

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF USE

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IMPORTANT LEGAL NOTICE

These Terms and Conditions of Use (“Terms” or “Agreement”) constitute a legally binding contract between you and Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PB,” “Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD,” “Company,” “we,” “us,” or “our”). Please read this Agreement carefully before accessing, browsing, purchasing, downloading, publishing through, submitting materials to, or otherwise using any website, mobile application, digital platform, online store, software, author portal, publishing service, or other product or service operated by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD. By accessing or using any PB platform or service, creating an account, purchasing products or services, submitting manuscripts, uploading content, or otherwise interacting with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, you acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agree to be legally bound by these Terms and all policies incorporated herein by reference. If you do not agree to these Terms, you must immediately discontinue use of all PB websites, platforms, products, and services.

Attorney Review Recommendation

This document is intended to serve as the governing Terms and Conditions for Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD. Because contract enforceability varies by jurisdiction and applicable law may change over time, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD recommends that these Terms be reviewed periodically by licensed legal counsel, particularly counsel licensed in the State of Louisiana and, where applicable, other jurisdictions in which Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD conducts business.

1. SECTION 1: ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT

1.1 Binding Agreement

These Terms constitute a legally binding agreement between Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD and every individual or entity that accesses or uses any portion of the Company’s platforms, products, publishing services, digital content, software, websites, mobile applications, online stores, or related services.

This Agreement applies whether you are:

- a visitor;
- a customer;
- an author;
- an editor;
- a contractor;
- a publisher;
- a distributor;
- a reviewer;
- a purchaser of physical or digital products; or
- any other person interacting with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

1.2 Eligibility

You represent and warrant that:

- you are at least eighteen (18) years of age or the age of legal majority in your jurisdiction;

- you possess the legal capacity to enter into binding contracts;
- all information you provide to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is accurate and current; and
- your use of the Services complies with all applicable local, state, federal, and international laws.

If you are under the age of legal majority, you may use Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD only under the supervision of a parent or legal guardian who agrees to be bound by these Terms.

1.3 Scope of Agreement

These Terms govern your use of all current and future services offered by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, including but not limited to:

- websites;
- online bookstores;
- digital bookstores;
- e-books;
- audiobooks;
- printed books;
- publishing services;
- editing services;
- formatting services;
- design services;
- ISBN services;
- metadata services;
- author portals;
- royalty systems;
- digital downloads;
- software;
- educational resources;
- subscriptions;
- memberships; and
- any additional products or services introduced in the future.

1.4 Supplemental Agreements

Certain products or services may require additional agreements, policies, or contractual terms. These may include, without limitation:

- Publishing Agreements;
- Distribution Agreements;
- Privacy Policy;
- Cookie Policy;
- Refund Policy;
- Author Submission Guidelines;
- Licensing Agreements;
- Royalty Agreements;
- Marketplace Policies; and
- Promotional Program Terms.

Where a separate written agreement has been executed between you and Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, that agreement shall control solely with respect to the subject matter covered by that agreement. These Terms shall continue to govern all other aspects of your relationship with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

1.5 Electronic Acceptance

You acknowledge and agree that your use of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD's platforms, including clicking an "I Agree," "Accept," "Purchase," "Submit," "Continue," or similar button, creating an account, submitting materials, purchasing products, or otherwise using the Services, constitutes your electronic signature and your legally binding acceptance of this Agreement. You further consent to receive notices, disclosures, agreements, invoices, and other communications electronically, and agree that electronic records and signatures satisfy any legal requirement that such communications be in writing.

1.6 Changes to These Terms

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to modify, amend, replace, or update these Terms at any time in its sole discretion. Material changes will become effective upon posting to the applicable Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD platform unless otherwise stated. Your continued access to or use of any Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD service after revised Terms become effective constitutes your acceptance of the revised Agreement. If you do not agree to any revised Terms, your sole remedy is to discontinue use of the Services.

1.7 Reservation of Rights

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves all rights not expressly granted under these Terms. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as granting any ownership interest, license, or intellectual property rights except as expressly stated herein.

2. SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

For purposes of these Terms and Conditions, the following capitalized terms shall have the meanings set forth below unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

2.1 “Account”:

An “Account” means any registered user profile established to access or use Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD’s websites, online services, author portals, customer portals, digital libraries, publishing platforms, subscription services, or other Company offerings.

2.2 “Affiliate”

“Affiliate” means any entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

2.3 “Author”

“Author” means any individual or legal entity that submits, licenses, publishes, distributes, edits, or otherwise provides written, visual, audio, multimedia, or other creative works to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD for consideration, publication, distribution, marketing, licensing, or related publishing services.

2.4 “Content”

“Content” includes all text, manuscripts, books, articles, graphics, photographs, illustrations, artwork, logos, trademarks, service marks, audio recordings, video recordings, software, databases, metadata, source code, designs, layouts, templates, digital files, downloadable materials, educational resources, and all other materials made available through the Services, regardless of format.

2.5 “Digital Products”

“Digital Products” include, without limitation, e-books, audiobooks, PDFs, downloadable files, online courses, software, templates, databases, digital memberships, subscriptions, licenses, streaming media, and other electronically delivered products or services.

2.6 “Intellectual Property”

“Intellectual Property” or “IP” includes copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade dress, patents, patent applications, trade secrets, know-how, proprietary methodologies, databases, software, source code, algorithms, business methods, branding, logos, domain names, moral rights (where applicable), and all other proprietary rights recognized under applicable law.

2.7 “Manuscript”

A “Manuscript” means any written, illustrated, graphic, audio, digital, or multimedia work submitted by an Author for editing, evaluation, publication, production, distribution, licensing, or any other publishing-related service.

2.8 “Platform”

“Platform” means every website, mobile application, online portal, software application, marketplace, digital storefront, author dashboard, publishing system, or technology operated, owned, licensed, or controlled by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

2.9 “Publishing Services”

“Publishing Services” include any services offered by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD relating to the preparation, production, publication, licensing, distribution, sale, marketing, promotion, editing, formatting, cover design, metadata creation, ISBN management, copyright assistance, printing, audiobook production, translation, consulting, education, or related publishing activities.

2.10 “Services”

“Services” means all products, services, technologies, software, applications, platforms, publishing programs, educational offerings, customer support, and related resources provided by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, whether currently existing or developed in the future.

2.11 “Submission”

A “Submission” means any manuscript, proposal, query, business idea, suggestion, comment, review, testimonial, feedback, artwork, file, document, or other material voluntarily submitted to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD by any individual or entity.

2.12 “User”

A “User” means any individual or legal entity that accesses, browses, visits, purchases from, creates an Account with, submits materials to, or otherwise uses any Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD Service or Platform.

2.13 “User-Generated Content” or “UGC”

“User-Generated Content” or “UGC” means any content created or submitted by Users, including reviews, ratings, comments, testimonials, forum posts, images, videos, audio recordings, discussions, feedback, or other publicly or privately submitted materials.

2.14 “Website”

“Website” means any internet domain, subdomain, webpage, microsite, landing page, or online property owned, operated, licensed, or controlled by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

2.15 “Writing Services”

“Writing Services” include editorial reviews, developmental editing, copyediting, proofreading, ghostwriting, manuscript critiques, formatting, book coaching, consulting, and other writing-related professional services offered by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

2.16 Interpretation

Unless the context requires otherwise:

- Words in the singular include the plural, and words in the plural include the singular.
- References to one gender include all genders.
- The words “including,” “includes,” and “include” mean “including, without limitation.”
- References to laws or regulations include any amendments, replacements, or successor laws.
- Section headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of these Terms.

3. SECTION 3: USER ACCOUNTS, REGISTRATION, IDENTITY VERIFICATION, AND SECURITY

3.1 Account Registration

Certain Services offered by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD require the creation of a registered Account. By creating an Account, you agree to provide complete, accurate, current, and truthful information and to promptly update such information whenever it changes. Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to refuse registration, deny access, or limit the availability of any Account at its sole discretion and in accordance with applicable law.

3.2 Accuracy of Information

You represent and warrant that all information submitted to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is accurate, complete, and not misleading. You agree not to:

- create an Account using false or misleading information;
- impersonate another individual or entity;
- use another person's identity without authorization;
- create Accounts through automated means;
- maintain multiple Accounts for fraudulent, deceptive, or abusive purposes.

Providing false or misleading information may result in immediate suspension or termination of your Account.

3.3 Account Security

You are solely responsible for maintaining the confidentiality and security of your:

- username;
- password;
- authentication credentials;
- recovery information; and
- all activities occurring under your Account.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is not responsible for losses resulting from your failure to protect your login credentials.

3.4 Unauthorized Access

You agree to notify Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD immediately upon becoming aware of:

- unauthorized use of your Account;
- unauthorized access to your credentials;
- suspected identity theft;
- security breaches affecting your Account; or
- any other activity that could compromise the security of the Services.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to suspend access while investigating suspected unauthorized activity.

