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H. LIMITATION ON AND EXCLUSION OF DAMAGES FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY. THE LIMITATION ON AND EXCLUSION OF DAMAGES CLAUSE ABOVE APPLIES TO BREACHES OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE. YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM COUNTRY TO COUNTRY.
Please note: As this software is distributed in Quebec, Canada, some of the clauses in this agreement are provided below in French.

Remarque : Ce logiciel étant distribué au Québec, Canada, certaines des clauses dans ce contrat sont fournies ci-dessous en français.

GARANTIE LIMITÉE

A. GARANTIE LIMITÉE. Si vous suivez les instructions, le logiciel fonctionnera dans son ensemble comme il est décrit dans la documentation de Microsoft reçue avec ou dans le logiciel.

B. DURÉE DE LA GARANTIE ; BÉNÉFICIAIRE DE LA GARANTIE ; DURÉE DE TOUTE GARANTIE IMPLICITE. La garantie limitée couvre le logiciel pendant un an après son acquisition par le premier utilisateur. Si vous recevez des compléments, des mises à jour ou un logiciel de remplacement au cours de cette année, ils seront couverts par la garantie pendant la durée restante ou pendant 30 jours, la période la plus longue étant retenue. Si le premier utilisateur transfère le logiciel, la durée restante de la garantie s’applique au destinataire.

Dans la limite autorisée par la loi en vigueur, toute garantie ou condition implicite dont vous bénéficiez prendra fin au terme de la garantie limitée. Certains États n’autorisent pas les limitations portant sur la durée d’une garantie implicite, de sorte que les limitations ci-dessus peuvent ne pas vous être applicables. Elles peuvent également ne pas vous être applicables, car certains pays n’autorisent pas les limitations portant sur la durée d’une garantie ou condition implicite.

C. EXCLUSIONS DE LA GARANTIE. Cette garantie ne couvre pas les problèmes engendrés par vos propres actes (ou absences d’actes), ceux de tiers ou tout autre événement indépendant de la volonté de Microsoft.

D. RECOURS DANS LE CADRE DE LA VIOLATION DE GARANTIE. Nous nous engageons à réparer ou à remplacer le logiciel gratuitement. Si nous ne pouvons pas le réparer ni le remplacer, nous rembourserons le montant que vous avez payé pour le logiciel figurant sur le reçu. Nous nous engageons à réparer ou à remplacer les compléments, les mises à jour et le logiciel de remplacement gratuitement. Si nous ne pouvons pas les réparer ni les remplacer, nous rembourserons le montant que vous avez payé pour ces composants, le cas échéant. Vous devez désinstaller le logiciel et le renvoyer à Microsoft avec une preuve d’achat pour vous faire rembourser. Ces recours sont les seuls dont vous disposez dans le cadre de la violation de garantie limitée.

E. DROITS DES CONSOMMATEURS NON AFFECTÉS. Vous pouvez bénéficier de droits des consommateurs supplémentaires dans le cadre du droit local, que ce contrat ne peut modifier.

F. PROCÉDURES RELATIVES AUX RÉCLAMATIONS DANS LE CADRE DE LA GARANTIE. Vous devrez fournir une preuve d’achat pour obtenir de l’aide en matière de garantie.

1. États-Unis et Canada. Pour obtenir de l’aide en matière de garantie ou des informations sur la procédure à suivre pour vous faire rembourser un logiciel acquis aux États-Unis et au Canada, mettez-vous en rapport avec Microsoft
   - (800) MICROSOFT ;
   - Microsoft Customer Service and Support, One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA 98052-6399 ; ou

2. Europe, Moyen-Orient et Afrique. Si vous avez acquis le logiciel en Europe, au Moyen-Orient ou en Afrique, Microsoft Ireland Operations Limited offre cette garantie limitée. Pour faire une réclamation au titre de cette garantie, vous devez vous mettre en rapport avec
   - Microsoft Ireland Operations Limited, Customer Care Centre, Atrium Building Block B, Carmanhall Road, Sandyford Industrial Estate, Dublin 18, Irlande ; ou
   - votre filiale nationale de Microsoft (visitez le site www.microsoft.com/worldwide).


G. AUCUNE AUTRE GARANTIE. La garantie limitée est la seule garantie directe de Microsoft. Nous n’accordons aucune autre garantie ou condition expresse. Dans toute la mesure permise par le droit local, les garanties implicites de qualité marchande, d’adéquation à un usage particulier et d’absence de contrefaçon sont exclues. Si le droit local vous accorde des garanties ou conditions implicites, nonobstant la présente exclusion, les recours dont vous disposez sont ceux présentés dans la clause de recours dans le cadre de la violation de garantie ci-dessus, dans la limite autorisée par le droit local.
H. LIMITATION DES DOMMAGES-INTÉRÊTS ET EXCLUSION DE RESPONSABILITÉ DANS LE CADRE DE LA VIOLATION DE GARANTIE. La clause de limitation des dommages-intérêts et exclusion de responsabilité ci-dessous s’applique aux violations de cette garantie limitée.

La présente garantie vous confère des droits légaux spécifiques et vous pouvez également bénéficier d’autres droits qui varient d’un État à l’autre. Vous pouvez également bénéficier d’autres droits qui varient d’un pays à l’autre.

LIMITATION DES DOMMAGES-INTÉRÊTS ET EXCLUSION DE RESPONSABILITÉ POUR LES DOMMAGES. Vous pouvez obtenir de Microsoft et de ses fournisseurs une indemnisation en cas de dommages directs uniquement à hauteur du montant que vous avez payé pour le logiciel. Vous ne pouvez prétendre à aucune indemnisation pour les autres dommages, y compris les dommages spéciaux, indirects ou accessoires et pertes de bénéfices.

Cette limitation concerne

- toute affaire liée au logiciel, aux services ou au contenu (y compris le code) figurant sur des sites Internet tiers ou dans des programmes tiers ; et
- les réclamations au titre de violation de contrat ou de garantie ou condition, ou au titre de responsabilité stricte, de négligence ou d’une autre faute dans la limite autorisée par la loi en vigueur.

Elle s’applique également, même si

- la réparation, le remplacement ou le remboursement du logiciel ne compense pas intégralement toute perte subie ; ou
- Microsoft connaissait l’éventualité d’un tel dommage.

Certains États n’autorisent pas l’exclusion ou la limitation de responsabilité pour les dommages indirects ou accessoires, de sorte que la limitation ou l’exclusion ci-dessus peut ne pas vous être applicable. Elles peuvent également ne pas vous être applicables, car votre pays n’autorise pas l’exclusion ou la limitation de responsabilité pour les dommages indirects, accessoires ou de quelque nature que ce soit.

EFFET JURIDIQUE. Le présent contrat décrit certains droits juridiques. Vous pourriez avoir d’autres droits prévus par les lois de votre État ou pays. Vous pourriez également avoir des droits à l’égard de la partie de qui vous avez acquis de logiciel. Le présent contrat ne modifie pas les droits que vous confèrent les lois de votre État ou pays si celles ci ne le permettent pas.