



# Natural gas terms and conditions

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# Natural gas for your home

These are our Gas Terms and Conditions of Supply for the standard variable price approved by the Commission for Regulation of Utilities.

These Terms and Conditions will take effect in 30 days from receipt. Please see Condition 18 (a) for more details on your rights in relation to this notice period.

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with their own minicom equipment)

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# Terms and Conditions of Supply for Residential Gas Customers

These are our standard conditions approved by the Commission for Regulation of Utilities. As a residential customer you will be deemed to have accepted these conditions and be bound by them from the time that you receive them, which will be fourteen days from the date that you sign up (“cooling-off period”).

Bord Gáis Energy Limited is the Controller of your Personal Data. We now recommend that you read our Privacy Notice, to understand your data protection rights and how we collect and use your Personal Data. All of our Privacy Notices are located at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie/dataprotection](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie/dataprotection). The Privacy Notice which applies to our gas and electricity customers is located at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie/docs/DataProtection/GasElecPrivacyNotice.pdf](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie/docs/DataProtection/GasElecPrivacyNotice.pdf)

The Privacy Notice does not form part of the contract between you and Bord Gáis Energy Limited.

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## 1 Definitions

1.1 In these conditions the words below have the following meanings:

“**Appliances**” means all cookers, boilers, heaters and other apparatus which consume Natural Gas (including associated pipework) installed on the Premises beyond the Meter but does not include the Meter or any fittings and piping installed up to the Meter.

“**Billing Period**” means a period of one Month or two Months (depending on your tariff) in respect of which we will issue invoices to you under this contract.

“**Bord Gáis Energy**” or “**we**” or “**us**” means Bord Gáis Energy Limited, a company incorporated in Ireland with company number 463078 and having its registered address at 1, Warrington Place, Dublin 2.

“**Commission**” means the Commission

for Regulation of Utilities.

“**Conditions**” means the standard conditions of supply set out in this document.

“**Connection Agreement**” means the agreement between you and Gas Networks Ireland which governs the Natural Gas Connection. You may request a copy of this agreement from Gas Networks Ireland.

“**Contract**” means the contract between you and us for the supply of Natural Gas.

“**Deemed Contract**” means a contract for the supply of electricity or Natural Gas under Section 16A of the Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1995. A Deemed Contract is where a supply of energy (electricity or Natural Gas) is provided to a Premises in the absence of a contract for supply between a supplier that holds a licence and the owner or occupier of a Premises;

“**Distribution System**” means the system owned by Gas Networks Ireland and operated by Gas Networks Ireland on behalf of Gaslink for the distribution of Natural Gas around Ireland.

“**Emergency Response Service**” means the emergency response service designated by the Commission and operated for the purposes of receiving and responding to reports of actual or suspected Natural Gas emergencies including suspected leaks or explosions.

“**FAR**” (Forecasting, Allocation and Reconciliation) is a method of estimating gas consumption in the absence of an actual meter read. It is carried out by Gas Networks Ireland and is approved by the Commission.

“**Gas Card**” means a computer readable card issued by us which will record your pre-paid Natural Gas credits and is inserted into your Pay as You Go Meter.

**“Gaslink”** means Gaslink Independent System Operator DAC, a designated activity company incorporated in Ireland with company number 447782 and having its registered address at Gasworks Road, Cork which has been appointed by the Commission as the licensed independent operator of Gas Networks Ireland Distribution System (and its successors and assigns).

**“Gas Networks Ireland”** means Gas Networks Ireland DAC, a designated activity company incorporated in Ireland with company number 555744 and having its registered address at Gasworks Road, Cork, Co Cork acting as agent for and on behalf of Gaslink (and its successors and assigns).

**“GPRO”** means the Gas Point Registration Office, a body run by Gas Networks Ireland which maintains the register of all gas meter points in Ireland.

