Insurance policy

Social Welfare Combined

Insurance cover provided

Public/products liability
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Transit
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Legal Expenses

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Policyholder services

We offer a range of exclusive services for policyholders, which provide practical advice and professional help from industry experts.

Care and health consultancy
Markel social welfare policyholders are entitled to one day's input from leading care and health consultancy, Janjer. Specific support can include policy and procedural reviews, assistance with tenders, complying with legislation and preparing for regulatory visits.

Cyber risks helpline
Markel cyber risks policyholders can access our helpline, provided by DAC Beachcroft to obtain expert legal and technical IT security guidance on issues arising from cyber and data protection risks.

Employer helpline and guides
Markel employment law protection policyholders can access our employer helpline and guides provided by employment law specialists at LHS Solicitors LLP. The employer helpline must be used whenever TUPE issues could potentially arise.

PR crisis management
Specified Markel policyholders have access to specialist public relations advice, public relations organisation, The Counsel House (TCH), to manage adverse press coverage should certain claims situations arise.

Please note:
Cyber risks helpline is available exclusively with cyber and data risks cover.

Employer helpline and guides is available exclusively with employment law protection cover.

PR crisis management is available exclusively with the following policy sections: directors and officers, management liability, executive liability and entity defence. For social welfare, community groups and not-for-profit management liability policyholders, PR crisis management is also available with general liability and professional liability.

For further information, please visit www.markelinternational.com/policyholderservices
Welcome

Welcome and thank you for choosing to buy your social welfare comprehensive policy from Markel.

This document, the schedule and any endorsement(s) attached form your policy. This document sets out the conditions of the insurance between you and us. Please carefully read the following and keep them in a safe place:

- this document,
- the schedule, and
- any endorsements that apply

The insurance contract
In return for payment of the premium shown in the schedule, we agree to insure you as described in each section of this document, subject to the terms and conditions contained in or endorsed on this policy.

The cover provided
The cover provided depends on which sections of cover you have chosen. It is important that:

- you check that the sections you have requested are included in the schedule
- you check that the information you have given us is accurate - see 'our reliance on the information provided to us' in the 'important information' section
- you notify your broker as soon as practicable of any inaccuracies in the information you have given us
- you comply with your duties under each section of cover and under this policy as a whole.

Exclusions
Your policy is subject to exclusions and these tell you what is not covered. You will find these in each section of cover.

Conditions
Your policy is subject to certain conditions. You will find these in the relevant section of cover that they apply to.

The meaning of highlighted words
Some of the words in this policy have a special meaning, we have highlighted these words in bold print. Some of these words have the same meaning throughout this policy, these will be found under the section 'words with special meaning that apply throughout this policy (general definitions)'.

Other words only have a special meaning that is used in a specific section of cover or the meaning may vary from one section to another. The meaning of these words is found in the list of 'words with special meaning (definitions)' in each section of cover.
Important information

How to make a claim (excluding legal expenses)
If you want to make a claim under this policy, either:

- contact your insurance broker, or
- contact us by
  - writing to our claims team at Markel (UK) Limited, Verity House, 6 Canal Wharf, Leeds LS11 5AS, or
  - emailing our claims team - claimsuk@markelintl.com

quoting your policy number and the name of the policyholder shown in the policy schedule.

If you wish to discuss a claim under the policy please phone our claims team on 0345 355 2227.

How to make a claim (legal expenses)
If you want to make a claim under the legal expenses section of cover, either:

- contact your insurance broker, or
- contact us by phoning our advice line on 0333 234 8001

If you wish to discuss a claim under the policy please phone our claims team on 0333 234 8001.

Things you must do
You must comply with the claims conditions. These can be found under 'claims conditions that apply to this policy as a whole (claims conditions)'.

All claims are required to be notified in writing in order for us to consider them under the insurance policy.

If you fail to comply with these conditions we may not pay your claim or any payment could be reduced.

Fraudulent claim
If you make a fraudulent claim under this policy:

- we are not liable to pay the claim, and
- we may recover from you any sums we have paid to you in respect of the claim, and
- we may write telling you that we are treating the contract as having been terminated with effect from the fraudulent act.

