

# Terms and Conditions

## Australian Tiny House Association

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### 1. Acceptance of Terms

By accessing or using the website of the Australian Tiny House Association ("ATHA", "we", "us", or "our") at [www.tinyhouse.org.au](http://www.tinyhouse.org.au) ("the Website"), or by becoming a member or using any of our services, you agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions ("Terms").

If you do not agree to these Terms, please do not use the Website or our services. We reserve the right to update or amend these Terms at any time. Continued use of the Website or our services after any changes constitutes your acceptance of the revised Terms.

### 2. About the Australian Tiny House Association

The Australian Tiny House Association is a not-for-profit volunteer-run association dedicated to supporting, advocating for, and promoting the tiny house movement across Australia. ATHA provides information, community resources, events, and membership services to individuals and organisations interested in tiny house living.

ATHA is administered by a volunteer management committee. Volunteers may have professional, employment, or business connections to the tiny house industry. Please refer to Section 11 (Conflicts of Interest) for details on how we manage this.

### 3. Membership

#### 3.1 Eligibility

Membership is open to any individual or organisation with an interest in tiny house living, advocacy, or the broader tiny house industry in Australia. By applying for membership, you confirm that the information you provide is accurate and complete.

#### 3.2 Membership Obligations

As a member of ATHA, you agree to:

- Abide by these Terms and Conditions and any applicable by-laws or rules of the association
- Treat fellow members, volunteers, and staff with courtesy and respect
- Not engage in conduct that is harmful, defamatory, misleading, or damaging to ATHA or its members
- Pay any applicable membership fees in accordance with the fee schedule published on the Website

#### 3.3 Membership Fees

Membership fees, where applicable, are set by the management committee and published on the Website. Fees are reviewed periodically and are non-refundable except where required by Australian Consumer Law.

#### 3.4 Termination of Membership

ATHA reserves the right to suspend or terminate membership where a member has breached these Terms, engaged in misconduct, or acted in a manner contrary to the interests of the association. Where practicable, the member will be given an opportunity to respond before a decision is made. Decisions regarding membership termination rest with the management committee.

## **4. Use of the Website**

### **4.1 Permitted Use**

You may use the Website for lawful purposes only and in a manner consistent with these Terms. You agree not to:

- Use the Website in any way that breaches any applicable Australian law or regulation
- Transmit any unsolicited or unauthorised advertising or promotional material (spam)
- Knowingly introduce viruses, malware, or other harmful code
- Attempt to gain unauthorised access to any part of the Website or its associated systems
- Harvest, scrape, or collect personal information from the Website without our consent
- Use the Website in any way that could damage, disable, or impair its operation

### **4.2 Account Registration**

Some features of the Website may require you to register an account. You are responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of your login credentials and for all activity that occurs under your account. Please notify us immediately if you become aware of any unauthorised use of your account.

### **4.3 User-Generated Content**

Where the Website permits you to post, share, or submit content (such as forum posts, comments, or photos), you retain ownership of that content but grant ATHA a non-exclusive, royalty-free licence to use, display, and reproduce it in connection with our activities.

You agree that any content you submit will not be unlawful, defamatory, offensive, or in breach of any third party's rights. ATHA reserves the right to remove any content that breaches these requirements without notice.

## **5. Information Accuracy and General Advice Disclaimer**

ATHA provides information on the Website for general informational and educational purposes only. While we endeavour to keep information accurate and up to date, we make no warranties or representations about the accuracy, completeness, or suitability of any information on the Website.

Nothing on the Website constitutes legal, financial, planning, building, or professional advice. You should seek appropriate independent professional advice before making any decisions based on information obtained from this Website. ATHA accepts no liability for any loss or damage arising from reliance on information provided on the Website.

Regulations and requirements relating to tiny houses vary significantly across Australian states and territories and may change. Always verify current requirements with the relevant local, state, or territory authorities.

## **6. Intellectual Property**

All content on the Website, including text, graphics, logos, images, and downloadable materials, is the property of ATHA or its content providers and is protected by Australian copyright law.

You may view, print, or download content for your personal, non-commercial use only. You must not reproduce, distribute, modify, or republish any content without our prior written consent, except where permitted by law.

The ATHA name, logo, and any associated trademarks are the property of the Australian Tiny House Association and must not be used without prior written approval.