**“Gross Calorific Value”** means the number of GigaJoules produced by the complete combustion at constant pressure of 1013.25 Millibars Absolute at fifteen (15) Degrees Celsius under standard gravitational force of one (1) cubic meter of Natural Gas at fifteen (15) Degrees Celsius with excess air at the same temperature as the Natural Gas, when the products of combustion are cooled to fifteen (15) Degrees Celsius and when the water formed by combustion is condensed to the liquid state and the product of combustion contain the same total mass of water vapour as the Natural Gas and air before combustion.

**“Last Resort Supply Direction”** means a direction given to a supplier (the Supplier of Last Resort) by the Commission requiring it to make available a supply of Natural Gas to Premises previously supplied by another supplier.

**“Licence”** means the Licence to supply Natural Gas granted to us by the Commission.

**“Meter”** means the Natural Gas meter and related fittings and pipes installed by Gas Networks Ireland for the purpose of measuring the quantity of Natural

Gas used by you on the Premises and includes any such meter or meters of any type supplied to you at any time at the Premises.

**“Natural Gas”** means any gas transported through the Natural Gas system.

**“Natural Gas Connection”** means the connection between the Natural Gas network and the Premises up to and including the Meter.

**“Natural Gas Network”** means all of the transmission and distribution pipelines used for the transmission, distribution and supply of Natural Gas to, from or within Ireland.

**“Network Emergency”** means an emergency endangering persons and/or property and arising from a deviation in gas pressure or gas quality in the network or any part of the network.

**“National Gas Emergency Manager”** means the person designated as such by the Commission who manages a network emergency.

**“Online Account”** means our online account management system for customers where, once registered, you can access your bills and certain communications from Bord Gáis Energy, through our website or mobile app, using your registered email address and password (subject to any terms and conditions associated with online account use);

**“Premises”** means

- i) the premises specified in the application for Natural Gas supply completed by you; or
- ii) such other premises as may be notified by you to us and accepted by us from time to time; or
- iii) the premises occupied by you and supplied under a Deemed Contract.

**“Pay as You Go Meter”** means the prepayment computerised meter through which Natural Gas may be pre-paid from us using a Gas card.

**“Siteworks”** means any works carried out by Gas Networks Ireland in relation to the Customer’s Natural Gas Connection and any other piece

of work as set out in Gas Networks Ireland Siteworks charges as approved by the Commission, including but not limited to the provision, installation, repair, maintenance, locking, unlocking, disconnection or reconnection of the Meter or equipment used in the transportation and supply of Natural Gas.

“**Special Services Customers**” means customers who are particularly vulnerable to disconnection during the winter months for reasons of advanced age or physical, sensory, intellectual or mental health or as defined by the Commission from time to time.

“**Tariff Structure**” means our list of current tariffs and the pricing structure applicable to each.

“**You**” means you the customer who has entered into the Contract for the supply of Natural Gas to the Premises. Where you are more than one person or entity, each person or entity is jointly and severally liable for your obligations under this Contract.

**1.2** References in the Conditions to a document shall be references to such document as amended or replaced from time to time.

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## **2 Sale and Supply**

- (a) We will sell and supply Natural Gas to you at the Premises subject to these Conditions until the Contract is ended by either of us in accordance with Conditions 15 and 16. We may issue you additional product specific terms and conditions depending on the particular product you have chosen. Together these terms and conditions and the product specific terms and conditions form the Contract between us.
- (b) If we do not already supply the Premises, we will begin supplying the Premises on the date the GPRO notifies us that we are the Supplier and the Contract will commence on that date.
- (c) You can cancel your Contract within 14 days from the date you agreed to this Contract under the European Union (Consumer Information, Cancellation and Other Rights) Regulations 2013

by using the cancellation form on our website at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie/cancellation-form/](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie/cancellation-form/) or by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21 (“cooling-off period”).

