



RULES

of establishing Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association, and Arbitrator's duties

§ 1

1. Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association are established by the GCA Board of Directors, pursuant to § 38 sec. 8 of the Statute of the Gdynia Cotton Association, endorsed with the resolution of the 82nd Ordinary General Assembly of members of the Gdynia Cotton Association on 27 May 2022 held in Gdynia, and pursuant to the By-laws and Rules of the Gdynia Cotton Association endorsed by the 69th General Assembly of members of the Gdynia Cotton Association on 21 May 2010.
2. In the fields of turnover in raw cotton, cotton and cotton-like grey yarn, and flat cotton and cotton-like grey textile products (fabrics/knitted fabrics/non-wovens), the Board of Directors of the Gdynia Cotton Association shall establish:
 - 1) Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration, in arbitration on:
trade, transport, insurance, forwarding, and law;
 - 2) Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration in specialised arbitration, i.e.:
 - a) quality arbitration on raw cotton,
 - b) quality arbitration on combers, waste, and cotton lint,
 - c) quality arbitration on cotton and cotton-like grey yarn,
 - d) quality arbitration on flat cotton and cotton-like grey textile products (fabrics/knitted fabrics/non-wovens).
3. Establishing, suspension, and deletion from the list of Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association is carried out with a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Gdynia Cotton Association, after the applicable motion of the Presidium of the Board of Directors submitted to the Board of Directors of the Gdynia Cotton Association has been approved.

§ 2

1. An Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association should present:

- 1) full capacity to act in law,
 - 2) impeccable past curriculum vitae,
 - 3) secondary level of education, at minimum,
 - 4) five-year experience in their field of specialisation,
 - 5) English language command on the level allowing understanding the documentation of the case under proceedings in the Court of Arbitration,
 - 6) arbitrators of quality arbitration of raw cotton, combers, waste, and cotton lint – completion of the Gdynia Cotton Association cotton classification course, or other, equivalent course recognised by the GCA,
 - 7) arbitrators of quality arbitration of cotton and cotton-like grey yarn, and flat cotton and cotton-like grey textile products (fabrics/knitted fabrics/non-wovens) – knowledge of metrology.
2. In well justified cases, individuals striving for being established Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association may be exempted from meeting certain requirements referred to in § 2 sec. 1, if they are widely recognised specialist in the field in question.

§ 3

1. The application for being established an Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association shall be submitted by the Association's member, or the interested individual himself/herself – to the Gdynia Cotton Association Office. The following shall be appended to the application:
 - 1) professional curriculum vitae,
 - 2) personal information form,
 - 3) certificates proving the possessed qualifications (§ 2. sec. 1., points 3) – 7)),
 - 4) an opinion of the Gdynia Cotton Association member on the applicant who strives for being established an Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association.
2. The Board of Directors of the Gdynia Cotton Association may exempt some individuals striving for being established Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association – such as independent scientific researchers or eminent specialists – from submission of some or all specified documents referred to in § 3 sec. 1.

§ 4

1. An Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association established in a certain field shall submit the written statement reading as follows:

I, the undersigned, having been established the Arbitrator in the field of in the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association, undertake to fulfil my duties conscientiously, to the best of my knowledge, impartially, with the due dignity, to observe the legal regulations in force, the provisions of the Statute and of the By-laws and Rules of the Gdynia Cotton Association, and I undertake to keep confidential the Arbitrator's activities performed by me.

Moreover, I undertake to waive the acceptance and performance of the Arbitrator's duties in the cases when there is a relationship implying doubts as to my impartiality.

2. The Statement shall be signed by the Arbitrator and officials accepting the Statement – the Director of the Gdynia Cotton Association and the Chairman of the Presidium of Arbitrators at the Gdynia Cotton Association.
3. Having made the Statement, the Arbitrator shall be enrolled on the list of Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association.

§ 5

Arbitrators may be suspended in their duties for a definite period, if shortcomings and negligence are found when they perform their duties, but which do not yet qualify them for deletion from the list of Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association.

§ 6

An Arbitrator may be deleted from the list of Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association, if:

1. he/she does not perform, or inadequately performs the Arbitrator's duties,
2. qualifications indispensable for performing the Arbitrator's duties expired,
3. a valid court judgment convicting for an offence committed because of the desire for profit or other base impulse, or depriving them of public or civil rights was issued,
4. he/she undermines with their conduct the authority and good name of other Arbitrator,
5. he/she resigns from the Arbitrator's function,
6. he/she loses the physical ability to perform the Arbitrator's duties.

§ 7

1. An Arbitrator performs the duties in person, in compliance with the Statue, Rules, and By-laws and Rules of the Gdynia Cotton Association, the present Rules, and with regulations and customs recognised in the trade of raw cotton, cotton and cotton-like grey yarn, and flat cotton and cotton-like grey textile products (fabrics/knitted fabrics/non-wovens).
2. An Arbitrator shall be obliged to waive the acceptance and performance of the Arbitrator's duties in the cases when there is a relationship implying doubts as to his/her impartiality.

§ 8

An Arbitrator shall take up the duties in the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association after receiving the notification from the Gdynia Cotton Association.

§ 9

An Arbitrator who did not completed the task which he/she undertook to perform can be compelled to cover the damage resulting thereof.

§ 10

An Arbitrator shall submit the award on a form supplied by the Gdynia Cotton Association.

§ 11

For the duties performed, the Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association shall be remunerated in compliance with the approved table of remuneration, and they shall be reimbursed the travel costs and allowances compliant with the regulations in force in the Gdynia Cotton Association.

Gdynia, on January 23, 2024.

*These Rules were approved
with the resolution of the Board of Directors of the Gdynia Cotton Association
on 23 January 2024, and they enter into force on this day.*