## **7. Third-Party Links and Resources**

The Website may contain links to third-party websites, resources, or service providers for your convenience. These links do not constitute an endorsement by ATHA of those websites or their content, products, or services.

ATHA has no control over the content of external websites and accepts no responsibility for their accuracy, legality, or appropriateness. You access third-party websites at your own risk and subject to their own terms and conditions.

## **8. Events and Activities**

ATHA may organise or facilitate events, workshops, tours, or other activities. Participation in such activities may be subject to additional terms, registration requirements, or waivers communicated at the time of registration.

Participants attend ATHA events at their own risk. ATHA will take reasonable steps to ensure the safety and wellbeing of participants, but to the extent permitted by law, ATHA accepts no liability for injury, loss, or damage arising from participation in events.

ATHA reserves the right to cancel or reschedule events. Where an event is cancelled by ATHA, registered participants will be offered a refund or credit where a fee has been paid.

## **9. Limitation of Liability**

To the maximum extent permitted by Australian law, ATHA, its management committee, volunteers, and agents exclude all liability for any direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, or special loss or damage arising from your use of the Website or our services, including but not limited to:

- Errors, omissions, or inaccuracies in information published on the Website
- Interruption or unavailability of the Website
- Loss of data or unauthorised access to your information
- Decisions made in reliance on information published on the Website

Nothing in these Terms excludes, restricts, or modifies any right or remedy, or any guarantee, warranty, or other term or condition implied or imposed by the Australian Consumer Law that cannot lawfully be excluded or limited.

## **10. Indemnity**

You agree to indemnify and hold harmless ATHA, its management committee, volunteers, and representatives from and against any claims, losses, liabilities, costs, or expenses (including legal fees) arising from your use of the Website, breach of these Terms, or any content you submit through the Website.

## **11. Conflicts of Interest**

ATHA is a volunteer-run organisation. Members of the management committee and other volunteers who contribute to ATHA's activities may be employed by, operate, or have a business or financial interest in enterprises within the tiny house industry, including builders, designers, suppliers, consultants, and related service providers.

ATHA acknowledges that such involvement can bring valuable industry knowledge and expertise to the organisation. However, we also recognise the importance of transparency and the need to manage situations where a volunteer's personal or commercial interests may intersect with their role within ATHA.

### **11.1 Disclosure**

Volunteers and committee members are encouraged to disclose any relevant interests that may give rise to an actual, perceived, or potential conflict with their responsibilities to ATHA. Such disclosures are recorded and considered by the management committee.

### **11.2 Management of Conflicts**

The management committee is responsible for determining how any identified or perceived conflict of interest will be managed. This may include, but is not limited to:

- Requiring the relevant volunteer to absent themselves from discussion or decision-making on a particular matter
- Noting the conflict in meeting minutes
- Reassigning responsibilities where appropriate
- Taking any other steps the committee considers reasonable in the circumstances

The management committee has full discretion in determining the appropriate course of action for managing conflicts of interest, and its decisions in this regard are final.

### **11.3 No Endorsement**

The involvement of a volunteer or committee member in the tiny house industry does not constitute an endorsement by ATHA of that person's business, products, or services. ATHA does not endorse any particular builder, supplier, designer, or service provider unless explicitly stated.

Users of the Website are encouraged to conduct their own due diligence before engaging any individual or business, including those associated with ATHA volunteers.

## **12. Privacy**

Your use of the Website is also governed by our Privacy Policy, which is incorporated into these Terms by reference. Our Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, store, and protect your personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) and the Australian Privacy Principles. Please review our Privacy Policy available on the Website.

### **13. Governing Law**

These Terms are governed by the laws of Australia. Any disputes arising in connection with these Terms or your use of the Website will be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of the state or territory in which ATHA is incorporated, and you consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of those courts.

### **14. Severability**

If any provision of these Terms is found to be invalid, unlawful, or unenforceable under applicable law, that provision will be severed from the remaining Terms, which will continue in full force and effect.

### **15. Contact Us**

If you have any questions about these Terms and Conditions, please contact us at:

**Email:** [admin@tinyhouse.org.au](mailto:admin@tinyhouse.org.au)

**Website:** [www.tinyhouse.org.au](http://www.tinyhouse.org.au)

We will endeavour to respond to all enquiries within a reasonable timeframe.