



Confidentiality Agreement Checklist							
1.	The Parties						
	Name, address and corporate status of the Discloser (person disclosing the Confidential Information).						
	Name, address and corporate status of the Recipient (person receiving the Confidential Information).						
2.	Purpose of the Agreement						
	What is the purpose of disclosing the Confidential Information to the Recipient?						
3.	Definitions						
	Consider and define what is to constitute "Confidential Information".						
	Definition can be narrow in scope (e.g., only the information and materials specified in the Agreement) or broad in scope (all information and materials disclosed, directly or indirectly).						
	Consider form of disclosed information (oral/human readable written/machine readable/other).						
	Consider identification and inclusion of technology specific confidential information such as: software; source code; algorithms; trade secrets; "look and feel"; methodologies; processes; flow charts and diagrams; concepts; inventions; research and development data; test results.						
	Consider if the definition should address any Recipient work product that includes disclosed Confidential Information (e.g., in notes made by Recipient personnel).						
4.	Consideration						
	What is the Recipient to pay or provide to the Discloser in return for the disclosure of the Confidential Information?						
5.	Scope of Permitted Use						
	Specify permitted use(s) of the disclosed Confidential Information.						
	Specify if there are to be any express restrictions on permitted use(s) of the disclosed Confidential Information (e.g., no copies made/ no notes made).						
	Specify to whom Recipient may (or may not) be able to share Confidential Information with.						
6.	Protection of Confidential Information Specify Recipient's obligations with respect to the Confidential Information, including:						
	Obligation to keep the Confidential Information confidential/non-disclosure obligations.						
	Obligations and measures to take concerning the protection of Confidential Information in possession of Recipient.						
	The standard of care to apply to the Recipient's obligations (strict/efforts based/same measures and efforts as maintained by the Discloser).						



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7.	Ownership							
	Will the Recipient acknowledge the confidentiality and ownership of the Confidential Information in the Discloser of will the Discloser only agree to keep the information disclosed in confidence without making any admission as to the status of its proprietary nature?							
8.	Obligations of the Discloser							
	Organize and specify the Confidential Information.							
	Consider if the Agreement to obligate Discloser to disclose any specific Confidential Information.							
9.	Exceptions to Confidentiality Obligations							
	Specify to whom Recipient is entitled to disclose Confidential Information to: within Recipient's organization; its affiliates and related parties; agents (e.g., service providers); professional advisors; other third parties (e.g., in connection with due diligence).							
	If Recipient is entitled to disclose to others, consider what Recipient's related obligations, liabilities and responsibilities should be:							
	Obligation to inform such persons of confidential nature of information and/or requirement for such persons execute an acknowledgement of same.	s to						
	Execution of a confidentiality agreement with the third party (by Recipient or Discloser) and if so, on what terms; consider how to deal with professional advisors in the context of existing professional obligations of confidentiality (e.g., Recipient's legal advisors).							
	Liability and responsibility of Recipient for third party actions and breaches.							
	Obligation to report to Discloser on identity of third party to whom Recipient has disclosed the Confidential Information (or to seek prior approval before disclosing).							
	What other exceptions to disclosure will be permitted?							
	Information already in Recipient's possession.							
	Information received by Recipient from third parties.							
	Information in the public domain.							
	To the extent required by or compelled under applicable law or judicial bodies or regulatory authorities havin jurisdiction (and if so, under what conditions or further obligations).	g 🗖						
10.	Residual Knowledge							
	Consider the inclusion of a "residual knowledge" clause to address information that may be retained in the unaided memories of Recipient personnel, and the respective rights of and restrictions on the parties concerning same.	d 🔲						
11.	Term and Termination							
	What is the effective date of the Agreement? (consider when information was first disclosed to Recipient).							
	What is the duration of the obligation of confidentiality to be?							
	In what other circumstances does the Agreement terminate? (completion of the purpose/for convenience/bankruptcy, insolvency of a party, etc.)							



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12.	Ret	urn of Confidential Information	
	Spe	cify on what terms Recipient is to return Confidential Information:	
		At the Discloser's request at any time.	
		Upon completion of the purpose for which it was disclosed.	
		Upon termination.	
	dest	at is to be returned and how will the Recipient be permitted to deal with Recipient work product -return or cruction -including Confidential Information that may be maintained or embedded in the electronic systems of the pient (e.g., e-mail/internal memorandums, etc.).	
	Oblig	gation to certify return or destruction of all Confidential Information.	
13.	Ren	nedies for Breach	
		at specific remedies should the Agreement provide for in the event of breach by the Recipient, such as the ability of equitable relief, and if so, on what terms.	
14.	Oth	ner Terms	
	Con	sider inclusion of additional context specific terms, such as:	
		Term specifying what other rights or licenses are/are not granted.	
		Term addressing warranty/lack of warranty with respect to Confidential Information disclosed.	
		Indemnification -Consider if Recipient is to provide an indemnity in respect of a breach of the Agreement, and if so, if such indemnity is to be limited in any respect (quantum or nature of recoverable damages).	
		Term clarifying that disclosure of the Confidential Information will not limit Recipient from conducting its business or from competing with the Discloser	
15.	Ger	neral Provisions	
	Inclu	ude applicable general provisions, including:	
		Entire Agreement.	
		Governing Law.	
		Amendments to be made in writing.	
		Severability of invalid or unenforceable clauses.	
		Notice provisions.	
		Assignment provision.	
		Waiver provision.	
		Counterparts and transmission by facsimile.	