If we do write to you telling you that we are treating this policy as having been terminated:

- we will not be liable to you in respect of any relevant event occurring after the time of the fraudulent act. A relevant event is whatever gives rise to our liability under this policy (such as a loss, the making of a claim, or the notification of a potential claim), and
- we need not return any of the premium paid.
If this policy provides cover for any person who is not a party to the contract of insurance (‘a covered person’, for example an officer or an insured person), and a fraudulent claim is made under this policy by or on behalf of a covered person, we may exercise the same rights as above as if there was an individual contract of insurance between the covered person and us. However, the exercise of any of these rights shall not affect the cover provided under this policy for any other person.

In respect of any fraudulent claim under the management liability section of cover, we will not exercise our right to treat this policy as having been terminated.

Our reliance on the information provided to us
In deciding to accept this policy and in setting the terms and premium we have relied on the information you have given us. You must take care when answering any questions we ask by ensuring that all information provided is accurate and complete.

If you become aware that information you have given us is inaccurate you must inform us as soon as practicable.

The information you have provided us constitutes your fair presentation of risk.

A ‘fair presentation of the risk’ is one

- which discloses to us every material circumstance which you know of or ought to know of, or
  - gives us sufficient information to put us on notice that we will need to make further enquiries for the purpose of revealing those material circumstances, and
  - which makes that disclosure in a manner which is reasonably clear and accessible to us

and

- in which every material representation as to a matter of fact is substantially correct and every material representation as to a matter of expectation or belief is made in good faith.

A ‘material circumstance’ is one that would influence our decision as to whether or not to agree to insure you and, if so, the terms of that insurance. If you are in any doubt as to whether a circumstance is material you should disclose it to us.

If you fail to make a fair presentation of risk there are a number of remedies available to us which are set out in general condition 7 (breach of the duty of fair presentation) in the section ‘other conditions that apply to this policy as a whole (general conditions)’.

We will write to you if we intend to take one of these remedies.

How to cancel this policy
You can cancel this insurance (other than the management liability section of cover) at any time by writing to your broker.

We can cancel this insurance (other than the management liability section of cover) by giving you 30 days written notice. We will only do this for a valid reason, examples of valid reasons are:

- a change in risk occurring which means we can no longer provide you with insurance cover
- non-cooperation or failure to supply any information or documentation we request.

Cooling-off period
This policy has a cooling-off period of 14 days from either:
• the date you receive this insurance policy,

or

• the start of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule

whichever is the later.

**Refund of premium**

If we pay (or have agreed to pay) any claim, in whole or in part, then no refund of premium will be allowed.

If we haven’t paid (or agreed to pay) any claim, in whole or in part, then:

• if we cancel this policy you will be entitled to a refund of any premium paid, subject to a deduction for any time for which you have been covered. This will be calculated on a proportional basis. For example, if you have been covered for 6 months and the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is for 12 months, the deduction for the time you have been covered will be half the annual premium.

• if you cancel this policy within the cooling-off period we will return to you all of the premium paid without any deduction.

• if you cancel this policy outside the cooling-off period you will be entitled to a refund of any premium paid, subject to a deduction for any time for which you have been covered. This will be calculated on a proportional basis.

If the premium is paid by instalments the way we calculate the return premium may differ, please refer to general condition 2 (premium payment) in the section other conditions that apply to this policy as a whole (general conditions)’.

**How to make a complaint**

Our aim is to ensure that all aspects of your insurance are dealt with promptly, efficiently and fairly. At all times we are committed to providing you with the highest standard of service.

If you have any questions or concerns about your policy or the handling of a claim you should, in the first instance, contact your insurance broker.

In the event that you remain dissatisfied and wish to make a complaint you can do so at any time by either writing to: or to:

Markel (UK) Limited
Verity House
6 Canal Wharf
Leeds
LS11 5AS

Markel International Insurance Company Ltd
20 Fenchurch Street
London
EC3M 3AZ

Complaints that cannot be resolved in this way may be referred to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

If you wish to make a complaint regarding the legal expenses section of cover you can do so at any time by writing to:

Markel Legal Expenses Insurance
20 Fenchurch Street
London
EC3M 3AZ

LEI.complaints@markel.com

Complaints that cannot be resolved in this way may be referred to the Financial Ombudsman Service.
If a complaint cannot be resolved under the legal expenses section of cover then you may be able to refer the complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service who will arbitrate over the matter if they are able to.