3.5 Identity Verification

To protect the integrity of our Services and comply with applicable legal obligations, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may require reasonable identity verification before providing certain Services, processing payments, entering into publishing agreements, issuing royalty payments, or responding to requests involving sensitive account information. Failure or refusal to complete requested verification may result in delays, suspension, denial of Services, or cancellation of transactions where permitted by law.

3.6 Electronic Communications

By creating an Account or using the Services, you consent to receive communications electronically, including:

- account notifications;
- invoices;
- receipts;
- publishing updates;
- royalty notices;
- legal notices;
- security alerts;
- policy updates; and
- customer service communications.

Electronic communications satisfy any legal requirement that such communications be provided in writing, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

3.7 Account Suspension and Termination

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to suspend, restrict, disable, or terminate any Account, temporarily or permanently, when it reasonably determines that:

- these Terms have been violated;
- fraudulent or deceptive activity is suspected;
- unauthorized access has occurred;
- the security of the Platform is threatened;
- applicable laws or regulations require such action; or
- continued access presents a risk to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, its Users, Authors, employees, contractors, partners, or business operations.

Where appropriate, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may investigate suspected violations before taking action. Nothing in this Agreement obligates Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to provide advance notice where immediate action is reasonably necessary to protect the Services or comply with legal obligations.

3.8 Account Closure

You may request closure of your Account at any time by following the procedures established by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD. Closure of an Account does not:

- cancel outstanding financial obligations;
- terminate executed publishing agreements;
- eliminate royalty accounting obligations;
- affect licenses previously granted;
- remove legal obligations that survive termination; or
- require Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to delete records it is legally required or permitted to retain.

3.9 Fraud Prevention

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to investigate suspected fraud, payment irregularities, intellectual property violations, unauthorized transactions, or other unlawful conduct involving the Services.

To protect the Platform and its users, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may:

- verify information associated with transactions;
- delay or decline suspicious orders;
- cancel fraudulent purchases;
- restrict Account activity;
- cooperate with financial institutions, payment processors, insurers, and law enforcement agencies; and
- take any other lawful action reasonably necessary to protect the Company and its users.

3.10 No Sale or Transfer of Accounts

Unless expressly authorized in writing by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, Accounts are personal to the registered User and may not be sold, assigned, transferred, leased, sublicensed, shared for commercial purposes, or otherwise made available to another individual or entity.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may suspend or terminate any Account transferred or used in violation of this Section.

SECTION 4

Publishing Services & Author Relationships

4.1 Publishing Services

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) provides a variety of publishing-related services, which may include, but are not limited to:

- Manuscript evaluations;
- Editorial assessments;
- Developmental editing;
- Copyediting and proofreading;
- Interior formatting and book design;
- Cover design and artwork coordination;
- ISBN assignment and metadata preparation;
- Copyright registration assistance;
- Print production;
- eBook production;
- Audiobook production;
- Distribution services;
- Marketing and promotional services;
- Author education and consulting; and

- Other publishing-related services offered by PBY from time to time.
- The availability of any particular service shall be determined solely by PBY.

4.2 Submission of Manuscripts

Authors may submit manuscripts, proposals, or other creative works for consideration through procedures established by PBY.

Submission of a manuscript or proposal does **not**:

- create a publishing agreement;
- obligate PBY to review the submission;
- obligate PBY to publish the work;
- create an agency relationship;
- guarantee editorial feedback; or
- guarantee acceptance for publication.

4.3 Editorial Discretion

Publishing decisions remain solely within the professional judgment and editorial discretion of PBY.

PBY reserves the right to:

- accept or reject any submission;
- discontinue consideration of a submission;
- request revisions;
- recommend editorial changes;
- decline publication for legal, ethical, business, quality, or operational reasons; or
- withdraw an offer before execution of a formal publishing agreement.

Nothing contained in these Terms shall be interpreted as creating a right to publication.

4.4 Separate Publishing Agreements

If PBY elects to publish a work, the relationship between PBY and the Author shall be governed by a separate written Publishing Agreement.

That agreement may address matters including:

- publishing rights;
- licensing;

- royalties;
- distribution;
- editorial responsibilities;
- production schedules;
- marketing;
- termination;
- reversion of rights; and
- other business terms.

If any provision of an executed Publishing Agreement conflicts with these Terms, the Publishing Agreement shall control with respect to the published work.

4.5 Author Warranties

Authors submitting manuscripts or other materials represent and warrant that:

- they own or control all rights necessary to submit the work;
- the work is original except where properly licensed or attributed;
- publication of the work will not knowingly infringe the intellectual property rights of any third party;
- the work does not knowingly contain unlawful defamatory material;
- the work does not knowingly violate rights of privacy or publicity; and
- the Author has the legal authority to enter into any publishing agreement concerning the submitted work.

4.6 Author Responsibility

Authors remain solely responsible for the factual accuracy, legality, originality, and content of their submitted materials.

Unless expressly agreed in writing, PBY does not independently verify every factual statement, citation, quotation, or legal claim contained within submitted works.

4.7 Editorial Services

Editorial recommendations provided by PBY are intended to improve clarity, readability, and presentation.

Acceptance or rejection of editorial recommendations remains subject to the terms of any applicable Publishing Agreement.

Editorial services do not constitute legal, financial, tax, medical, or other professional advice.

4.8 ISBNs and Metadata

Where applicable, PBY may obtain or assign International Standard Book Numbers (ISBNs), prepare bibliographic metadata, product descriptions, keywords, and classification information.

Assignment of an ISBN or preparation of metadata does not alter ownership of intellectual property unless otherwise stated in a separate written agreement.

4.9 Distribution

PBY may distribute published works through its own platforms and through third-party distributors, wholesalers, retailers, libraries, educational institutions, digital marketplaces, audiobook providers, and international distribution partners.

Distribution channels, retail availability, geographic markets, and pricing may change at any time without prior notice.

PBY does not guarantee placement with any specific retailer, marketplace, distributor, bookstore, or library.

4.10 Marketing and Promotion

PBY may, at its discretion, provide marketing, promotional, publicity, or educational opportunities related to published works.

Unless expressly stated in a separate written agreement, PBY does not guarantee:

- bestseller status;
- sales volume;
- media coverage;
- speaking engagements;
- bookstore placement;
- reviews;
- awards;
- rankings; or
- commercial success.

4.11 Royalties

Royalty obligations, accounting methods, payment schedules, reserves, deductions, reporting procedures, and related financial matters shall be governed exclusively by the applicable Publishing Agreement or Royalty Agreement.

Nothing in these Terms creates an independent right to royalties.

4.12 Author Copies

Complimentary copies, discounted copies, wholesale pricing, and author purchase programs, if offered, shall be governed by the applicable Publishing Agreement or separate written policy.

4.13 Unsolicited Submissions

Unless specifically requested by PBY, unsolicited manuscripts, business proposals, creative ideas, marketing concepts, product suggestions, or other materials are submitted voluntarily and at the sender's own risk.

Except as otherwise required by law, PBY assumes no obligation to:

- review unsolicited submissions;
- maintain confidentiality regarding unsolicited materials;
- return submitted materials; or
- compensate the sender unless a separate written agreement has been executed.

4.14 Reservation of Publishing Rights

PBY reserves the right to determine, in its sole business judgment and consistent with applicable law:

- which publishing services to offer;
- which manuscripts to accept or reject;
- which markets to serve;
- which distribution channels to utilize; and
- which publishing opportunities to pursue or discontinue.

Nothing in these Terms obligates PBY to publish, distribute, market, or continue offering any particular service or product.

SECTION 5

Intellectual Property, Copyright, Licensing, Artificial Intelligence, and User Content

5.1 Ownership of Intellectual Property

Except where expressly provided otherwise in a separate written agreement, all intellectual property associated with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”), including its websites, software, databases, business methods, branding, logos, trade dress, layouts, graphics, photographs, audio, video, text, educational materials, metadata, designs, source code, documentation, digital products, and other proprietary materials, is owned by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, its licensors, or the respective rights holders.

Such materials are protected by the copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, and other intellectual property laws of the United States and applicable international treaties.

5.2 Limited License

Subject to your compliance with these Terms, PBY grants you a limited, personal, revocable, non-exclusive, non-transferable, and non-sublicensable license to access and use the Services solely for their intended lawful purposes.

This license does not transfer ownership of any intellectual property.

5.3 Restrictions on Use

Unless expressly authorized in writing by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, you may not:

- reproduce;
- duplicate;
- publish;
- distribute;
- modify;
- translate;
- create derivative works;
- publicly display;
- publicly perform;
- license;
- sublicense;
- rent;

- lease;
- sell;
- assign;
- exploit commercially; or
- otherwise use any PBY intellectual property beyond the rights expressly granted by these Terms.

5.4 Author Ownership

Except as otherwise provided in a separately executed Publishing Agreement or written license, Authors retain ownership of the intellectual property rights in their original manuscripts and creative works.