- (d) In certain circumstances, you may require us, for whatever reason, to supply Natural Gas to you during the 14 day cancellation period (“cooling-off period”) set out above. In the event that you wish to cancel this Contract during the 14 days (“cooling-off period”) but following the commencement of our supply of Natural Gas to you, you agree to pay for all Natural Gas supplied to you up to the date of cancellation.
- (e) If you are providing information about other people on a joint application or otherwise, you must make sure they agree that we can use their information to do this. If you give us false or inaccurate information and fraud is identified, we will pass your details to credit-reference and fraud-prevention agencies.

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## **3 Metering and Billing**

- (a) The Natural Gas supply will be measured by the Meter and metering equipment that will be installed and maintained in line with the relevant Connection Agreement which sets out the main commercial terms for the connection of loads to the Gas Networks Ireland Distribution System at your premises. Gas Networks Ireland staff, its agents or contractors will read the Meter.
- (b) In between readings of the Meter, estimations of your Natural Gas consumption may be made by Gas Networks Ireland in line with the FAR process. An estimated meter read will be calculated in line with the FAR process having regard to a number of factors including (but not limited to) prior Natural Gas usage at the Premises, the time of year and the nature of the Premises.
- (c) We will regularly send you bills for the Natural Gas that you use. Your bill may also include charges for services including but not limited to Siteworks charges, that we have supplied and will include VAT.

- (d) If you or we discover that any Meter reading has been inaccurate or omitted, or the readings have not been converted into charges correctly, you or we, as the case may be, must pay any money to us that is due at the date of the next bill, or when requested to do so by Bord Gáis Energy.
- (e) If we have not been able to get Meter readings for any reason, we will use estimated readings. You can also provide us with your own Meter reading by phoning 01 611 01 01.
- (f) If we supply Natural Gas to you but all or part of such Natural Gas supplied is not registered by the Meter (due to a fault or unauthorised interference or any other reason), you must pay an amount equal to the charge that would have been payable had the Meter or metering equipment been working properly.
- (g) Further information on your bill can be obtained in our code of practice on billing entitled Billing & Disconnection and may be obtained by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.

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#### **4 Application of Terms and Conditions to your Connection for Natural Gas Supply**

- (a) In consideration, and as a condition, of being connected to the Gas Networks Ireland Distribution System in order to receive a Natural Gas supply and for other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged), you hereby accept and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions under which a connection to the Gas Networks Ireland Distribution System is provided and operated.
- (b) These terms and conditions, called the "Gas Networks Ireland Terms and Conditions for Gas Users at Non Daily Metered (NDM) Offtake Points", are available at [www.gasnetworks.ie](http://www.gasnetworks.ie) or by contacting Gas Networks Ireland at 1850 200 694 and are entered into between you and Gas Networks Ireland, acting as the agent for and on behalf of Gaslink as and from the date of this Contract.

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#### **5 Access and Siteworks**

- (a) All equipment and installations up to and including the Meter belong to Gas Networks Ireland and must be used in accordance with Gas Networks Ireland's instructions and terms and conditions. Bord Gáis Energy has no responsibility for maintaining the Meter or any metering equipment or associated pipe work. Pipe work from the Meter into your Premises and your appliances connecting to it are your responsibility. Neither Bord Gáis Energy nor Gaslink nor Gas Networks Ireland accepts any responsibility for maintaining these.
- (b) You must comply with any conditions given to you by Gas Networks Ireland or by the supplier on behalf of Gas Networks Ireland regarding the Natural Gas Connection or any related matters. A copy of Gas Networks Ireland's terms and conditions can be found on their website at [www.gasnetworks.ie](http://www.gasnetworks.ie) or by phoning 1850 200 694.
- (c) We will transfer your data to Gas Networks Ireland (in accordance with our Privacy Notice) in order that they may perform services in relation to your Meter and Natural Gas connection.
- (d) You agree to be bound by any conditions given to you by Gas Networks Ireland or by us on behalf of Gas Networks Ireland regarding your Natural Gas Connection and any related matters.
- (e) You are responsible at all times for having due care towards the Meter. You will not interfere or allow any interference with the Meter, whether for repairs or for any other purpose without Gas Networks Ireland's consent, and shall notify Gas Networks Ireland and/or us promptly of any defect in the Meter or if any alteration or other attention is required.
- (f) You may request Gas Networks Ireland to carry out Siteworks at the Premises in accordance with the terms of this Contract.
- (g) Gas Networks Ireland (and when appropriate we) will inform you at the time that you request the Siteworks of the cost and payment terms of the Siteworks.

