know about working with 1<sup>st</sup> Choice.

### **Our Service**

It is part of the service offered to our clients that you will register with us and attend an interview with a Consultant. Once registered, we will be able to put you forward to suitable temporary bookings or permanent vacancies. Under the Employment Agencies Act 1973, it is a requirement that we confirm your desire for us to provide you with recruitment services. We will therefore act as both a Recruitment Agency and an Employment Business, as defined under the Act, depending on whether you are looking for permanent and/or temporary work respectively and you authorise us to seek work for you. Please inform us by return if this is not the case and we will cease to act on your behalf.

You will never be charged by us for the services that we provide you. The client will have agreed Terms and Conditions to agree that they will pay for our services. By registering, you acknowledge that, if the client wishes to employ you directly if you are working on a temporary assignment or have been introduced to the client, that we will be entitled to charge the client an introduction/transfer fee, or to agree to an extension of the hiring period with the Client (after which you may be employed by the client without further charge being applicable to the Client).

### **Permission to Work in the UK**

We are obliged, in line with Home Office guidance on the prevention of illegal working, to verify and take scans of original ID documentation as evidence of your right to work in the UK.

### **Equal Opportunities**

We are committed to a policy of equal opportunities for all work seekers and will adhere to our policies at all times which are regularly reviewed to avoid unlawful or undesirable discrimination. We will treat everyone equally irrespective of sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, disability, race, colour, ethnic or national origin, religion, political beliefs or membership or non-membership of a Trade Union. You are fully entitled to belong to one or more Trade Unions.

### **Health and Disability**

Please inform your Consultant of any health issues or disabilities that might be relevant to the position or role that you are seeking and make us aware of the reasonable adjustments that will enable you to perform the role sought. Please also inform us of any reasonable adjustments that might be required in order for you to have access to our recruitment services and to attend interview or take aptitude tests.

### **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

<https://www.1stchoice.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/1CSR-Privacy-Notice-GDPR.pdf>

The data that you provide verbally, in an email, on a CV or on any other documentation will assist us to provide you with work finding services. In providing these services to you, we operate on a Legitimate Interest basis holding your personal data on a computerised database for a reasonable and undefined period of time. This data will be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner at all times and may be transferred to our clients or third parties for the purpose to prevent or detect crime, to protect public funds or any other way permitted or required by law. By completing the registration process, you consent to your personal data being processed and forwarded to clients and references being requested and submitted to potential employers. Your details will not be transferred to countries outside of the European Economic Area (EEA) We are a Registered Data Controller with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and assure you of privacy, confidentiality and care with which your data is handled. Should you require that your details be deleted from our database at any time, please advise and we will do so within the legally required timescales.

### **Modern Slavery Statement**

We are committed to developing and adopting a proactive approach to tackling hidden labour exploitation. Hidden labour exploitation is exploitation of job applicants and workers by third party individuals or gangs other than the employer or labour provider including rogue individuals working within these businesses but without the knowledge of management. It includes forced labour and human trafficking for labour exploitation; payment for work-finding services and work-related exploitation such as forced use of accommodation. It is understood that it is often well hidden by the perpetrators with victims, if they perceive of themselves as such, reluctant to come forward. If you, yourself or anyone you know has experienced such treatment or have any concern at all please let us know now or at any time in the future.

### **Criminal Convictions**

During the registration process you will be asked if you have any unspent criminal convictions outstanding against you. It is a legal requirement that you must declare any unspent criminal convictions. You do not have to declare any spent criminal convictions.



## Key Information Document

This document contains key information which applies to the relationship between you and 1<sup>st</sup> Choice Staff Recruitment Ltd. Further details can be found in your contract, Terms of Engagement for Agency Workers (Contract for Services). You may raise any concerns directly with your Consultant or alternatively the Employment Agency Standards Inspectorate (EASI) on 0207 215 5000 reference section 8A of the Employment Agencies Act 1973.

Employment Business name and address:	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Staff Recruitment Ltd; HO 8 St Loyes Street, Bedford MK40 1EP																																								
Type of contract:	Terms of Engagement for Agency Workers (Contract for Services)																																								
Rate of pay / Minimum rate of pay expected	Your minimum rate of pay will be no less than the National Minimum Wage / National Living Wage as specified here; <a href="http://www.gov.uk/national-minimum-wage-rates">www.gov.uk/national-minimum-wage-rates</a>																																								
Intervals at which you will be paid	Temporary Agency Workers are paid each Friday in arrears by 1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Staff Recruitment by BACS transfer on a PAYE basis.																																								
Costs and deductions required by law which affect your pay:	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Staff Recruitment are responsible for paying you and are required by law to deduct income tax and National Insurance from your wages. After 12 weeks, pension contributions are also deducted. We may also be instructed to deduct any County Court Judgements made against you.																																								
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Non-monetary benefits to which you are entitled:	N/A																																								
Annual Holiday entitlement:	You are entitled to 28 days including Bank Holidays, accrued in proportion to the number of hours you have worked. If you have over 12 weeks of continuous employment with one company, your holiday entitlement <b>may</b> be increased as per Agency Worker Regulations.																																								
Holiday pay:	Holiday pay will be made at the average rate of pay over 52 weeks prior to your leave. Further details will be available in your Contract.																																								
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