

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Quotations are open for acceptance thirty (30) days from issuance. After thirty days, prices and terms are subject to change without notice.
- 2. We assume no liability for any loss of or damage to merchandise or material while in transit to or from our factory, whether trucks or vehicles are owned by us, the customer, or any third person acting in our or the customer's behalf, or for any loss of or damage to said merchandise or materials while the same are in our possession for any cause whatsoever, including, but not limited to theft, fire, casualty, or act of God.
- 3. All customers' merchandise in our possession shall be subject to a general lien for all monies owing by the customer to us, whether or not due or payable, and whether or not equipment used in connection with such merchandise.
- 4. During storage and transportation of customer's material, customer's containers used for delivery to us shall be used and any damage resulting from such contains shall be at the customer's risk.

SPECIALTY STEEL TREATING, INC (SST)

STATEMENT OF LIABILITY

(Please Read Carefully)

(Standards Adopted by the Metal Treating Institute, Inc.)

It is recognized that even after employing all the scientific methods known to us, hazards still remain in metal treating.

THEREFORE, OUR LIABILITY SHALL NOT EXCEED TWICE THE AMOUNT OF OUR CHARGES FOR THE WORK DONE ON ANY MATERIAL (FIRST TO REIMBURSE FOR THE CHARGES AND SECOND TO COMPENSATE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE CHARGES), EXCEPT BY WRITTEN AGREEMENT SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OF SST.

THE CUSTOMER, BY CONTRACTING FOR METAL TREATMENT, AGREES TO ACCEPT THE LIMITS OF LIABILITY AS EXPRESSED IN THIS STATEMENT TO THE EXCLUSION OF ANY AND ALL PROVISIONS AS TO LIABILITY ON THE CUSTOMER'S OWN INVOICES, PURCHASE ORDERS OR OTHER DOCUMENTS. IF THE CUSTOMER DESIRES HIS OWN PROVISIONS AS TO LIABILITY TO REMAIN IN FORCE AND EFFECT, THIS MUST BE AGREED TO IN WRITING, SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OF SST. IN SUCH AN EVERNT, SST AND CUSTOMER SHALL DETERMINE A DIFFERENT CHARGE FOR OUR SERVICES, REFLECTING THE HIGHTER RISK TO SST.

SST MAKES NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY IMPLIED WARRANY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR MERCHANTABILITY, AS TO THE PERFORMANCE OF CAPABILTIES OF THE MATERIAL AS HEAT TREATING, OR THE HEAT TREATMENT. THE AFOREMENTIONED LIMITATION OF LIABILITY STATED ABOVE IS SPECIFICALLY IN LIEU OF ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS, AND OF ANY OTHER SUCH OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF SST.

No claims for shortage in weight or count will be entertained unless presented within five (5) working days after receipt of material by customer. No claims will be allowed for shrinkage, expansion, deformity, or rupture of material in treating or straightening, except by prior written agreement, as above, nor in any case for rupture caused by or occurring during subsequent grinding. Whenever we are given material with detailed instruction as to treatment, our responsibility shall end with the carrying out of those instructions. Failure by a customer to indicate plainly and correctly the kind of material (i.e., proper alloy designation) to be treated, shall cause an extra charge to be made to cover any additional expense incurred as a result thereof, but shall not change the limitation of liability stated above.

Customers agrees there will be no liability on the SST in contract or tort (including negligence and strict liability action) for any special, indirect or consequential damages arising from any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to personal injury, property damages, loss of profits, loss of production, recall or any other losses, expenses or liabilities allegedly occasioned by the work performed on the part of SST.

It shall be the duty of the customer to inspect the merchandise immediately upon its return, and in any event claims must be reported prior to the time that any further processing, assembling or any other work is undertaken.

SST'S LIABILITY TO OUR CUSTOMERS SHALL CEASE ONCE ANY FURTHER PROCESSING, ASSEMBLING OR ANY OTHER WORK HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN ON SAID MATERIAL.

No agent or representative is authorized to alter the conditions, except in writing duly signed by an officer of SST.