Nothing in these Terms transfers ownership of an Author's copyright to PBY.

5.5 Licenses Granted by Authors

Where an Author enters into a Publishing Agreement or grants rights to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, the scope of those rights shall be governed exclusively by that written agreement.

No publishing rights shall be implied solely because a manuscript has been submitted for consideration.

5.6 User-Generated Content

By submitting reviews, comments, testimonials, photographs, videos, forum posts, suggestions, ratings, or other User-Generated Content ("UGC") through the Services, you grant Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD a worldwide, perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free, transferable, sublicensable, and non-exclusive license to:

- use;
- reproduce;
- display;
- distribute;
- modify;
- adapt;
- publish;
- translate;
- archive;

- promote; and
- otherwise utilize such content in any media now known or later developed, for lawful business purposes.

You represent that you possess all rights necessary to grant this license.

5.7 Feedback

If you voluntarily submit ideas, recommendations, product suggestions, feature requests, business concepts, editorial suggestions, or other feedback, you acknowledge that Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may use such feedback without restriction, attribution, or compensation unless otherwise agreed in writing.

5.8 Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Restrictions

Without the prior written consent of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, no person or entity may use any portion of the Services or Content for:

- artificial intelligence training;
- machine learning training;
- foundation models;
- large language models (LLMs);
- generative AI systems;
- embeddings;
- vector databases;
- retrieval-augmented generation (RAG);
- synthetic dataset creation;
- automated summarization;
- automated translation;
- algorithmic model development;
- text mining;
- data mining;
- web scraping;
- automated crawling; or
- any substantially similar technology.

This prohibition applies regardless of whether access occurs through a browser, application programming interface (API), automated software, scraping technology, or any other technical means.

5.9 Automated Access

You may not use bots, robots, spiders, scrapers, crawlers, automated scripts, or other automated systems to access, monitor, copy, download, harvest, or index any portion of the Services without the prior written authorization of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

5.10 Digital Rights Management

You agree not to circumvent, disable, remove, interfere with, decrypt, reverse engineer, or otherwise compromise any digital rights management (DRM), encryption, watermarking, authentication, licensing, or security technologies utilized by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD or its licensors.

5.11 Copyright Infringement

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD respects the intellectual property rights of others and expects all users to do the same.

Users may not upload, distribute, publish, or otherwise provide materials that infringe the copyrights, trademarks, patents, trade secrets, or other proprietary rights of any third party.

5.12 Repeat Infringer Policy

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to suspend or terminate the accounts of users who repeatedly violate the intellectual property rights of others or who repeatedly submit infringing materials.

5.13 Copyright Complaints (DMCA)

If you believe that material available through the Services infringes your copyright, you may submit a written notice containing substantially the information required under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (17 U.S.C. § 512).

Upon receipt of a valid notice, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may remove or disable access to the allegedly infringing material while the matter is investigated.

Users who believe material was removed in error may submit a lawful counter-notification where permitted by applicable law.

Complete copyright reporting procedures, designated agent information, and counter-notification requirements will be maintained in Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD's Copyright Policy.

5.14 Reservation of Rights

Except for the limited licenses expressly granted under these Terms or under a separate written agreement, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves all intellectual property rights.

No provision of these Terms shall be interpreted as granting ownership, assignment, or additional licensing rights by implication, estoppel, or otherwise.

SECTION 6

User Representations and Warranties

6.1 Authority

You represent and warrant that you have the full legal right, power, and authority to enter into these Terms and to perform your obligations under them.

If you are entering into these Terms on behalf of a business, organization, or other legal entity, you represent and warrant that you have authority to bind that entity.

6.2 Legal Capacity

You represent and warrant that you are at least the age of majority in your jurisdiction and are legally capable of entering into a binding agreement.

If you are using the Services on behalf of a minor where permitted by applicable law, you represent that you are the minor's parent or legal guardian.

6.3 Accuracy of Information

You represent and warrant that all information you provide to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD ("PBY") is accurate, current, complete, and not misleading.

You agree to promptly update your information if it changes.

6.4 Ownership of Submitted Content

You represent and warrant that any manuscript, artwork, photograph, illustration, audio recording, video, review, comment, metadata, or other content you submit:

- is owned by you or properly licensed to you;
- does not infringe the rights of any third party;
- does not violate any copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, privacy, publicity, or contractual right;
- is not defamatory, unlawful, fraudulent, or misleading; and
- may lawfully be submitted to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

6.5 Permissions

You represent and warrant that you have obtained all permissions, licenses, releases, and consents necessary for any third-party content included within your submission.

6.6 Compliance with Law

You agree to comply with all applicable local, state, federal, and international laws and regulations in connection with your use of the Services.

6.7 No Unauthorized AI Training

You represent and warrant that you will not use Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD content, metadata, digital files, or Services to train, improve, benchmark, evaluate, or develop artificial intelligence systems except as expressly authorized in writing by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

6.8 Continuing Representations

The representations and warranties contained in this Section are deemed continuing representations and remain true throughout your use of the Services.

If any representation becomes inaccurate, you agree to promptly notify Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD where such notice is reasonably necessary.

SECTION 7

Purchases, Payments, Pricing, Taxes, Shipping, Refunds, and Subscriptions

7.1 General Purchases

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) offers physical products, digital products, publishing services, professional services, educational resources, subscriptions, memberships, and other goods and services for purchase.

All purchases are subject to these Terms and any additional terms applicable to the specific product or service purchased.

7.2 Pricing

All prices are displayed in the currency designated by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD at the time of purchase.

Prices, discounts, promotions, availability, product descriptions, specifications, and service offerings are subject to change at any time without prior notice.

PBY reserves the right to correct typographical errors, pricing inaccuracies, calculation errors, or other mistakes, even after an order has been submitted or payment has been authorized.

7.3 Orders

Submission of an order does not constitute acceptance of that order.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to:

- refuse any order;
- limit purchase quantities;
- require additional verification;
- decline transactions;
- cancel orders;
- discontinue products or services; or
- refuse service where permitted by applicable law.

If payment has already been collected for an order that is cancelled by PBY, an appropriate refund will be issued unless otherwise permitted by law or by the applicable agreement.

7.4 Payment Authorization

By submitting payment information, you represent and warrant that:

- you are authorized to use the selected payment method;
- the billing information provided is accurate;
- sufficient funds or credit are available; and
- you authorize Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD and its payment processors to charge all applicable amounts associated with your purchase.

7.5 Payment Processors

Payments may be processed through independent third-party payment processors.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not store complete payment card information unless expressly disclosed.

Your use of third-party payment services may also be governed by the terms and privacy policies of those providers.

7.6 Taxes

Unless expressly stated otherwise, all applicable taxes—including sales tax, value-added tax (VAT), goods and services tax (GST), customs duties, import taxes, and similar governmental charges—are the responsibility of the purchaser.

Where required by law, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD will collect and remit applicable taxes.

7.7 Shipping and Delivery

Estimated shipping and delivery dates are provided for convenience only.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not guarantee delivery dates unless expressly stated in writing.

Shipping delays caused by carriers, customs authorities, weather conditions, governmental actions, labor disruptions, force majeure events, or other circumstances beyond PBY's reasonable control are not the responsibility of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Risk of loss and title to physical products pass in accordance with applicable law and the shipping terms associated with the purchase.

7.8 Digital Products

Digital products are generally delivered electronically.

Upon successful delivery or access, digital products are considered received.

Except where prohibited by law or otherwise stated in writing, purchases of digital products are final and non-refundable once access has been provided.

7.9 Publishing and Professional Services

Fees paid for publishing services, editorial services, consulting, coaching, design, formatting, metadata preparation, ISBN services, marketing services, or other professional services may be governed by separate written agreements.

Unless otherwise provided in a separate written agreement or required by law, service fees are non-refundable after work has commenced.

7.10 Subscription Services

Certain Services may be offered on a recurring subscription basis.

By enrolling in a subscription, you authorize Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD or its payment processor to automatically charge your designated payment method at the recurring interval disclosed at the time of enrollment until the subscription is cancelled.

You may cancel future renewals in accordance with the cancellation procedures applicable to your subscription.

Cancellation does not entitle you to refunds for billing periods already commenced unless required by applicable law.

7.11 Membership Programs

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may offer membership programs providing access to exclusive content, educational resources, author communities, discounts, events, or other benefits.

Membership benefits, eligibility, pricing, renewal terms, and cancellation procedures are subject to the specific program terms published by PBY.

7.12 Promotional Offers

From time to time, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may offer promotional pricing, coupons, discounts, complimentary products, bundled offerings, or other special promotions.

Unless expressly stated otherwise:

- promotions have no cash value;
- promotions may not be combined;
- promotions may be modified or discontinued at any time; and
- promotions are subject to availability.

7.13 Refund Policy

Refund eligibility varies depending upon the product or service purchased.