If you were sold this product online or by other electronic means and within the European Union (EU) you may refer your complaint to the EU Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) platform. Upon receipt of your complaint the ODR will escalate your complaint to your local dispute resolution service - this process is free and conducted entirely online.

You can access the ODR platform on http://ec.europa.eu/odr

**The Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS)**
The FOS is an independent service in the UK for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services. You can find out more information on the FOS at www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

The contact details for the FOS are:
The Financial Ombudsman Service
Exchange Tower
London E14 9SR

Telephone: 0800 023 4567 (calls to this number are free from 'fixed lines' in the UK, or 0300 123 9123 (calls to this number are charged at the same rate as 01 and 02 numbers on mobile tariffs in the UK)

Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

In certain situations you will not be able to refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

If you are a large business with an annual turnover of over two million euros (or the equivalent in pounds sterling) and you employ more than 10 employees, you are not eligible to refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. If you are unsure whether you are able to refer your complaint, please contact the Financial Ombudsman Service.

Making a complaint does not affect your right to take legal action.

**Details of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme**
Under the Financial Services & Markets Act 2000 you may be able to claim from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. The level of compensation is different depending on the type of cover you hold:

- compulsory insurance, such as employers liability, is covered for 100% of the claim
- for other insurances 90% of the claim is covered with no upper limit
- further information can be obtained by visiting the Financial Services Compensation Scheme website on www.fscs.org.uk or by telephoning 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100.

**Language**
This policy and all correspondence between you and us in relation to this policy (including any correspondence in relation to a claim) shall be in English.

**Regulatory authorities**
We are authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and
the Prudential Regulation Authority (Financial Services number 202570) and registered in England with company number 966670 with a registered office at 20 Fenchurch Street, London EC3M 3AZ.

Data protection
Your insurance cover includes cover for individuals who are either insureds or beneficiaries under the policy (individual insureds). We collect and use relevant information about individual insureds to provide you with your insurance cover and to meet our legal obligations.

This information includes individual insureds' details such as their name and address (and may include more sensitive details such as information about their health and criminal convictions).

We will process individual insureds' details, as well as any other personal information you provide to us in respect of your insurance cover, in accordance with our full Markel privacy notice, a copy of which is available online at <http://www.markelinternational.com/foot/privacy-policy/> or on request.

Information notices
To enable us to use individual insureds' details in accordance with current data protection laws, we need you to provide those individuals with certain information about how we will use their details in connection with your insurance cover.

You agree to provide to each individual insured our short form information notice set out in our proposal forms or available on request on or before the date that the individual becomes an individual insured under your insurance cover or, if earlier, the date that you first provide information about the individual to us.

Minimisation and notification
We are committed to using only the personal information we need to provide you with your insurance cover. To help us achieve this, you should only provide to us information about individual insureds that we ask for from time to time.

You must promptly notify us if an individual insured contacts you about how we use their personal details in relation to your insurance cover so that we can deal with their queries.

Rights of third parties
A person who is not a party to this policy has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 (or any amendment or re-enactment of the Act) to enforce any term of this policy but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from the Act.

Sanctions limitation
We will not provide any benefit under this contract of insurance to the extent of providing cover, payment of any claim or the provision of any benefit where doing so would expose us to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanction, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

Brexit
We will not provide any benefit under this contract of insurance to the extent of providing cover, payment of any claim or the provision of any benefit where the regulatory risk location is within the European Economic Area (EEA) excluding the United Kingdom.

Choice of law
The law of England and Wales will apply to this contract unless at the commencement of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule you are a resident of (or, in the case of a business, the registered office or principal place of business is situated in) Scotland, in which case (in the absence of agreement to the contrary) the law of Scotland will apply.
Any legal proceedings between you and us in connection with this policy will take place in the courts of the part of the United Kingdom in which you live or have your registered office.
Words with special meanings that apply throughout this policy (general definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this policy.

Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Business** means your activities, profession or occupation that you have told us about and which we have confirmed are acceptable to us for the purpose of this insurance.

**Clinical trials** means the systematic investigation or study of humans carried out to:
- discover and/or verify the effects and or reactions of substances including medical, pharmaceutical or similar products or drugs; or
- verify the safety and performance of a medical device under normal conditions of use.

**Computer equipment** means any:
- computer
- electronic data processing device, equipment or system

and includes any:
- hardware
- software programme instruction
- data
- component

utilised or intended to be utilised in or by the computer or electronic data processing device, equipment or system.

**Computer virus** means any corrupting, harmful or unauthorised instructions or code that spreads itself through a computer system or network including malware, 'Trojan horses', 'worms' or 'time or logic bombs'.

**Contamination** means the
- contamination
- poisoning
- prevention or limitation of use

of objects due to the effects of chemical or biological substances.

**Costs and expenses** means legal costs and expenses incurred
• by us, or
• by you (provided we have agreed with you in writing that you may incur these costs and expenses)

but does not include

• damages and costs awarded against you
• any kind of payment for work or service due to you.

Crisis response service means public relations specialist services that we provide.

Discovery period means the period immediately following the expiry of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule during which

• a claim, or
• circumstance for which cover is provided under the appropriate section of cover can be reported to us.

Insured, you, your, yours. The meaning of these words can vary depending upon which section of cover they appear in. Their meaning is given under 'words with special meanings (definitions)' under each section of cover.

When these words appear in 'other conditions that apply to this policy as a whole' then they will have the meaning which is given in the relevant section of cover.

Mould means any permanent or impermanent fungus (including mould or mildew but not including dry rot) or any of the spores, scents or by-products produced by a fungus regardless of whether or not they are proved to have caused any disease, injury or damage.

Mould event means any actual, alleged or threat of:
• contact with
• exposure to
• inhalation of
• absorption of
• discharge of
• dispersal of
• seepage of
• migration of
• release of
• escape of
• presence of
• growth of
mould.

**Our, us, or we** means Markel International Insurance Company Limited.

**Pollution** means the:

- discharge
- dispersal
- release, or
- escape
of any irritant or contaminant.

**Proposal** means all the information supplied to **us** (whether by written, electronic or any other means) for the purpose of effecting this policy.

**Terrorism** means any act of terrorism (including the use or threat of violence) of any person or group of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation or government committed for:

- political
- religious
- ideological
- or similar purposes including the intention to influence or overthrow any government (whether by right or not) and/or
- putting the public or any section of the public in fear.

**United Kingdom** means England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

**Unlawful association** means any unlawful organisation which is engaged in terrorism including any organisation which at any relevant time is a proscribed organisation within the meaning of the Terrorism Act 2000 or any amendment or re-enactment of that act.

**War** means:

- war
- invasion
- act of foreign enemies
- hostilities or warlike operations (whether or not war is declared)
- civil war
- rebellion
- revolution
- insurrection
• civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising mutiny or usurped power.
Claims conditions that apply to this policy as a whole (claims conditions)

1. Notification of claims

You must notify us in writing

- within 7 days in respect of riot damage
- as soon as possible in respect of all other claims or requests for payment of
- any claim made against you or an officer
- the receipt of any communication of an intention to make a claim against you or an officer
- any cause, event or circumstance which could or does involve you and may lead to a claim under the legal expenses section of cover
- the discovery of any act of fraud or dishonesty by any employee or any reasonable cause for suspicion of fraud or dishonesty by an employee
- any circumstance of which you or an officer shall become aware which is likely to give rise to
  - a claim against you or an officer, or
  - the instigation of disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings, extradition proceedings or tax investigation, or
  - you or an officer seeking payment under this policy

You must give us

- your reasons for your anticipation of a claim, disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings, extradition proceedings or tax investigation, or request for payment
- full details of dates and persons involved.

