

Directive - STS Licence

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Scope

The Licence and Membership Agreement distinguishes between two forms of Affiliates to the STS Association – Members and Licensees. Members are granted the STS Licence of their choice, but it is possible to be a Licensee without becoming a Member.

This Directive describes the various types of STS Licence and the rights and obligations attaching to each – the Licence Types include:

a Standard Licence

a Sub-Metering Vendor Licence

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References

This Directive is subject to and governed by the Licence and Membership Agreement and in the event of a conflict, the terms and conditions of the Licence and Membership Agreement shall prevail over the terms and conditions of this Directive.

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Definitions

Unless otherwise indicated by the context, the terms and expressions defined in the Licence and Membership Agreement will, in this Directive, bear the meanings assigned to them in that agreement.

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Standard STS Licence

4.1. This STS Licence Type is appropriate for manufacturers of meter and vending equipment.

4.2. The special terms and conditions applicable to a Standard STS Licence are the following:

- the Licensee Affiliate can submit meter equipment (such as an ED or electricity dispenser) and vending equipment (such as a CDU or Credit Dispensing Unit) to the STS Certification Authority for certification;

- the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to display and use the STS Logo on equipment certified by the Certification Authority as being STS compliant;
- the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to vend STS tokens;
- the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to manage and/or assist in managing the vending of STS tokens by means of one or more networks of CDUs; by the allocation of Supply Group Codes to EDs; and by the transfer of Supply Group Codes;
- the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to advertise that its meter and vending equipment is STS Certified;
- the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to use the services of the STS Key Management Centre; and
- the Licensee Affiliate will be listed on the STS website as a supplier of STS Compliant equipment.

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Sub-Metering Vendor Licence

- 5.1. This STS Licence Type is appropriate for sub-metering vendors.
- 5.2. The special terms and conditions applicable to a Sub-Metering Vendor Licence are the following:
 - the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to provide sub-metering services (purchasing electricity in bulk and on-selling electricity to building owners within a demarcated area) by vending STS tokens to EDs located only in that demarcated area; and
 - the Licensee Affiliate is entitled to the allocation of unique Supply Group Codes to the EDs in the demarcated area.

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Licence Fees

- 6.1. Licence fees are due and payable in respect of the STS Licence and STS Association will notify Licensee Affiliates and potential Licensee Affiliates of the amounts of such licence fees from time to time.
- 6.2. In the event that a Member or Licensee is in arrears with the payment of annual subscription and licence fees – in respect of Members, the Member's Membership and STS Licence will be suspended; and in respect of non-Member Licensee Affiliates, the Affiliate's STS Licence will be suspended.

6.3. While a STS Licence is suspended, the Member or Licensee Affiliate:

- will not be entitled to use the STS mark on products and marketing material;
- will not have access to the KMC or any STS Association services, including Supply Group Transfers; and
- in the case of the Sub-Metering Vendor Licensees, the Licensee Affiliate will not be entitled to provide sub-metering services nor to vend STS tokens.

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Supply Group Transfers

7.1. In the event that a STS Affiliate's Membership or STS Licence is terminated or suspended for any reason and it is necessary to allocate different Supply Group Codes to the EDs in an area affected by such termination or suspension (to permit a different STS Affiliate to vend to the EDs in the affected area), the STS Association will be entitled to:

- approach the proprietor of the EDs in the affected area for permission to allocate different Supply Group Codes to the affected EDs; and
- instruct the Key Management Centre relevant to the affected EDs to allocate and issue different Supply Group Codes to the affected EDs to enable a STS Affiliate other than the terminated or suspended Affiliate to vend STS tokens to the affected EDs.