- (h) We may request that Siteworks are carried out at the Premises such as locking, unlocking, disconnection, reconnection or servicing of the Meter.
- (i) You are responsible for all costs (including VAT) associated with the Siteworks whether requested by you or us. This includes any costs incurred as a result of the cancellation of the Siteworks by you or because of your default.
- (j) You are also responsible for any fees payable where Gas Networks Ireland visits the Premises to carry out the Siteworks at a time agreed with you, but is unable to do so due to your default.
- (k) You must allow Gas Networks Ireland's authorised personnel, agents or contractors entry to your Premises to which gas is supplied for the purposes of reading, inspecting, disconnecting, locking or removing the Meter or Meters and for all other purposes in connection with providing gas. Such entry to be permitted at all reasonable times and at any time in case of any emergency or Network Emergency.
- (l) If you fail to comply with Condition 3 (Metering and Billing) or 5 (Access and Siteworks) and this frustrates or delays payment for the Natural Gas used by you, we will be entitled to treat this as a neglect or refusal to pay for the purposes of this Contract.

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## 6 Price of Natural Gas

- (a) The price of the Natural Gas supplied by us is set out in our Tariff Structure, which is published by us from time to time.
- (b) Our up-to-date Tariff Structure is displayed on our website ([www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie)) or it may be obtained by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.
- (c) You may receive a discount for choosing a particular payment method or billing method. If you do receive a discount for this, then you must maintain this payment method and/or billing method in order to maintain your discount.
- (d) We are entitled to change the price charged once we have informed

you either by the publication of an advertisement in any national daily newspaper or by sending notice of the change to you by post or email or to your Online Account. We will give you thirty (30) days notice in advance of any price change taking effect. Any such advertisement or notice will state the date from which the change is to become effective. Should we not hear from you within this period, by continuing to receive the supply of Natural Gas you will be deemed to have given your express consent to accepting this change and that you are happy for the Contract to continue on the same terms and conditions, subject to the price change.

- (e) You may get advice from us on choosing a tariff but you are responsible for making the decision on what tariff best suits your needs. In the event that you have chosen the incorrect tariff for you, Bord Gáis Energy will not be held accountable for this or any charging that has occurred due to your incorrect selection. To change your tariff please phone us on 01 611 01 01.
- (f) If you have been on the same energy tariff for three (3) years or more, we will send you a written notification or email to review your tariff.

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## 7 Payment of Accounts

- (a) You must pay us the cost of the Natural Gas consumed at the Premises, or which is estimated that you have consumed during the Billing Period (plus VAT), and any supply charge which may be applicable to the tariff you have chosen.
- (b) Unless we have agreed otherwise, every bill, including an estimated meter read, is payable on the date specified in the bill. If you do not pay your bill on time then any discounts that are applied to your bill may be removed at our discretion.
- (c) If you receive a discount from us for paying by a particular payment method and/or choosing a particular billing method then you must continue to pay by this payment and/or billing method in order to maintain your discount.

