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Membership Dues Regulations

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§ 1 Membership dues

- 1.1 The dues payable by manufacturers and other certificate holders (full members) shall be 3,750.00 € per year. For manufacturers who are at the same time a member of the VDMA specialised section Security Systems the dues payable per year shall be 2,750.00 €.
- 1.2 The dues payable by distributing companies which are not certificate holders (full members) and extraordinary members shall be 1,000.00 € per year.
- 1.3 If the new member joins between 1 January and 30 June of the year, membership dues shall be payable for the full year. If the new member joins between 1 July and 31 December of the year, 50 percent of the membership dues shall be payable. The effective entry date shall be the date of service of the notification of admission.

§ 2 Payment of dues

- 2.1 The dues are on principle payable at the beginning of each calendar year and within six weeks from the issue date of the invoice.
- 2.2 In the event of failure to pay on the payment date, a surcharge of 1 percent shall be added to the dues in arrear for the period up to and including the current month.

§ 3 Vouchers

- 3.1 The Executive Board is authorised to grant the manufacturers and other certificate holders from among the ordinary members vouchers for up to 2,750.00 € of the membership dues (for VDMA members 2,250.00 €). If 50 percent of the membership dues are invoiced in accordance with § 1, paragraph 3, sentence 2 of these Membership Dues Regulations, the Executive Board is authorised to grant vouchers for up to 1,375.00 € (for VDMA members: 1,125.00 €). The vouchers can be redeemed with the affiliated European Certification Body GmbH (ECB) against certification fees and for audits carried out by ECB.
- 3.2 The validity of the vouchers may be up to two years. If the voucher is not redeemed, it will become invalid at the end of the following year and the amount will rest with ECB due to the services made available.

§ 4 Members recruit members

4.1 Members have the opportunity to recruit new companies. As soon as the application for membership has been processed successfully and the annual membership fee of the new member has been paid, the existing member will receive a refund of 500 € on his own membership fee the following year. Only one credit per year is possible, regardless of the number of new members recruited.