XYZ Company HR & Benefits Handbook

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This handbook summarizes the core HR policies, working arrangements, and the benefits package applicable to all full-time and part-time employees of XYZ Company. In case of conflict with applicable law, the minimum legal requirements shall prevail. Policies are reviewed and updated regularly.

1) Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this handbook is to support a transparent, fair, and inclusive workplace; to clearly outline employee rights and responsibilities; and to provide a common reference on leave, benefits, expenses, and working arrangements. This document covers employees employed in Türkiye. Regional differences, if any, are specified in the appendices.

2) Guiding Principles

Equality & Inclusion: Equal opportunity in hiring, promotion, compensation, and benefits. Discrimination, harassment, and mobbing are strictly prohibited.

Transparency: Policies and processes are documented. Employees are informed of changes that affect them.

Data Privacy: Personal data are processed for legitimate purposes with appropriate technical and organizational safeguards; only authorized personnel have access.

3) Working Arrangements & Flexibility

Working Hours: The weekly working time is 45 hours. With flexible scheduling, start/end times may be set with your manager in line with team needs.

Hybrid/Remote Work: Roles may be hybrid or fully remote. Remote workspaces are expected to be safe, ergonomic, and privacy-compliant.

Overtime: Overtime requires prior manager approval and is compensated or time-off-in-lieu per applicable law.

4) Leave Policies

Annual Paid Leave: XYZ Company applies seniority-based annual leave entitlements as shown below. Minimum legal requirements are always observed.

| Seniority | Annual Leave (Days) |
|--------------|---------------------|
| 1 - 5 years | 14 |
| 5 – 15 years | 20 |
| 15+ years | 26 |

Sick Leave: Medical leaves supported by a valid health report are handled in accordance with law and company practice. Notify your manager and HR as early as possible.

Parental Leaves: In addition to statutory maternity/paternity/adoption entitlements, XYZ Company provides paid parental leave. +10 business days for the birthing parent; +5 business days for the spouse/partner.

Education Leave: Up to 3 business days of paid education leave per year for approved programs.

Unpaid Leave: May be granted in exceptional cases with manager and HR approval.

Public Holidays

If work is performed on official public holidays, compensation or time-off-in-lieu is provided in line with applicable law and company practice.

5) Benefits Package

XYZ Company offers a competitive package to enhance the employee experience. The table below summarizes standard benefits; details may vary by role, level, and location.

| Benefit | Coverage / Limit / Notes | |
|--------------------------|--|----------|
| Meal Card | Monthly net support; adjusted for city and field condition | ons. |
| Transportation | Public transport/company shuttle or monthly allowance | . |
| Private Health Insurance | Employee + spouse/children options; annual check-up | |
| Life Insurance | Base coverage; optional top-ups available. | |
| Remote Work Stipend | Monthly internet/ergonomics support (invoice required |). |
| Equipment | Laptop, monitor, headset; refresh every 2 years. | |
| Learning Budget | Annual individual learning budget: courses/certification | s/books. |
| Sports & Wellbeing | Corporate gym discounts or monthly wellness allowand | e. |

Using Your Benefits

Benefits are generally non-transferable. Company assets must be returned upon exit. Meal/transportation supports are calculated based on actual working days in the relevant period.

6) Travel & Expense Policy

Travel Approval: All domestic/international travel must be approved in the system before incurring expenses. Except for emergencies, unapproved expenses may not be reimbursed.

Flights & Accommodation: Balance cost and comfort. For flights over 3 hours, economy plus (or similar) may be considered. Typical hotel class is 4-star.

Per Diem: Paid within location-based limits. Receipts are required.

Expense Submission: File claims within 10 days after the spend, with receipts uploaded to the system. Non-compliant items may be excluded.

7) Code of Conduct & Workplace Safety

Ethical Conduct: We expect honesty, respect, and professionalism. Conflicts of interest must be disclosed; anti-bribery and anti-corruption principles are strictly applied.

Harassment & Mobbing: Any form of harassment and mobbing violates company policy. Reporting channels operate under confidentiality; misuse may also be a disciplinary matter.

Occupational Health & Safety: OHS rules are mandatory for offices and field sites. Ergonomics, emergency evacuation plans, and fire drills are conducted regularly.

8) Information Security & Confidentiality

Access Controls: Role-based access with the principle of least privilege.

Data Classification: Internal, confidential, and highly confidential classes exist. Customer data must be processed only in authorized environments.

Company Assets: Device encryption, screen lock, strong passwords, and MFA are mandatory. Lost/stolen devices must be reported immediately.

9) Requests & Approvals

Leave Requests: Annual/parental/education leaves are requested via the HR system at least 5 business days in advance. In urgent health situations, this requirement may be waived.

Benefits Usage: Private health plan changes can be made during open enrollment. Equipment requests are processed via the IT portal.

Expense Approvals: Single or dual approval flows apply depending on expense type. Justification is required for limit exceedances.

10) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Can I split my annual leave?

Yes, provided it does not disrupt team plans. For requests shorter than 5 business days, alignment with your manager is required.

How are meal/transport benefits handled during remote work?

Calculated based on your location and actual working days; the policy may be updated periodically.

• My equipment is broken—what should I do?

Open a ticket via the IT portal; you will be guided for repair/replacement.

Can I add my family to private health insurance?

Yes. Extra premiums may be reflected as employee co-pay; see the plan document for details.

Is flexible work possible after childbirth?

A phased return or part-time model may be evaluated considering role/team needs.

11) Contacts & Acknowledgement

Questions: hr@xyzcompany.com | IT Support: it@xyzcompany.com | Travel & Expenses: finance@xyzcompany.com

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understood this handbook. Latest versions will be accessible via the HR portal.

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