

WORKING AGREEMENT

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS WORKING AGREEMENT?

(FOR EXAMPLE, ESTABLISH CLEAR EXPECTATIONS AND GUIDELINES FOR HOW THE TEAM WILL COLLABORATE EFFECTIVELY.)

WHAT VALUES WILL GUIDE OUR INTERACTIONS AND DECISIONS AS A TEAM? (EXAMPLES: TRUST, TRANSPARENCY, RESPECT, INCLUSION, ETC.)







COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES

- PREFERRED COMMUNICATION CHANNELS: (EXAMPLES: SLACK, EMAIL, ZOOM, ETC.)
- RESPONSE TIME EXPECTATIONS: (EXAMPLE: RESPOND WITHIN 24 HOURS TO MESSAGES.)
- MEETING ETIQUETTE: (EXAMPLE: BE ON TIME, HAVE CAMERAS ON, COME PREPARED, ETC.)
- GIVING AND RECEIVING FEEDBACK: (EXAMPLE: USE A CONSTRUCTIVE TONE AND FOCUS ON SOLUTIONS.)

DECISION MAKING PROCESS

- WHO MAKES DECISIONS? (EXAMPLES: THE TEAM LEAD, CONSENSUS DECISION-MAKING, ETC.)
- HOW WILL DECISIONS BE MADE? (EXAMPLES: VOTING, MAJORITY RULE, CONSULTATION, ETC.)
- HOW WILL CONFLICTS OR DISAGREEMENTS BE RESOLVED? (EXAMPLE: USE A NEUTRAL THIRD PARTY IF NECESSARY OR REVISIT THE TEAM'S VALUES FOR GUIDANCE.)

Roles and Responsibilities

- KEY ROLES: DEFINE THE ROLES WITHIN THE TEAM. (EXAMPLES: PROJECT MANAGER, FACILITATOR, NOTE-TAKER, ETC.)
- EXPECTATIONS FOR EACH ROLE: CLARIFY WHAT IS EXPECTED FROM EACH ROLE IN THE TEAM.

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WORKLOAD & ACCOUNTABILITY

TASK MANAGEMENT

HOW WILL TASKS BE ASSIGNED AND TRACKED? (EXAMPLES: USE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT TOOLS LIKE TRELLO OR ASANA.)

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

HOW WILL INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS BE MONITORED? (EXAMPLE: WEEKLY CHECK-INS OR PROGRESS REPORTS.)

CONSEQUENCES FOR MISSED DEADLINES

WHAT HAPPENS IF DEADLINES ARE MISSED OR A TEAM MEMBER DOES NOT MEET THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES?

TEAM NORMS

- **BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS:** (EXAMPLES: BE RESPECTFUL, GIVE EVERYONE A CHANCE TO SPEAK, ETC.)
- **HANDLING CONFLICTS:** HOW WILL INTERPERSONAL CONFLICTS BE MANAGED? (EXAMPLE: USE A MEDIATOR IF NEEDED. FOCUS ON RESOLUTION RATHER THAN BLAME.)

REVIEW & REVISE

- **REVIEW FREQUENCY:** HOW OFTEN WILL THE WORKING AGREEMENT BE REVIEWED? (EXAMPLES: QUARTERLY, AT THE END OF EACH PROJECT, ETC.)
- **WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THE AGREEMENT IS FOLLOWED?** (EXAMPLE: THE TEAM LEAD WILL MONITOR ADHERENCE TO THE AGREEMENT.)
- **PROCESS FOR UPDATING:** WHAT'S THE PROCESS FOR REVISING THIS AGREEMENT IF NEEDED? (EXAMPLE: ANY TEAM MEMBER CAN SUGGEST CHANGES, WHICH WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE GROUP.)