In respect of the

- professional liability
- management liability
- entity defence
- employment law protection
- fidelity
- cyber and data risks
- legal expenses
sections of cover, your notification to us must be within the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule. If you comply with the above then any subsequent

- claim made, or
- disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings, extradition proceedings or tax investigation instigated, or
- request for payment

will be regarded as having been made, instigated or requested during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

2 General claims handling

- you must give us all the information and co-operation that we may reasonably request
- you must not do anything which might prejudice us
- you must take all reasonable steps to prevent any further claim or request for payment under this policy
- you must not admit liability or settle any claim or incur any costs and expenses without our written consent
- you must tell the police as soon as possible of any damage or loss involving theft or attempted theft, malicious damage or vandalism or any loss of money

and, in respect of subsection k (public relations crisis management) of the management liability section of cover, subsection a (public relations crisis management) of the entity defence section of cover, subsection a (data loss) and subsection g (public relations crisis management) of the cyber and data risks section of cover

- you must comply with our recommendations or the recommendations of our public relations specialist and/or our IT security specialist as directed
- you must take all reasonable and practicable measures to avoid or reduce costs relating to the crisis or data breach.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

3 Business interruption

You must, at your expense,

- give us in writing the details of your request for payment within one month (or within any other further time that we agree to) of the expiry of the cover period
- give us your books of account and other business books, vouchers, invoices, balance sheets and other documents, proofs, information, explanation and other evidence that we request together with (if we ask) a statutory declaration of the truth of the claim and anything connected with it.

If you fail to do this your claim under the business interruption section of cover, may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

4 Losses involving fraud or dishonesty

You must, at your own expense, give us
• full written details of your loss, and

• proof of the correctness of your claim

within three months (or whatever other period we may agree in writing) of

• the discovery of any act of fraud or dishonesty by an employee, or

• any reasonable cause for suspicion of fraud or dishonesty by an employee.

If you fail to do this your claim under the fidelity section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

5 Medical examinations

You must ensure that

• the insured person agrees to any medical examination which we may require at our expense.

• in the event of death we are allowed, at our expense, to arrange a post mortem examination.

If you fail to do this your claim under the personal accident section of cover or the money and personal assault section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

6 Defence of claims

• we are entitled to take over the defence or settlement of any claim in your name

• under the professional liability section of cover and the employment law protection section of cover, you will not be required to contest any legal proceedings unless a mutually agreed counsel advises that the proceedings should be contested.

• you are entitled at your own risk to contest any claim or legal proceedings which in our opinion should be compromised or settled but, if you choose to do this, we will not be liable for any loss incurred as a result of your refusal to compromise or settle the claim or legal proceedings.

• in respect of the management liability section of cover,

  o you or the officer have a duty to defend any claim, disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings or extradition proceedings.

  o we have the right, but not the obligation, to actively associate with you or the officer in the settlement or handling of any claim, disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings or extradition proceedings.

  o you have the right, subject to our written consent, to appoint any appropriately qualified legal representative to deal with any claim notified to us in accordance with claims condition 1 (notification of claims).

7 Salvage

We may enter any building in which damage has occurred and deal with the salvage, however, no property may be abandoned to us.

8 Payment of indemnity limit

In respect of the
• professional liability
• public/products liability
• management liability
• entity defence
• employers liability
• employment law protection
• fidelity, and
• cyber and data risks
• legal expenses

sections of cover, we are entitled at any time to pay you or the officer:
• the limit (or as much of it as remains available), or
• any lesser sum for which any claim can be settled.

If we do this we will not be under any further liability to you or the officer in respect of the claim.

9 Electronic data processing media valuation

Despite any provision relating to the basis of settlement of any request for payment under this policy, if electronic data processing media insured by this policy suffers physical damage that is insured by this policy then the basis of valuation will be the cost of the blank media plus the cost of copying the electronic data from back-up or from originals of a previous generation.

If the media is not repaired, replaced or restored the basis of valuation will be the cost of the blank media.

The costs will not include:
• research and engineering or any costs of recreating, gathering or assembling the electronic data.
• any amount relating to the value of the electronic data to you or any other party even if the electronic data cannot be recreated, gathered or assembled.