Unless otherwise required by applicable law or expressly stated in a separate written policy:

- Digital products are non-refundable after access or download.
- Publishing services are non-refundable once work has begun.
- Professional consulting services are non-refundable after the scheduled service has been provided.
- Physical products may qualify for replacement or refund if received damaged, defective, or materially different from the product ordered, subject to PBY's published return procedures.

Additional refund terms may be published separately and incorporated into these Terms by reference.

7.14 Chargebacks

If a customer initiates an improper chargeback or payment dispute after receiving products or services, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to:

- suspend or terminate access to Services;
- recover amounts lawfully owed;
- assess reasonable administrative costs where permitted by law;
- delay future purchases; and
- pursue any other remedies available under applicable law.

Nothing in this section limits a customer's right to dispute unauthorized or fraudulent charges in accordance with applicable law.

7.15 Reservation of Commercial Rights

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to modify pricing, discontinue products or services, limit quantities, revise subscription offerings, establish purchasing limits, and introduce new commercial programs at any time, subject to applicable law and existing contractual obligations.

SECTION 8

Acceptable Use, Prohibited Conduct, Platform Security, and Fraud Prevention

8.1 Lawful Use

You agree to access and use Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) Services only for lawful purposes and in accordance with these Terms, all applicable laws, regulations, court orders, and governmental requirements.

You are solely responsible for your conduct while using the Services.

8.2 Acceptable Use

You agree to use the Services in a manner that:

- respects the rights of other users;
- protects the integrity and security of the Platform;
- complies with applicable intellectual property laws;
- complies with applicable privacy laws;
- does not interfere with normal Platform operations; and
- does not damage the reputation or lawful business interests of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

8.3 Prohibited Conduct

You shall not directly or indirectly:

- violate any applicable law or regulation;
- infringe intellectual property rights;
- upload or distribute unlawful, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading content;
- impersonate another person or organization;
- submit false publishing information;
- create fraudulent accounts;
- interfere with Platform operations;
- bypass authentication systems;
- circumvent security controls;
- attempt unauthorized access to systems or accounts;
- transmit malware, ransomware, spyware, viruses, worms, Trojan horses, or other malicious code;
- introduce harmful software or scripts;
- engage in phishing or social engineering;
- interfere with another user's access to the Services;
- harvest personal information without authorization;
- use the Services to commit fraud or financial crimes;
- exploit vulnerabilities;
- disrupt servers or networks; or
- encourage or assist another person to engage in prohibited conduct.

8.4 Platform Security

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD employs technical, administrative, and operational safeguards designed to protect its Services.

You agree not to:

- probe security vulnerabilities;
- perform penetration testing without written authorization;
- circumvent access controls;
- interfere with authentication mechanisms;
- decrypt protected systems;
- reverse engineer security features;
- overload network infrastructure; or
- engage in activities that impair the availability or integrity of the Services.

8.5 Automated Access

Except as expressly authorized in writing, you may not use:

- bots;
- robots;
- spiders;
- scrapers;
- automated scripts;
- indexing software;
- harvesting tools;
- monitoring tools;
- artificial intelligence agents;
- autonomous software; or
- other automated technologies

to access or interact with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD Services.

8.6 Fraud Prevention

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to investigate suspected fraud, abuse, unauthorized activity, payment irregularities, identity theft, account misuse, intellectual property violations, or other unlawful conduct.

Where appropriate and permitted by law, PBY may:

- suspend accounts;
- delay transactions;
- request additional verification;
- cancel orders;
- remove content;
- preserve evidence;
- cooperate with payment processors;
- cooperate with financial institutions;
- cooperate with governmental authorities; and
- pursue all available legal remedies.

8.7 Monitoring

To protect the integrity, security, and operation of the Services, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may monitor the use of its Platform to the extent permitted by applicable law.

Nothing in these Terms obligates PBY to actively monitor all user activity or user-submitted content.

8.8 Content Removal

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right, but assumes no obligation, to remove, restrict, edit, disable, or refuse access to any content, account, submission, review, or other material that PBY reasonably believes:

- violates these Terms;
- infringes intellectual property rights;
- violates applicable law;
- threatens Platform security;
- contains malicious software;
- exposes PBY to legal liability; or
- is otherwise inconsistent with the lawful operation of the Services.

8.9 Investigations

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may investigate suspected violations of these Terms.

Users agree to cooperate reasonably with lawful investigations relating to their use of the Services.

Failure to cooperate may result in suspension or termination of access where permitted by applicable law.

8.10 Reporting Violations

Users are encouraged to report suspected:

- copyright infringement;
- trademark infringement;
- fraud;
- security vulnerabilities;
- impersonation;
- abusive conduct; or
- other violations of these Terms

through the reporting procedures established by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

8.11 Enforcement

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to enforce these Terms using any lawful means available, including:

- account suspension;
- account termination;
- removal of content;
- denial of Services;
- cancellation of transactions;
- referral to law enforcement;
- civil legal action; and
- any other remedy available under applicable law.

Failure by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to enforce any provision of these Terms on one occasion shall not constitute a waiver of its right to enforce that provision or any other provision in the future.

SECTION 9

Privacy, Data Collection, Electronic Communications, and International Data Transfers

9.1 Privacy Policy

Your privacy is important to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”).

Our collection, use, disclosure, storage, retention, and protection of personal information are governed by our Privacy Policy, which is incorporated into these Terms by reference.

By accessing or using the Services, you acknowledge that you have read and understand the Privacy Policy.

9.2 Collection of Information

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may collect information that you voluntarily provide or that is collected automatically through your use of the Services.

Depending upon your interaction with the Services, information collected may include:

- contact information;
- account information;

- billing information;
- transaction history;
- publishing information;
- manuscript submissions;
- communications;
- technical information;
- device information;
- browser information;
- usage information; and
- other information described in the Privacy Policy.

9.3 Use of Information

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may use collected information for lawful business purposes, including:

- providing Services;
- processing purchases;
- administering Accounts;
- communicating with Users;
- providing customer support;
- fulfilling publishing agreements;
- processing royalty payments;
- improving products and Services;
- maintaining Platform security;
- detecting fraud;
- complying with legal obligations; and
- other purposes described in the Privacy Policy.

9.4 Electronic Communications

By creating an Account, submitting information, purchasing products, or otherwise using the Services, you consent to receive communications electronically.

Such communications may include:

- receipts;
- invoices;
- account notifications;
- security alerts;
- publishing updates;

- royalty notices;
- legal notices;
- policy changes;
- customer support communications; and
- other information relating to your relationship with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Electronic communications satisfy any legal requirement that communications be provided in writing to the extent permitted by applicable law.

9.5 Cookies and Similar Technologies

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may use cookies, pixels, local storage, analytics technologies, log files, and similar technologies to:

- authenticate users;
- remember preferences;
- improve functionality;
- analyze Platform performance;
- detect fraud;
- enhance security; and
- improve user experience.

Additional information regarding cookies and tracking technologies is available in the Privacy Policy or Cookie Policy.

9.6 International Data Transfers

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is headquartered in the United States.

If you access the Services from outside the United States, you acknowledge that your information may be transferred to, processed in, and stored within the United States or other jurisdictions where Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD or its service providers operate.

Those jurisdictions may have data protection laws that differ from those of your country.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD will process personal information in accordance with applicable law and its Privacy Policy.

9.7 Data Security

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD implements reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards designed to protect personal information.

However, no method of electronic transmission, cloud storage, or computer security can be guaranteed to be completely secure.

Accordingly, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not guarantee absolute security of information transmitted through or stored within the Services.

9.8 Third-Party Service Providers

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may engage trusted third-party service providers to assist with:

- payment processing;
- hosting;
- cloud storage;
- printing;
- shipping;
- analytics;
- customer support;
- marketing;
- publishing operations;
- communications; and
- other business functions.

Such providers may receive information only as reasonably necessary to perform services on behalf of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD and are expected to protect such information in accordance with applicable contractual and legal obligations.

9.9 Legal Disclosures

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may disclose information when it reasonably believes disclosure is necessary to:

- comply with applicable law;
- comply with legal process;
- respond to lawful governmental requests;
- protect the rights or property of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD;
- protect Users or the public;
- investigate fraud;
- enforce these Terms; or
- prevent illegal activity.

9.10 Data Retention

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD retains information for as long as reasonably necessary to:

- provide the Services;
- fulfill contractual obligations;
- comply with legal requirements;
- resolve disputes;
- enforce agreements;
- maintain business records; or
- pursue legitimate business purposes.

Retention periods may vary depending upon applicable law and the nature of the information.

9.11 Marketing Communications

Where permitted by applicable law, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may send promotional or marketing communications regarding products, services, publications, educational resources, events, or special offers.

Users may opt out of promotional communications by following the unsubscribe instructions included in the communication or by contacting Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Opting out of marketing communications does not prevent Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD from sending transactional, legal, security, or account-related communications.