- (d) You must also pay us for any amount specified on the bill for other services that we have agreed to provide to you.
- (e) You must pay us for any Siteworks that we or you have requested be carried out at your Premises and for which we have been charged by Gas Networks Ireland. This includes (but is not limited to) the locking, unlocking, disconnection, or reconnection or testing of the Meter.
- (f) Natural Gas is charged in kWh. To convert the meter read or estimated meter read into kilowatt hours (kWh) a conversion factor is applied. This conversion factor is provided to us by Gas Networks Ireland and is shown on your bill.
- (g) The unit cost of a kWh of Natural Gas is applied to the number of kWh used or estimated to have been used during the Billing Period to produce the cost of Natural Gas used by you at the premises. Other charges may be payable (including a supply charge) depending on the tariff you have chosen.
- (h) Your liability to pay for the Natural Gas used at the Premises (plus VAT) together with any supply charges which may be applicable to the tariff you have chosen and any amount specified on the bill for other services that we have agreed to provide to you continues until all sums due are discharged by you.
- (i) You must pay us by one of the methods set out on our website, on the back of your bill or as set out in our Code of Practice entitled "Billing & Disconnection".
- (j) If you do not pay us any sum due under the Contract you will be liable to pay us interest from the due date for payment at a daily rate equal to 2% above the Bank of Ireland AAA Overdraft Rate then in force or, if there is no such rate, then an equivalent rate, accruing on a daily basis until payment is made.
- (k) In the event that you are experiencing payment difficulties, we may agree to the installation of a Pay as You Go Meter at your Premises (where suitable) in order to maintain your supply and/or repay any Natural Gas debt owed by you which may be recovered through the Pay as You Go Meter. You are responsible for the cost of installing the Pay as You Go Meter unless otherwise directed by Bord Gáis Energy.
- (l) A Gas card will be issued to you for use with the Pay as You Go Meter. You shall be responsible for the safe custody of the Gas card. If a replacement Gas card is required by you it will be charged to you at the rate prevailing at that time. For further information on Pay as You Go Meters please see our Code of Practice on Pay as You Go Meters. You may obtain a copy of this code by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.
- (m) You will not be charged for changing supplier.
- (n) When your request to switch is processed, your current supplier will notify us if you are in arrears for more than levels set for all customers by the Commission. If we decide not to carry out the switch because of arrears, we will tell you in writing.
- (o) If you have a Bord Gáis Energy account with us at this or other premises, we may transfer any credit or debt between your accounts in order to recover any money you owe us.
- (p) Where you are more than one person or entity, each person or entity is jointly and severally liable for your obligations under this Contract. In the event that there are arrears owing on your account, Bord Gáis Energy reserves the right to seek recovery of these arrears from one or all of the joint account holders.
- (q) Failure to adhere to these Conditions in respect of payment of accounts will adversely affect your Bord Gáis Energy credit record.
- (r) If you close your Natural Gas account (credit meter) and there is a credit balance due to you this will be shown on your final bill. You must contact us to receive your credit. If any credit remains unclaimed for longer than one year then we may remove this credit from your account.
- (s) Once Bord Gáis Energy has completed the process for debt collection as set out in our Code of Practice on Billing & Disconnection, we may pass your



outstanding debt to a 3rd party agency who will attempt to recover the debt. In the event that this occurs then we may charge an administration fee.

- (t) A copy of our Code of Practice entitled "Billing & Disconnection" may be obtained by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.

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## 8 Calculation of Energy Supplied

- (a) You will be charged for the number of kilowatt hours (kWh) of Natural Gas consumed, or estimated to have been consumed, or passed through the Meter, or estimated to have been passed through the Meter during the Billing Period, in accordance with the Gross Calorific Value of the Natural Gas as determined by Gas Networks Ireland.
- (b) To convert the Meter read or estimated Meter read into kilowatt hours (kWh) a conversion factor is applied. This conversion factor is provided to us by Gas Networks Ireland and is shown on your bill.
- (c) The calculation of Natural Gas supplied will conform with the requirements of Directive 2004/22/EC on measuring instruments or any amendment or re-enactment of that Directive.

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## 9 Security Cover (Cash Deposit)

If we decide it is required at any time, you must provide us with security cover (such as a cash deposit). This may be used at Bord Gáis Energy's sole discretion for the payment of any monies which become due by you under the Contract and which remain unpaid at any time. Any cash deposit will be repaid to you when you close your account provided all sums due have been paid or provided you have satisfied our payment terms on a continuous 12 month period, whichever is the earliest.

