

Website Design Contract

A contract to design and build a website for a client. Template v1.0.

Date of this contract: _____

Designer: _____

Client: _____

1. The project

Pages, features and platform:

Work not described above, such as extra pages, features or integrations, is a change. The Designer will quote any change before doing it.

2. Client content and approvals

The Client provides the text, images, logos and other content for the site and confirms it has the right to use them. The Client gives feedback and approvals within 5 business days of each request. Late content or approvals move the timeline.

3. Timeline

Timeline:

4. Revisions

Revisions included:

Further revisions are charged at the Designer's normal hourly rate, quoted in advance.

5. Fees and costs

Total fee: _____

Deposit: _____

The balance of the fee is due at launch, before the site is handed over to the Client. Invoices are due within 14 days. Third party costs, such as premium fonts, plugins, themes, stock images and paid services, are not in the fee. The Designer gets the Client's approval before buying any of them and buys them in the Client's name where possible.

6. Hosting and domain

7. Launch and acceptance

The Designer shows the finished site on a test link before launch. The Client checks it against the project above within 5 business days and either approves the launch or lists what does not match. The site is accepted when it is launched with the Client's approval, or if the Client does not respond within that time.

8. Ownership and portfolio

When the Client has paid in full, the Client owns the final design, content and code made for the site. The Designer keeps its own tools, code libraries and templates, and the Client may use any that are part of the site, for that site, without further charge. Third party items stay under their own terms. The Designer may show the site in its portfolio, unless the Client says no in writing.

9. Bug fixes and maintenance

The Designer fixes, at no charge, bugs in its own work that the Client reports within 30 days of launch. A bug is something that does not work as agreed, not a new feature or a change of taste. Problems caused by later edits, updates or hosting are not covered.

Maintenance after launch:

10. Ending early

Either party may end this contract by written notice. The Client then pays for work done up to that date and any approved third party costs. The deposit counts toward that amount, and any part of it not earned is refunded. The Client owns the work it has paid for.

11. Liability

The Designer is not liable for indirect loss, lost profits, or loss caused by hosting, third party services or changes made by others. The Designer's total liability is limited to the fee paid under this contract, except for fraud or anything the law does not allow to be limited. The Client is responsible for the content it provides.

12. Governing law and whole agreement

This contract is governed by the laws of:

This contract is the whole agreement about the project. A change is valid only in writing signed by both parties. If a term cannot be enforced, the rest still applies.

Client business name, if any (the Client fills this in): _____

Client

Signature

Name

Date

Designer

Signature

Name

Date