9.12 Privacy Rights

Depending upon your jurisdiction, you may have certain legal rights regarding your personal information.

Requests relating to applicable privacy rights may be submitted using the contact information identified in the Privacy Policy.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD will respond to such requests as required by applicable law.

SECTION 10

Third-Party Services, External Links, Integrations, and Marketplace Providers

10.1 Third-Party Services

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) may make available, integrate with, or rely upon third-party products, services, software, platforms, applications, marketplaces, payment processors, distributors, printers, shipping providers, cloud service providers, analytics providers, or other vendors (“Third-Party Services”) in connection with the Services.

The availability of any Third-Party Service does not constitute an endorsement, sponsorship, certification, partnership, or guarantee by PBY unless expressly stated in writing.

10.2 Independent Providers

Third-Party Services are owned and operated by independent entities.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not control the policies, practices, availability, security, pricing, performance, or operations of Third-Party Services.

Your relationship with any Third-Party Service is solely between you and the applicable provider.

10.3 Third-Party Terms

Your use of Third-Party Services may be governed by separate terms of service, license agreements, privacy policies, or other legal agreements established by the applicable provider.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD encourages you to review those agreements before using any Third-Party Service.

10.4 External Links

The Services may contain links to websites, applications, social media platforms, online marketplaces, educational resources, advertisers, or other online destinations that are not owned or controlled by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Such links are provided solely for convenience.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not warrant or assume responsibility for the content, accuracy, legality, security, products, services, or practices of any third-party website or resource.

Access to third-party websites is at your own risk.

10.5 Payment Providers

Payments processed through third-party payment processors are subject to the terms, conditions, and privacy policies of the applicable payment provider.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is not responsible for:

- payment processing delays;
- banking errors;
- declined transactions;
- financial institution actions;
- currency conversion fees;
- payment processor outages; or
- other issues arising from third-party payment systems beyond PBY's reasonable control.

10.6 Distribution Partners

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may distribute books, digital products, audiobooks, educational materials, or other content through third-party distributors, retailers, wholesalers, libraries, educational institutions, or online marketplaces.

PBY does not control:

- third-party pricing;
- inventory levels;
- retail availability;
- delivery schedules;
- merchandising decisions;
- promotional placement; or
- marketplace policies.

Availability through any third-party distribution channel may change without notice.

10.7 Third-Party Content

Content provided by third parties, including guest authors, reviewers, advertisers, educational partners, or other contributors, represents the views of those parties and not necessarily those of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, or reliability of third-party content.

10.8 Availability

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not guarantee the continued availability of any Third-Party Service, integration, distributor, retailer, marketplace, application, plugin, software provider, hosting provider, or external resource.

PBY reserves the right to add, remove, replace, or discontinue third-party relationships at any time.

10.9 No Liability for Third Parties

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD shall not be liable for any loss, damage, delay, interruption, data loss, security incident, privacy issue, service failure, product defect, or other claim arising from or relating to Third-Party Services or third-party websites that are outside the reasonable control of PBY.

Nothing in this Section limits any non-waivable rights you may have under applicable law against the third-party provider.

10.10 Reservation of Rights

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion and subject to applicable law:

- which Third-Party Services to integrate with;
- which providers to engage or discontinue;
- which distribution channels to use;
- which marketplace relationships to establish or terminate; and
- which external resources to make available through the Services.

No User or Author acquires any right to the continued availability of a particular Third-Party Service, integration, marketplace, or distribution channel.

SECTION 11

Copyright Infringement, DMCA, and Intellectual Property Complaints

11.1 Respect for Intellectual Property

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) respects the intellectual property rights of authors, publishers, artists, creators, and other rights holders and expects Users to do the same.

11.2 Copyright Complaints

If you believe that material available through the Services infringes your copyright or other intellectual property rights, you may submit a written notice containing the information reasonably necessary for Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to evaluate your claim.

11.3 Designated Copyright Agent

Copyright notices should be directed to the Designated Copyright Agent identified in Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD’s Copyright Policy.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may update its designated agent from time to time by publishing revised contact information.

Where applicable, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may designate and maintain a copyright agent with the United States Copyright Office.

11.4 Required Information

A copyright complaint should include sufficient information to identify:

- the copyrighted work claimed to have been infringed;
- the allegedly infringing material;
- the location of the material;
- contact information for the complaining party;
- a statement of good-faith belief;
- a statement regarding the accuracy of the complaint; and
- any other information reasonably required under applicable law.

11.5 Counter-Notifications

Users whose content has been removed or disabled may submit a counter-notification where permitted by applicable law.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to evaluate any counter-notification before restoring content.

11.6 Repeat Infringers

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to suspend or terminate the Accounts of Users who repeatedly infringe the intellectual property rights of others, consistent with applicable law.

11.7 Other Intellectual Property

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may investigate complaints involving trademarks, patents, trade secrets, publicity rights, privacy rights, contractual rights, or other intellectual property rights and may take appropriate action where warranted.

11.8 Reservation of Rights

Nothing in this Section limits Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD's right to remove content, suspend Accounts, terminate Services, or pursue legal remedies where appropriate.

SECTION 12

Disclaimers of Warranties

12.1 General Disclaimer

TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE SERVICES, WEBSITES, PLATFORMS, SOFTWARE, DIGITAL PRODUCTS, PHYSICAL PRODUCTS, PUBLISHING SERVICES, EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS, BOOKS, AUDIOBOOKS, CONTENT, AND ALL OTHER PRODUCTS OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY PUBLISHING

BY YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) ARE PROVIDED ON AN “AS IS,” “AS AVAILABLE,” AND “WITH ALL FAULTS” BASIS.

YOUR USE OF THE SERVICES IS AT YOUR SOLE RISK.

12.2 Disclaimer of Warranties

TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, PUBLISHING BY YOUNGBLOOD EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES AND CONDITIONS, WHETHER EXPRESS, IMPLIED, STATUTORY, OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION:

- implied warranties of merchantability;
- fitness for a particular purpose;
- title;
- quiet enjoyment;
- non-infringement;
- accuracy;
- completeness;
- reliability;
- availability;
- compatibility; and
- any warranties arising from course of dealing, course of performance, or usage of trade.

12.3 No Guarantee of Availability

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not warrant that the Services will:

- operate without interruption;
- be continuously available;
- be error-free;
- be free from defects;
- be compatible with every device or operating system;
- meet every User’s expectations; or
- remain available indefinitely.

Maintenance, upgrades, technical issues, cyber incidents, internet outages, third-party failures, or circumstances beyond PBY’s reasonable control may interrupt access.

12.4 Publishing Services Disclaimer

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not guarantee:

- acceptance of any manuscript;
- publication of any submitted work;
- editorial approval;
- distribution through any retailer;
- bookstore placement;
- library placement;
- commercial success;
- bestseller status;
- media coverage;
- reviews;
- awards;
- royalties;
- profitability; or
- any specific publishing outcome.

Publishing decisions remain solely within the professional discretion of PBY unless otherwise provided in a separate written agreement.

12.5 Educational Content Disclaimer

Books, articles, educational resources, presentations, webinars, courses, podcasts, interviews, and other informational materials published or distributed by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD are provided solely for educational and informational purposes.

They are not intended to constitute legal, financial, accounting, investment, tax, medical, psychological, engineering, or other professional advice.

Users should consult qualified professionals before making decisions based upon published materials.

12.6 Third-Party Content Disclaimer

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not warrant the accuracy, completeness, legality, or reliability of information supplied by Authors, advertisers, reviewers, guest contributors, distributors, or other third parties.

Opinions expressed by Authors or contributors are their own and do not necessarily reflect the views of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

12.7 Technology Disclaimer

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD does not warrant that the Services will be free from:

- viruses;
- malware;
- spyware;
- ransomware;
- unauthorized access;
- cyberattacks;
- data corruption;
- transmission failures; or
- other technological risks.

Users are responsible for implementing appropriate security measures, including antivirus software, backups, and reasonable cybersecurity practices.

12.8 Results Disclaimer

Any examples, testimonials, case studies, success stories, sales figures, publishing achievements, educational outcomes, or financial information presented by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD are illustrative only.

Individual results vary significantly based upon numerous factors beyond the control of PBY.

Past performance or prior success does not guarantee future results.

12.9 Louisiana Disclaimer

To the fullest extent permitted under the laws of the State of Louisiana, including applicable provisions of the Louisiana Civil Code, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD disclaims all warranties that may lawfully be disclaimed.

Nothing in these Terms is intended to exclude, limit, or waive any warranty or legal protection that cannot lawfully be disclaimed under applicable Louisiana or federal law.

12.10 Consumer Rights

Some jurisdictions do not permit the exclusion of certain warranties or limitations on statutory consumer rights.

Accordingly, certain disclaimers contained in this Section may not apply to particular Users to the extent prohibited by applicable law.

In such jurisdictions, these disclaimers shall apply only to the maximum extent permitted by law.