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## 10 Special Services Customers

- (a) We will provide certain services to our customers who require special services in relation to their Natural Gas

usage. Details of these special services are set out in our Code of Practice for Vulnerable Customers which may be obtained by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.

- (b) We maintain a register of Special Services Customers. If you wish to be treated as a Special Services Customer and receive the services as set out in our Code of Practice on Vulnerable Customers, you must give us the necessary information that we require to compile this register and we agree that we will not disclose this information except to Gas Networks Ireland who require the information to perform certain services for you and in accordance with these Conditions and the law.

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## 11 Natural Gas/Network Emergency

In the event of and for the duration of a Network Emergency or in the case of an escape, or suspected escape, of Natural Gas:

- (a) we may at the request of the National Gas Emergency Manager, the emergency response service or Gas Networks Ireland discontinue the supply of Natural Gas to the Premises; and
- (b) you must refrain from using Natural Gas immediately upon being told by us or Gas Networks Ireland or the National Gas Emergency Manager that you should do so.

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## 12 Emergency Response Service

- (a) The emergency response service is operated by Gas Networks Ireland on behalf of all customers.
- (b) The 24-hour telephone number of the emergency response service is 1850 20 50 50.
- (c) We will, in so far as is practicable, take steps to inform you of any change in the details of the emergency response service before such change becomes effective. In any event the up-to-date information about this service will be displayed on our website ([www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie)), or may be

obtained by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.

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### 13 Limitation of Liability

- (a) We will not be responsible for any loss or damage sustained by you in respect of any failure by us to supply gas as a result of our inability to secure a supply of Natural Gas, industrial action, breaks or defects in mains, or any other reasonable cause outside our control.
- (b) We will not be liable to you under this agreement in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise for any indirect or consequential loss or economic loss suffered by you as a result of the sale or supply of Natural Gas or in connection with this agreement.
- (c) We will not have any liability howsoever arising in respect of, or in connection with, any failure of the services provided by Gas Networks Ireland, your Natural Gas Connection or any Siteworks.
- (d) You accept liability for the care and maintenance of the Appliances and associated pipe work at the Premises.
- (e) We accept no liability arising in relation to your Appliances, the associated pipe work or the maintenance of the Appliances or associated pipe work.
- (f) Nothing in this Contract will exclude or restrict our liability for damages arising out of liability for death or personal injury arising from our negligence.

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### 14 Discontinuance of Natural Gas Supply

Any Meter supplied to you shall remain the property of Gas Networks Ireland and may be removed or disconnected by Gas Networks Ireland in the following circumstances:

- (a) under instruction of Bord Gáis Energy in accordance with Condition 15(b); or
- (b) for safety; or
- (c) suspected interference reasons; or
- (d) if there is no active gas supplier at your Premises.

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### 15 Your Right to Terminate the Contract

- (a) This Contract will continue until terminated by either you or us in accordance with clause 15 or clause 16.
- (b) If you are moving Premises and/or no longer wish to keep your Natural Gas account open you must give us seven (7) calendar days notice in advance of you leaving the Premises (or as otherwise agreed by us) by telephone or by writing to us (in accordance with Condition 21) and pay the amount due for all Natural Gas used up to the date of such termination and for any other charges and obligations in your tariff or services that we have agreed to provide to you under this Contract.
- (c) You will remain liable for any Natural Gas used in the Premises until this notice is given and has expired and a) you have given us a meter reading or b) you have given access to Gas Networks Ireland to read and lock the Meter or c) you have accepted an estimated meter reading provided by us. If you cannot provide us with a closing meter read we may provide you with an estimated read calculated by us, at our sole discretion. Where this happens, you agree to make payment in full based on our estimated Meter read. In the event that you cannot provide a meter reading, do not accept our meter reading or cannot provide Gas Networks Ireland access to the Premises, you may be charged a special administration fee of €65 in order to close your account.
- (d) The ending of the Contract, will not affect any rights or duties which have accrued to you prior to the Contract ending.
- (e) Where the supply of Natural Gas is disconnected due to your default, you will pay us all expenses reasonably incurred and the cost of disconnection and of subsequent reconnection, if any.
- (f) Further information in relation to our policy and procedures for causing Meters to be locked or premises to be disconnected from the Natural Gas Network is set out in our Code of Practice on "Billing & Disconnection" which may be obtained by contacting us

