

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

1. **SERVICE AGREEMENT.** This standard agreement (this “**Agreement**”) governs your service relationship with Santel Communications Cooperative, Inc. (together with any subsidiaries or affiliates providing your service or related facilities, “**we**,” “**us**,” or the “**Company**”) for services and facilities (“**Service**”). As a result of recent changes to applicable law and regulations, the Company no longer files or maintains a Local Services Tariff. Instead, we now provide Service pursuant to this Agreement, including the additional Terms of Service incorporated herein by reference.
2. **ACCEPTANCE.** Your acceptance of this Agreement occurs upon any of the following: (a) you provide a written or electronic signature expressly accepting this Agreement; (b) you orally or electronically order and/or activate Service; or (c) you use Service, following notification that this Agreement will apply to your ongoing use of such Service.
3. **ADDITIONAL TERMS OF SERVICE.** We provide Service pursuant to a Certificate of Authority issued by the SDPUC as well as Cooperative Member by-laws, where applicable. We provide Service subject to our **Services Catalog**, including: (a) this Agreement (b) our Rules and Regulations for Local Exchange Service, Internet, and Video, which are incorporated herein by reference; (c) our Cooperative by-laws, which are incorporated herein by reference; (d) our applicable rules, regulations and rate schedules for each service, which are incorporated herein by reference; and (e) applicable rules and regulations of the SDPUC or Federal Communications Commission. Current versions of our Service Catalog and Rate Schedules are available in electronic form on our website at <https://santel.coop/terms-conditions/>. Current versions of these documents are also available at our business office(s) and will be provided or made available to you upon request. Our Service Catalog and Rate Schedules contain the specific prices and charges, service descriptions and other terms and conditions not set forth herein which apply to Service. This Agreement incorporates by reference the prices, charges terms and conditions included in our Services Catalog.
4. **RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** This Agreement is our standard service agreement. Under this Agreement, we agree to provide and bill for Service, and you agree to use and pay for Service, as provided herein and in our other applicable Terms of Service. Our rights and responsibilities, and your rights and responsibilities, are as set forth in this Agreement and our other applicable Terms of Service.
5. **TERM.** This Agreement shall commence on the date of your acceptance and shall continue month-to-month (or, in some cases for an established minimum term) as provided in our applicable Terms of Service, unless specified elsewhere in writing. Either party may terminate this Agreement or any Service in accordance with our applicable Terms of Service. Termination of this Agreement or any Service shall not waive or release your obligation to pay for Service provided prior to such termination as well as any other applicable fees and charges, as provided in our Terms of Service.
6. **RATES; PAYMENT.** Nonrecurring and recurring charges for Service are as set forth in our applicable Services Catalog. Except as otherwise noted, Service pricing is exclusive of applicable local, state and federal taxes and regulatory fees, assessments and surcharges. All Service charges, along with applicable local, state and federal taxes and regulatory fees, assessments and surcharges, will be itemized on your invoice. Failure to pay invoices when due may result in late payment penalties or suspension or disconnection of Service as provided in our applicable Terms of Service.
7. **CHANGES TO TERMS.** We reserve the right to change our Terms of Service (including rates or any other terms and conditions of Service) upon written notice to you. The notice may be provided on your monthly bill, as a bill insert, by email, on our website, or by other written communication or other form of notice permitted or required by applicable laws and regulations. If you elect not to cancel your Service and continue to use Service after the communicated effective date of any such changes, your continued use of Service will constitute acceptance of the modified Terms of Service.
8. **SERVICE ACCOUNTS.** Service accounts are assigned to customers only, and the customer in whose name the account is established will be treated as the account owner for all purposes. Account owners may designate one or more “authorized users” who will have access to account information and may make certain account changes in accordance with our policies and applicable laws and regulations. As the owner of the account, you are responsible for designating (or changing the designation) of any authorized users. You will hold the Company harmless from any claims arising from account instructions given or inquiries made by you or any authorized user. You are responsible for keeping all account and billing data with the Company up-to-date and accurate. Furnishing false data to the Company is grounds for immediate disconnection of Service and may subject you to civil or criminal liability.
9. **USE OF CUSTOMER INFORMATION.** From time to time the Company can provide the Customer with Services marketing or educational information based on existing or presumed use of one or more Company Services. To the extent the Company uses Customer’s information in its possession it is called Customer Proprietary Network Information or CPNI. The Company may use CPNI to advise the Customer on utilizing existing or new related Services. The Company does not sell or provide this information to any third parties, other than the E911 records required by law, if you are a telephone customer. Customer has a right to restrict Company’s access to CPNI. If you choose to opt-out of the Company’s use of CPNI, please contact our business office to be placed on a list where we will not use your CPNI. Further, the Customer hereby gives Company permission to contact them, using any of the information required for the Company to provide the Services requested, including at the phone number or email listed in the Service Application, about future Services that the Company will be offering that may be of interest to Customer.
10. **DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES.** EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN OUR TERMS OF SERVICE, WE MAKE NO WARRANTIES WITH RESPECT TO ANY SERVICE OR FACILITIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTIES CONCERNING THE SPECIFIC FUNCTION OF ANY SERVICE OR FACILITIES, OR THEIR RELIABILITY, AVAILABILITY, OR ABILITY TO MEET YOUR SPECIFIC NEEDS. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, WE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF SATISFACTORY QUALITY, NON-INFRINGEMENT, MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
11. **LIMITATION ON REMEDIES.** In addition to any other limitation on remedies or limitations of liability set forth in our Terms of Service or in applicable law or regulations, the Company shall not be liable for any delay or failure to provide Service at any time or from time to time, or any interruption or degradation of Service quality that is caused by any of the following: (a) an act or omission of an underlying carrier, service provider, vendor or other third party; (b) equipment, network or facility failure, including failure caused by the loss of power; (c) equipment, network or facility upgrade or modification; (d) force majeure events such as (but not limited to) acts of God, acts of nature, strikes, fire, war, riot, acts of terrorism and government actions; (e) equipment or facility shortage; (f) equipment or facility relocation; (g) any act or omission by you or any person using your Service; (h) theft, fraud or abuse of Service; or (i) any other cause that is beyond the Company’s reasonable control.

TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, OUR TOTAL LIABILITY FOR ANY CLAIM UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING FOR ANY EXPRESS OR

IMPLIED WARRANTIES, IS LIMITED TO THE EQUIVALENT OF ONE MONTH'S PAYMENT FOR THE AFFECTED SERVICE OR EQUIPMENT, WHETHER SUCH CLAIM OR REMEDY IS SOUGHT IN CONTRACT OR TORT, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY OR OTHERWISE. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, WE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO YOU FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, PUNITIVE, SPECIAL OR TREBLED OR ENHANCED DAMAGES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO LOST PROFITS, LOST BUSINESS, OR OTHER COMMERCIAL OR ECONOMIC LOSS, WHETHER SUCH DAMAGES ARE CLAIMED FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, NEGLIGENCE OR OTHERWISE AND WHETHER OR NOT WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

12. **INDEMNIFICATION.** You agree to indemnify the Company and our affiliates, officers, agents and employees from any liability or expense arising from claims, losses, damages, suits, judgments, litigation costs and attorneys' fees arising from or related to your abuse or misuse of Service, or any other violation of this Agreement or our other Terms of Service.
13. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Agreement, and our contractual and service relationship with you, shall be deemed to have been made in and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of the State of South Dakota, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.
14. **INCORPORATION AND INTEGRATION.** Our Terms of Service are incorporated into this Agreement. This Agreement, along with our other Terms of Service, constitute the entire agreement between the parties concerning our contractual service relationship, there being no prior written or oral promises or representations not incorporated herein or therein.
15. **NO IMPLIED WAIVER.** Our failure to exercise or enforce any provision of or rights under this Agreement or our other Terms of Service shall not constitute a waiver of any such provision or right.
16. **SEVERABILITY.** If any part or provision of this Agreement or our other Terms of Service is held, in whole or in part, to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by any law or regulation of any governmental or regulatory authority, or by the final determination of any court of competent jurisdiction, that part or provision will be construed consistent with applicable law or regulation as nearly as possible, and the remaining parts and provisions will remain in full force and effect. Such invalidity or non-enforceability will not invalidate or render unenforceable any other part or provision of this Agreement or our other Terms of Service.
17. **ASSIGNMENT; BINDING EFFECT.** This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns; provided, however, you may not assign or transfer your rights or obligations under this Agreement without our express written consent. Unless consent is granted, all accounts must be closed and reopened under the name of a new customer for issuance of a new account number.
18. **NO PARTNERSHIP.** Neither these Terms, nor any terms and conditions contained herein, shall be construed as creating any partnership, joint venture, franchise or agency relationship between the parties.
19. **THIRD PARTY RIGHTS.** Other than as expressly provided in these Terms, these Terms does not create any rights for any person who is not a party to it, and no person who is not a party to these Terms may enforce any of its terms or rely on any exclusion or limitation contained in it.