12.11 Reservation of Rights

Except for those warranties expressly stated in a separate written agreement executed by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, no employee, representative, contractor, distributor, reseller, or other person has authority to modify, expand, or create warranties on behalf of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

No oral statement, advertisement, promotional material, or course of dealing shall create any warranty not expressly set forth in a written agreement signed by an authorized representative of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

SECTION 13

Limitation of Liability

13.1 Scope of Limitation

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”), together with its parent entities, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, managers, employees, contractors, agents, licensors, suppliers, service providers, successors, and assigns, shall not be liable for any damages except as expressly required by applicable law.

13.2 Excluded Damages

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD shall not be liable for any indirect, incidental, consequential, special, exemplary, punitive, or enhanced damages arising out of or relating to:

- your access to or use of the Services;
- your inability to access or use the Services;
- publishing decisions;
- manuscript submissions;
- transactions conducted through the Platform;

- delays in performance;
- interruptions of service;
- data loss;
- corruption of data;
- cyber incidents;
- unauthorized access;
- third-party services;
- lost profits;
- lost revenue;
- lost business opportunities;
- loss of goodwill; or
- any other commercial or economic loss,

whether based in contract, tort (including negligence where permitted by law), strict liability, statute, or any other legal theory, even if Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD has been advised of the possibility of such damages.

13.3 No Liability for Third Parties

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD shall not be responsible for acts, omissions, products, services, content, systems, delays, or failures of:

- third-party payment processors;
- shipping carriers;
- distributors;
- retailers;
- marketplaces;
- cloud service providers;
- internet service providers;
- hosting providers;
- telecommunications providers;
- governmental authorities; or
- other independent third parties beyond PBY's reasonable control.

13.4 User Responsibility

You acknowledge and agree that you are solely responsible for:

- your use of the Services;
- decisions made based upon published materials;
- safeguarding your Account;

- maintaining backups of your own data and manuscripts;
- compliance with applicable law; and
- protecting your own devices, software, and information systems.

13.5 Aggregate Liability Cap

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the total cumulative liability of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD arising out of or relating to these Terms, the Services, or any related transaction shall not exceed the greater of:

- 1. One Hundred United States Dollars (US \$100.00); or**
- 2. The total amount actually paid by you directly to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD for the specific product or service giving rise to the claim during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the event giving rise to the claim.**

This limitation applies regardless of the number of claims asserted.

13.6 Exclusive Remedy

Except where prohibited by applicable law, the remedies expressly provided in these Terms constitute your exclusive remedies with respect to claims arising out of or relating to the Services.

13.7 Basis of the Bargain

You acknowledge that the pricing of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD's products and services reflects the allocation of risk contained in these Terms.

The limitations of liability contained in this Section are a material part of the agreement between the parties and form an essential basis upon which Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD makes the Services available.

13.8 Time Limitation for Claims

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any claim or cause of action arising out of or relating to these Terms or the Services must be commenced within **one (1) year** after the claim arises or it shall be permanently barred.

This provision does not apply where a longer limitations period is required by applicable law.

13.9 Jurisdictional Limitations

Some jurisdictions do not permit the exclusion or limitation of certain damages or liabilities.

Accordingly, some of the limitations contained in this Section may not apply to certain Users to the extent prohibited by applicable law.

In those jurisdictions, the liability of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD shall be limited only to the maximum extent permitted by law.

13.10 Survival

The provisions of this Section shall survive the suspension, termination, expiration, cancellation, or completion of your relationship with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD and shall continue to apply to any claim arising from events occurring before or after termination, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

SECTION 14

Indemnification

14.1 Agreement to Indemnify

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, you agree to defend (where requested by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD), indemnify, and hold harmless Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”), together with its parent entities, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, managers, employees, contractors, agents, licensors, suppliers, successors, and assigns (collectively, the “Indemnified Parties”), from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, proceedings, investigations, liabilities, damages, judgments, settlements, penalties, fines, losses, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys’ fees and litigation costs, arising out of or relating to:

- your violation of these Terms;
- your misuse of the Services;
- your violation of applicable law;
- your negligence or wrongful conduct, where applicable;
- your infringement or alleged infringement of any intellectual property right;
- your violation of any privacy, publicity, confidentiality, or other legal right of another person or entity; or
- any content, manuscript, submission, review, or other material that you provide to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

14.2 Author Indemnification

If you submit a manuscript or other work for publication, you further agree to indemnify the Indemnified Parties against claims arising from or relating to:

- allegations of plagiarism;
- copyright infringement;
- trademark infringement;
- patent infringement;
- trade secret misappropriation;
- defamation or libel;
- invasion of privacy;
- violation of publicity rights;
- unlawful or misleading content;
- unauthorized use of third-party materials; or
- any breach of the warranties or representations you have made regarding your submitted work.

14.3 Defense of Claims

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right, at its own expense, to assume the exclusive defense and control of any matter subject to indemnification.

If PBY elects to do so, you agree to cooperate reasonably in the defense of the matter, including providing information, documents, and other assistance reasonably requested.

You may not settle any claim affecting an Indemnified Party without the prior written consent of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD if the settlement would impose obligations, admit liability, or otherwise affect the rights of an Indemnified Party.

14.4 Continuing Obligation

Your indemnification obligations apply regardless of whether a claim arises during or after your use of the Services and shall survive the suspension, termination, expiration, or completion of your relationship with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

14.5 No Limitation of Other Rights

The indemnification obligations contained in this Section are in addition to, and not in place of, any other legal or contractual rights or remedies available to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD under applicable law or under any separate written agreement.

14.6 Mitigation and Applicable Law

Nothing in this Section requires Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to seek indemnification beyond what is permitted by applicable law.

Likewise, nothing in this Section is intended to require you to indemnify Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD for matters that cannot legally be shifted to you under applicable law.

14.7 Survival

The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination, expiration, cancellation, or completion of these Terms and any related use of the Services, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

SECTION 15

Governing Law, Dispute Resolution, Arbitration, and Class Action Waiver

15.1 Governing Law

Except to the extent preempted by applicable federal law, these Terms and any dispute arising out of or relating to these Terms, the Services, or any transaction with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, without regard to its conflict-of-laws principles.

15.2 Good-Faith Resolution

Before initiating arbitration or litigation, the parties agree to make a good-faith effort to resolve the dispute informally.

A party asserting a claim shall provide written notice describing:

- the nature of the dispute;
- the factual basis of the claim;
- the relief requested; and

- supporting information reasonably sufficient for the other party to evaluate the claim.

Unless otherwise required by law or circumstances requiring immediate legal action, the parties will use reasonable efforts to resolve the dispute within **thirty (30) days** after receipt of the notice.

15.3 Agreement to Arbitrate

Except where prohibited by applicable law or otherwise expressly provided in these Terms, any dispute, claim, or controversy arising out of or relating to:

- these Terms;
 - the Services;
 - purchases;
 - publishing relationships;
 - licensing;
 - intellectual property licenses;
 - digital products; or
 - any other relationship between you and Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD
- shall be resolved through final and binding arbitration.

Unless the parties agree otherwise, arbitration shall be administered by the **American Arbitration Association (AAA)** in accordance with the applicable AAA rules in effect at the time the arbitration is commenced.

15.4 Arbitration Location

Unless otherwise required by applicable law or agreed by the parties:

- arbitration hearings shall be conducted in the State of Louisiana; or
- the arbitrator may permit remote or virtual proceedings where appropriate.

15.5 Arbitrator's Authority

The arbitrator shall have exclusive authority to resolve disputes regarding:

- interpretation of these Terms;
 - enforceability of the arbitration agreement;
 - scope of arbitration;
 - available remedies; and
 - any other issue properly submitted under the applicable arbitration rules,
- except where applicable law provides otherwise.

15.6 Injunctive Relief

Nothing in this Agreement prevents Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD from seeking temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions, permanent injunctions, or other equitable relief in any court of competent jurisdiction to protect:

- copyrights;
- trademarks;
- trade secrets;
- confidential information;
- proprietary technology;
- intellectual property; or
- other legal rights that could suffer irreparable harm pending arbitration.

Seeking such relief shall not constitute a waiver of the right to arbitrate other claims.

15.7 Class Action Waiver

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, you and Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD agree that any dispute shall be brought solely on an individual basis.

Neither party shall participate as:

- a class representative;
- a class member;
- a private attorney general; or
- a participant in any consolidated, collective, representative, or mass proceeding,

except where such a waiver is prohibited by applicable law.

15.8 Jury Trial Waiver

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law and for disputes not subject to arbitration, each party knowingly and voluntarily waives any right to a trial by jury.

15.9 International Users

If you reside outside the United States, disputes subject to arbitration may be administered under the applicable international arbitration procedures of the American Arbitration Association or another mutually agreed arbitration provider, where appropriate.

Any resulting arbitration award may be enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with applicable law, including, where applicable, the **Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (the New York Convention)**.