in accordance with Condition 21.

- (g) In the event of your death, your Personal Representative will be liable for any continued supply of Natural Gas to the Premises until a new contract is entered into for the supply of Natural Gas to the Premises or until this Contract is terminated.

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## 16 Our Right to Lock or Disconnect the Meter and Terminate the Contract

- (a) We may lock and/or disconnect your Meter and may terminate this Contract in the following circumstances:
- (i) With notice, if you have not paid any monies due by you under the Contract and we have followed our policy in our Code of Practice on Billing & Disconnection in attempting to recover these monies.
  - (ii) With notice, if you continue to be in breach of these Conditions for one month or more, having received notice of any such breach from us.
  - (iii) With notice, if you do not agree to the installation of a Pre Payment Meter or agree to enter a payment plan for the recovery of debt, where suitable.
  - (iv) Without notice, if the National Gas Emergency Manager, the emergency response service or Gas Networks Ireland informs us that there is any risk of fire or explosion or injury to persons or property as a result of any defects or suspected defects in the supply main, service pipe, meter installation or the Appliances and this is not rectified within a reasonable period of time.
  - (v) Without notice, if we consider that there is any risk of fire or explosion or injury to persons or property by reason of any defects or suspected defects in the supply main, service pipe, meter installation, or your internal installations up to and including the Appliances.
  - (vi) Without notice, if we no longer have a Licence to supply your Premises.
  - (vii) Without notice, if a Last Resort

Supply Direction is given to another supplier (the Supplier of Last Resort) in respect of the Premises, and the Contract will end on the date that the direction takes effect (your data will be transferred to the Supplier of Last Resort in accordance with our Privacy Notice in order that it can supply you with Natural Gas).

- (b) The ending of the Contract, will not affect any rights or duties which have accrued to us prior to the Contract ending.

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## 17 Complaints

- (a) You may make a complaint in relation to any issue arising under the Contract by contacting our Customer Experience team in accordance with Condition 21.
- (b) Any complaints made by you will be dealt with by us in accordance with our Code of Practice for dealing with customer complaints. You may obtain a copy of this code by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.

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## 18 Variation of General Conditions

- (a) We may amend, vary or add to these Conditions at any time on giving you thirty (30) days' written notice by at least two methods which will be in the form set out below:
- Bill insert,
  - via our website,
  - by email or
  - via the mass media.

We will provide you with a copy of the amendments to the Conditions. If any variation, addition or amendment is unacceptable to you, you may end the Contract in accordance with Condition 14(a) (the unvaried Conditions applying during the seven (7) day notice period), otherwise by continuing to receive the supply of Natural Gas, you will be deemed to have expressly consented to

accepting the new Conditions and these will become effective 30 days after we have served the notice of variation/addition/amendment.

- (b) The Conditions shall be displayed on our website <https://www.bordgaisenergy.ie>, or may be obtained by contacting us in accordance with Condition 21.

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## 19 Assignment

- (a) We may assign or transfer to any other person the benefit of this Contract or any or all of our rights and obligations hereunder without your prior written approval.
- (b) You may not assign this Contract without our prior written consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

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## 20 Notices

- (a) Except for price change notices issued under Condition 6(c) we will have given you proper notice:
  - (i) if we send the notice by post to your last known address on the second day after the date it was posted; or
  - (ii) by email to the address you have registered with us; or
  - (iii) via your Online Account as notified to you by email; or
  - (iv) if we address the notice to some or all customers in an advertisement in a national newspaper. Notices may be included in any other communication we send you.
- (b) You will have given us proper notice if you send the notice by post addressed to us at our principal office in accordance with Condition 21.

