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# **Gratuities Policy**

#### 1. Policy Statement

The Payment of Wages (Amendment) (Tips and Gratuities) Act, 2022 ("the Act") will commence on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. This policy will give clear guidance on how voluntary tips, gratuities and service charges are shared between Crown Quarter employees.

## 2. Purpose

To ensure that Crown Quarter clearly displays our policy on tips and gratuities for our guests and employees on how they are distributed between relevant employees.

## 3. Definition of Tip, Gratuity & Service Charge.

A 'tip or gratuity' is a payment made by a customer which they assumed would be kept by the employee or shared with other employees.

It is either:

- Voluntarily made to, or left for an employee or group of employees
- Voluntarily made to Crown Quarter

Voluntary service charges are the same as a tip or a gratuity. Mandatory service charges are charges that must be paid by the customer, on top of the cost of the product or service. All mandatory service charge applied to a customer's bill as a 'service charge' will be treated by Crown Quarter in the same way as electronic tips or gratuities. This means that mandatory service charges can only be added to a bill if the money goes to employees.

## 3. Scope

This policy applies to all our team members who are employed by Crown Quarter who receive tips and gratuities for their service delivery.

### 4. Policy Elements

- 4.1. Crown Quarter applies a "Tronc" system in application of tips and gratuities. The tronc system is a special pay arrangement that lets the departments fairly share staff tips, gratuities and service charges given by customers.
- 4.2. Electronic tips received by Crown Quarter will be distributed fairly and in a transparent way. The following factors will be considered when deciding how to distribute tips, including:
  - The number of hours worked
  - The team members role in service delivery
- 4.3. Crown Quarter will process your electronic tips received during a particular period and how much was paid to you. This will be paid through your payslip. If you require a detailed breakdown, please contact the wages team for details. You will receive this statement within 10 days of the tips and gratuities being distributed on request.
- 4.4. Employees engaged in tasks involving customers and alliance partners are required to always wear company-designated uniforms while working and representing Crown Quarter.
- 4.5. Tips & Gratuities Notice Our guests at Crown Quarter have the right to know what service charges are used for and who they go to. We will clearly display our policy on how cash and card tips, gratuities and service charges are distributed through our "Tronc" system and payroll system based on hours worked and team members role in service delivery.
- 4.6. Service charges can be used against the following service areas:
  - The sale of beverages (including intoxicating liquor) or food for consumption on the premises at which such beverage or food is sold.
  - The sale of beverages (including intoxicating liquor) or food by means of casual trading.
  - The accommodation of overnight guests on a commercial basis in a hotel, guesthouse, hostel, bed and breakfast, self-catering accommodation facility or any similar accommodation facility.