15.10 Small Claims

Nothing in this Agreement prevents either party from bringing an individual claim in a court of competent jurisdiction that is properly within the monetary and subject-matter jurisdiction of a small claims court, where such claims are eligible and where doing so is permitted by applicable law.

15.11 Attorneys 'Fees and Costs

Except as otherwise required by applicable law or awarded by the arbitrator or court, each party shall bear its own attorneys 'fees, expert fees, arbitration costs, court costs, and litigation expenses.

15.12 Survival

This Section shall survive the suspension, termination, expiration, cancellation, or completion of these Terms and shall continue to govern any dispute arising out of events occurring during the relationship between the parties.

SECTION 16

Export Controls and Economic Sanctions

16.1 Compliance with Export Laws

You agree to comply with all applicable export control laws, regulations, and trade restrictions of the United States and any other applicable jurisdiction in connection with your access to or use of the Services provided by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD ("PBY").

Nothing in these Terms authorizes any activity that would violate applicable export control laws or regulations.

16.2 Sanctioned Countries, Regions, and Persons

You represent and warrant that:

- you are not located in, ordinarily resident in, or organized under the laws of any country or region that is subject to comprehensive economic sanctions or trade embargoes applicable to the Services;
- you are not identified on any applicable government list of restricted or prohibited parties relevant to your use of the Services; and
- your use of the Services will not violate applicable economic sanctions or export control laws.

If these representations become inaccurate, you agree to notify Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD promptly if required to comply with applicable law.

16.3 Prohibited Exports and Transfers

You shall not export, re-export, transfer, transmit, provide access to, or otherwise make available any products, software, digital content, technology, or Services obtained from Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD in violation of applicable export control or sanctions laws.

16.4 Government Restrictions

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to deny, suspend, or terminate access to the Services where reasonably necessary to comply with:

- export control laws;
- economic sanctions;
- governmental orders;
- court orders;
- regulatory requirements; or
- other applicable legal obligations.

16.5 Changes in Law

Export control laws and sanctions programs may change over time.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to modify, suspend, or discontinue the availability of products or Services in particular jurisdictions as reasonably necessary to comply with changes in applicable law.

16.6 International Compliance

Users accessing the Services from outside the United States are responsible for complying with the laws applicable in their own jurisdictions, provided that nothing in this Section requires conduct that would conflict with applicable law.

16.7 Reservation of Rights

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves all rights to refuse, suspend, cancel, or limit transactions, Accounts, licenses, or Services where it reasonably determines such action is necessary to comply with applicable export control laws, economic sanctions, or other legal requirements.

SECTION 17

Force Majeure

17.1 Force Majeure Events

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”) shall not be liable for any delay, interruption, failure to perform, or inability to perform any obligation under these Terms to the extent such delay or failure results from events beyond PBY’s reasonable control (“Force Majeure Event”).

Force Majeure Events may include, without limitation:

- acts of God;
- hurricanes;
- tornadoes;
- floods;
- earthquakes;
- fires;
- lightning;
- severe weather events;
- epidemics;
- pandemics;
- public health emergencies;
- war;
- armed conflict;
- terrorism;
- civil unrest;

- riots;
- labor strikes or work stoppages;
- governmental actions or restrictions;
- court orders;
- embargoes;
- shortages of materials or supplies;
- transportation disruptions;
- shipping delays;
- utility failures;
- power outages;
- internet outages;
- telecommunications failures;
- cloud service disruptions;
- cyberattacks;
- ransomware incidents;
- denial-of-service attacks;
- failures of third-party service providers;
- failures of payment processors; or
- any other event beyond the reasonable control of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

17.2 Suspension of Performance

During the existence of a Force Majeure Event, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may suspend, delay, modify, or temporarily discontinue affected Services without liability to the extent reasonably necessary to respond to the event.

PBY will use commercially reasonable efforts to resume affected Services as circumstances permit.

17.3 No Breach

A delay or failure to perform resulting from a Force Majeure Event shall not constitute a breach of these Terms by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD, provided that PBY acts reasonably under the circumstances and resumes performance when reasonably practicable.

17.4 Third-Party Providers

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD shall not be responsible for delays or failures caused by independent third-party providers whose performance is affected by a Force Majeure Event, including payment processors, hosting providers, internet service providers, shipping carriers, printers, distributors, cloud providers, or other vendors.

17.5 Mitigation

Where reasonably practicable, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD will take commercially reasonable steps to reduce the impact of a Force Majeure Event and restore normal operations as soon as circumstances reasonably permit.

Nothing in this Section requires PBY to incur unreasonable expense or assume unreasonable risk in responding to a Force Majeure Event.

17.6 Customer Obligations

Force Majeure Events do not automatically relieve Users or Authors of payment obligations that accrued before the Force Majeure Event, unless otherwise required by applicable law or expressly agreed in writing.

17.7 Reservation of Rights

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves the right to modify operational procedures, fulfillment methods, publishing schedules, distribution methods, communication methods, and service availability during or following a Force Majeure Event as reasonably necessary to protect its personnel, customers, Authors, contractors, business operations, and legal obligations.

SECTION 18

General Legal Provisions

18.1 Entire Agreement

These Terms, together with any documents expressly incorporated by reference, including the Privacy Policy, Cookie Policy, Copyright Policy, Refund Policy, Author Guidelines, Publishing Agreements, Licensing Agreements, Royalty Agreements, and any other written agreements between you and Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD (“PBY”), constitute the entire agreement between the parties regarding the subject matter addressed herein.

These Terms supersede all prior or contemporaneous oral or written communications, understandings, representations, negotiations, or agreements relating to the same subject matter, except where a separate written agreement expressly provides otherwise.

18.2 Assignment

You may not assign, transfer, delegate, sublicense, or otherwise transfer your rights or obligations under these Terms without the prior written consent of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may assign or transfer its rights or obligations under these Terms, in whole or in part, in connection with a merger, acquisition, corporate reorganization, sale of assets, financing transaction, or by operation of law, or otherwise where permitted by applicable law.

Any attempted assignment in violation of this Section is void to the extent permitted by applicable law.

18.3 No Waiver

The failure or delay of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD to exercise or enforce any right, remedy, or provision of these Terms shall not constitute a waiver of that right, remedy, or provision.

Any waiver shall be effective only if made in writing by an authorized representative of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

A waiver on one occasion shall not constitute a continuing or future waiver.

18.4 Severability

If any provision of these Terms is determined by a court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, that provision shall be enforced to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

If necessary to preserve the intent of the parties, the invalid provision may be modified or interpreted only to the minimum extent required to make it enforceable where permitted by applicable law.

18.5 Survival

The provisions of these Terms that by their nature should survive termination shall remain in effect after termination, including, without limitation:

- intellectual property provisions;
- payment obligations;
- confidentiality obligations, where applicable;
- indemnification;
- warranty disclaimers;
- limitations of liability;
- dispute resolution provisions;
- governing law;
- accrued rights and remedies; and
- any other provision intended to survive by its nature or express terms.

18.6 Relationship of the Parties

Nothing contained in these Terms creates or shall be construed as creating:

- a partnership;
- a joint venture;
- an employment relationship;
- an agency relationship;
- a fiduciary relationship; or
- any other legal relationship beyond that expressly established by these Terms or a separate written agreement.

18.7 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

Except where expressly stated in a separate written agreement, these Terms are solely for the benefit of the parties.

No third party shall have any right to enforce or rely upon these Terms.

18.8 Electronic Records and Signatures

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, electronic records, electronic signatures, electronic communications, and electronically stored information shall have the same legal force and effect as paper documents and handwritten signatures.

18.9 Notices

Any legal notice required or permitted under these Terms shall be provided in accordance with the procedures established by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Official legal notices to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD shall be sent to the Legal Department using the contact information published by PBY or as otherwise designated in writing.

Electronic notices may be used where permitted by applicable law.

18.10 Interpretation

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- words in the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- references to one gender include all genders;
- the words “including,” “includes,” and “include” mean “including without limitation”;
- references to laws include amendments and successor laws; and
- references to Sections refer to Sections of these Terms.

18.11 Headings

Section titles and headings are included solely for convenience and shall not affect the interpretation of these Terms.

18.12 Controlling Language

These Terms are drafted in the English language.

Any translation is provided solely for convenience.

To the extent permitted by applicable law, if any inconsistency exists between the English version and a translated version, the English version shall control.

18.13 Reservation of Rights

Except for the limited rights expressly granted under these Terms or a separate written agreement, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD reserves all rights not expressly granted.

No license, ownership interest, or other legal right shall arise by implication, estoppel, or otherwise.

18.14 Compliance with Applicable Law

Nothing in these Terms shall be interpreted to require either party to violate applicable law or to waive any legal right that cannot lawfully be waived.