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## 21 Contact Details

- (a) Our Customer Experience team may be contacted:
  - (i) In writing: Bord Gáis Energy  
PO Box 10943  
Dublin 1
  - (ii) By telephone: 01 611 01 01
  - (iii) By fax: 01 611 01 02
  - (iv) By e-mail: [info@bordgais.ie](mailto:info@bordgais.ie)
  - (v) Minicom: 1850 630 630

Please note, we will only deal with the named account holder or authorised representative for data protection purposes.

Certain information as provided in the Conditions may also be obtained on our website at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie)

- (b) This contact information may be amended or varied from time to time. The up-to-date information in this regard will be displayed on our website and on your bill.

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## 22 Bord Gáis Energy Codes of Practice and Customer Charter

- (a) We have 6 Codes of Practice covering Complaint Handling, Marketing, Sign-Up, Billing & Disconnection, Pay as You Go Meters and Special Services Customers which set out the way we do our business in each of these areas and the services and levels of service you can expect. To obtain a free copy please call us on 01 611 01 01 or visit our website at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie)
- (b) We have a Customer Charter which sets out our customer service commitments and our 8 guaranteed service standards. If you believe that we have breached any of our guaranteed standards, you may apply for a Charter payment. To obtain a free copy please call us on 01 611 01 01 or visit our website at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie)

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## 23 Customer Information

You agree that we may give your information to Gas Networks Ireland and Gaslink for the purposes of connecting you to, and operating, the Gas Networks Ireland distribution system and for the purposes of the “Terms and Conditions for Gas Users at Non Daily Metered (NDM) Offtake Points”.

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## 24 Deemed Contract

- (a) If you own or occupy a Premises where a supply of Natural Gas is provided and you do not have a contract for the supply of Natural Gas with Bord Gáis Energy as the registered supplier of the Premises then you will be considered to be supplied by us under a Deemed Contract.
- (b) The Deemed Contract will be between us, Bord Gáis Energy, and you, the owner or occupier of the Premises. The Deemed Contract will start on the date when you begin to take a supply of gas in the absence of a contract for supply and shall end on the date on which we or another supplier is registered with the GPRO as the supplier of the Premises or on the date on which we cease to supply the Premises, whichever is the earliest.
- (c) If you are being supplied under a Deemed Contract:
  - (i) we will send you a notice informing you of this and advising you that you are liable to pay for any Natural Gas consumed under a Deemed Contract; and
  - (ii) these standard Conditions of Supply for Residential Customers will apply to you; and
  - (iii) you will be charged our standard Natural Gas tariff (which shall include applicable charges, taxes and levies) for residential customers for any Natural Gas supplied. Our standard Natural Gas tariff is published on our website at [www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie) or can be obtained by calling us on 01 611 01 01 ;
  - (iv) you are free to enter into a contract of supply with us or with another energy Supplier; and

- (v) You will be bound by Gas Networks Ireland Terms and Conditions for Gas Users at Non Daily Metered (NDM) Offtake Points.

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## 25 General

- (a) The headings in these Conditions are for convenience only and will not affect their interpretation.
- (b) If we waive a breach of the Contract by you, that waiver shall not be considered to be or include a waiver of any subsequent breach by you of the same or any other provision.
- (c) If a competent authority determines that any provision of these Conditions is invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part the validity of the other provisions of these Conditions and the remainder of the provision in question shall not be affected by that determination.
- (d) The Contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of Ireland and the courts of Ireland and the Commission for Regulation of Utilities shall have jurisdiction to decide any disputes arising between us and you.