If any provision conflicts with mandatory law, that provision shall be applied only to the extent permitted by such law, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

18.15 Amendments

No amendment, modification, or supplement to these Terms shall be effective except as provided in these Terms or, where required, in a written instrument executed by an authorized representative of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

Nothing in this Section limits PBY's right to update these Terms as described elsewhere in this Agreement.

SECTION 19

Contact Information

19.1 General Inquiries

Questions regarding these Terms, your Account, purchases, publishing services, or other matters relating to Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD ("PBY") may be directed to the appropriate department using the contact information published by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD.

19.2 Legal Notices

Legal notices concerning these Terms, contractual matters, intellectual property, dispute resolution, or other legal issues should be directed to the Legal Department.

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD
Legal & Compliance Department

Email: info@publishingbyyoungblood.com

Mailing Address:

[Insert Corporate Mailing Address]
Louisiana, USA

Where permitted by applicable law, Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may designate updated contact information by publishing revised contact details on its official website or by providing written notice.

19.3 Copyright and Intellectual Property Notices

Claims concerning alleged copyright infringement, trademark issues, or other intellectual property matters should be submitted in accordance with Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD's Copyright Policy or other published intellectual property procedures.

If Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD designates a copyright agent under applicable law, the contact information for that agent will be published in the Copyright Policy or on the official website.

19.4 Customer Support

Customer service questions regarding orders, accounts, subscriptions, digital products, publishing services, or technical support should be submitted through the customer support channels identified on the official Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD website.

Response times may vary depending upon the nature and volume of requests.

19.5 Official Communications

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may communicate with Users through:

- email;
- the official website;
- user account notifications;
- customer portals;
- publishing portals; or
- other communication methods made available through the Services.

Users are responsible for maintaining accurate contact information and regularly reviewing communications relating to their Accounts and use of the Services.

19.6 Effective Date

These Terms and Conditions become effective on the Effective Date identified at the beginning of this Agreement and remain in effect until modified, replaced, or terminated by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD in accordance with these Terms.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BY ACCESSING OR USING THE SERVICES, CREATING AN ACCOUNT, PURCHASING PRODUCTS OR SERVICES, SUBMITTING A MANUSCRIPT, OR OTHERWISE INTERACTING WITH PUBLISHING BY YOUNGBLOOD, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD, AND AGREE TO BE LEGALLY BOUND BY THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF USE.

I actually would **not** stop here. One thing is still missing if your goal is to have a Terms & Conditions comparable to those used by major publishing and technology companies.

I would add **Appendices** after Section 17. They are incorporated by reference into the Terms but allow you to update operational policies without rewriting the entire agreement.

APPENDICES

The following documents are incorporated into these Terms and Conditions by reference, as they may be amended from time to time. In the event of a conflict between these Terms and a separate

written agreement executed by Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD and a User or Author, the separate written agreement shall control with respect to the subject matter covered by that agreement.

APPENDIX A

Privacy Policy

The Privacy Policy describes how Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD collects, uses, stores, protects, shares, retains, and processes personal information obtained through its websites, applications, publishing services, digital platforms, and related services.

APPENDIX B

Cookie Policy

The Cookie Policy explains the use of cookies, pixels, analytics technologies, local storage, and similar technologies used to improve user experience, enhance security, analyze performance, and support Platform functionality.

APPENDIX C

Copyright and Intellectual Property Policy

This policy establishes procedures for:

- reporting copyright infringement;
- reporting trademark infringement;
- submitting intellectual property complaints;
- responding to notices of alleged infringement;
- repeat infringer procedures where applicable;
- counter-notification procedures where applicable; and
- intellectual property enforcement.

APPENDIX D

Author Submission Guidelines

This document establishes requirements governing manuscript submissions, formatting standards, originality requirements, permissions, publication review procedures, editorial standards, and related publishing requirements.

APPENDIX E

Author Publishing Agreement

Authors accepted for publication may be required to execute a separate Publishing Agreement governing:

- publishing rights;
- licensing;
- royalties;
- editorial services;
- distribution;
- print and digital formats;
- audiobook rights;
- subsidiary rights;
- termination rights; and
- related contractual obligations.

In the event of any conflict between these Terms and an executed Publishing Agreement, the Publishing Agreement shall control with respect to the publishing relationship.

APPENDIX F

Refund, Return, and Cancellation Policy

This policy establishes procedures regarding:

- physical product returns;
- damaged merchandise;
- digital purchases;
- subscription cancellations;

- publishing service cancellations;
- refunds where applicable; and
- non-refundable products or services.

APPENDIX G

Community Standards

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD maintains Community Standards governing acceptable conduct on its websites, forums, educational communities, social features, review systems, discussion areas, and related online environments.

Violations may result in content removal, suspension, or termination of access.

APPENDIX H

Artificial Intelligence and Automated Access Policy

This policy governs:

- automated access;
- artificial intelligence systems;
- machine learning;
- data mining;
- web scraping;
- API usage;
- automated indexing;
- dataset creation;
- AI training restrictions; and
- permitted uses of Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD content.

APPENDIX I

Accessibility Statement

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is committed to making its digital Services accessible to individuals with disabilities and continually improving accessibility consistent with applicable law and recognized accessibility practices.

APPENDIX J

Contact Directory

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD may maintain separate contact information for:

- Legal Department;
- Customer Support;
- Publishing Services;
- Royalty Administration;
- Rights and Permissions;
- Media Relations;
- Copyright Notices;
- Accessibility Requests; and
- Privacy Requests.

Current contact information will be published on the official Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD website.

One final enhancement

If you want this to be **truly enterprise-grade**, I would create a complete legal suite consisting of:

1. Terms & Conditions (completed)
2. Privacy Policy
3. Cookie Policy
4. Copyright & Intellectual Property Policy
5. AI & Automated Access Policy
6. Author Publishing Agreement
7. Author Submission Guidelines
8. Refund & Cancellation Policy
9. Community Standards
10. Accessibility Statement
11. Rights & Permissions Policy
12. Royalty Policy
13. Content Removal & Complaint Policy

14. Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) Policy (or equivalent copyright notice procedure if applicable)

That would put Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD on par with the legal documentation commonly maintained by established publishing houses and major digital publishing platforms.

At this point, I would move beyond the Terms & Conditions and begin building the **Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD Legal Library**. This is the collection of policies and agreements that support the Terms and govern specific relationships and situations.

Here's the order I recommend:

Pri orit y	Document	Purpose
1	Privacy Policy	Explains how personal information is collected, used, stored, shared, and protected.
2	Cookie Policy	Explains cookies, analytics, and tracking technologies.
3	Copyright & Intellectual Property Policy	Procedures for copyright, trademark, and other IP complaints.
4	AI & Automated Access Policy	Rules governing AI training, scraping, bots, APIs, and automated systems.
5	Author Submission Guidelines	Requirements for manuscript submissions.

6	Author Publishing Agreement	Contract between PBY and accepted authors.
7	Rights & Permissions Policy	Requests to reproduce or license PBY content.
8	Royalty Policy	Explains royalty calculations, payment schedules, reserves, audits, and reporting.
9	Refund, Return & Cancellation Policy	Governs refunds for books, digital products, and services.
10	Community Standards	Rules for reviews, forums, comments, and user conduct.
11	Accessibility Statement	Accessibility commitment and accommodation requests.
12	Code of Ethics	Ethical standards for authors, editors, employees, and contractors.
13	Vendor & Contractor Terms	Rules for freelancers, editors, designers, printers, and consultants.
14	Website & Mobile App Privacy Notices	Jurisdiction-specific notices, if needed.

One more document I strongly recommend

Because Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD is a **publisher**, I would add something many independent publishers overlook:

Editorial Standards & Publishing Ethics Policy

This policy would explain:

- Editorial independence
- Fact-checking expectations
- Corrections and retractions
- Plagiarism policy
- AI-generated content disclosure
- Citation standards
- Conflicts of interest
- Sponsored content
- Ghostwriting disclosures
- Use of pseudonyms
- Image licensing requirements
- Permissions for third-party content
- Research integrity
- Ethical publishing practices

This is especially valuable if PBY publishes nonfiction, research, educational materials, or works intended for libraries, schools, or professional audiences.

A suggested legal library structure

Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD
Legal Library

- 01 Terms & Conditions
- 02 Privacy Policy
- 03 Cookie Policy
- 04 Copyright & Intellectual Property Policy
- 05 AI & Automated Access Policy
- 06 Editorial Standards & Publishing Ethics Policy
- 07 Author Submission Guidelines
- 08 Author Publishing Agreement
- 09 Rights & Permissions Policy
- 10 Royalty Policy
- 11 Refund, Return & Cancellation Policy

- 12 Community Standards
- 13 Accessibility Statement
- 14 Code of Ethics
- 15 Vendor & Contractor Terms
- 16 Media & Press Policy
- 17 Website Disclaimer
- 18 Consumer Notices

This suite would give Publishing By YOUNGBLOOD a comprehensive legal and operational framework that is comparable in scope to what many established publishing organizations maintain, while still allowing each document to be updated independently as your business evolves.