10 Loss of documents

Any payment under subsection g (loss of documents) of the property damage section of cover must be supported by bills or accounts which will be subject to our approval.

11 Legal expenses

We will only cover claims under the legal expenses section of cover where you have obtained our written consent to incur costs and expenses. We will give our consent for you to incur costs and expenses provided that you can satisfy us throughout your claim that

• it is reasonable and proportionate (in relation to your claim) to incur costs and expenses
• other than under the following sections of cover there are reasonable prospects of success,
  • criminal defence - interview under caution
If during the course of your claim you no longer satisfy us of the above, cover under this policy for costs and expenses will be withdrawn and any costs and expenses incurred or awarded on or after the date of withdrawal will not be covered whether we previously agreed to them or not.

We will only pay costs and expenses which are directly relevant to your claim.

We may also require you to obtain a legal opinion from counsel at your expense to satisfy us that there are reasonable prospects of success and it is proportionate (in relation to your claim) to incur costs and expenses.

If based on Counsel's opinion we are satisfied in respect of the above the costs and expenses of obtaining that opinion will be paid by us. We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause.

If we reject your claim solely due to a lack of reasonable prospects of success, we will pay costs and expenses that are proportionate to the legal and/or financial remedy achieved, subject to the terms and conditions of this policy if:

- you proceeded with the legal action which formed your claim to its conclusion with a court, tribunal or equivalent having issued a successful judgment in your favour (excluding any settlement, mediation, alternative dispute resolution or equivalent resolution process)
- you were defending the judgment and were found not at fault
- you were pursuing the judgment and were awarded the remedy you were seeking at the time we rejected your claim
- you tell us about it as soon as possible

You must inform us as soon as an offer of settlement is received and you must obtain our consent before you make or respond to any offer of settlement.

In any settlement you must:

- take into account the prospects of the case and likely future costs and expenses
- try to recover as much costs and expenses as possible

If you reject an offer of settlement which we recommend acceptance of or make an offer which we do not agree with, no further cover will be provided and we may seek to recover from you costs and expenses we have paid.

At our discretion, instead of paying you for costs and expenses, we can choose to pay:

- the damages you are likely to be awarded by a Court or Tribunal, or
- the amount of money being claimed against you or the amount of money the other party will settle for, whichever is the least

If we do this, we will not be under any further liability to you in respect of the claim.

You must co-operate with us and your representative at all times during the course of your claim this includes

- allowing us and your representative to communicate directly with each other about your case
providing a full and truthful account of your case and with all necessary documentation or evidence

attending any meetings as required

instructing your representative to provide us with information, documentation or evidence we require (even if privileged) and regular updates including when anything negatively affects the factors we took into account in accepting your claim.

If the outcome of your case is that another party is found responsible for reimbursing you for some or all of your costs and expenses, you and your representative must make every effort to fully recover those costs and expenses which you must re-pay to us.

If the legal case was settled and the terms of the settlement do not specify the split between damages and costs and expenses then a fair and reasonable proportion of that settlement will be treated as costs and expenses and paid to us.

If any money is recovered from the other party then that money will be treated as costs and expenses and repaid to us first until all costs and expenses have been repaid to us.

A copy of all invoices for costs and expenses you receive from your representative should be forwarded to us within 30 days of the date the invoice was issued. If we require, you must ask your representative to send the costs for assessment by a court or tribunal or to a costs lawyer of our choice.

You are responsible for the payment of all costs and expenses. We will reimburse you for the costs and expenses covered under your policy. We may settle these costs and expenses directly if we choose to do so.

If you wish to appeal against the judgment or decision of a court or tribunal or if there is an appeal against a judgment that is in your favour, we will consider providing further cover if

• we covered the initial legal proceedings that are being appealed as a claim and cover was not withdrawn

• the grounds for the appeal were submitted to us as soon as possible and before any deadline set by the Court or Tribunal

If we require, you must co-operate in an appeal against the judgment or decision of a Court or Tribunal.

In all cases your representative will be appointed in your name and on your behalf.

We will choose a representative to act on your behalf other than at the point of an inquiry or legal proceedings where you will have freedom to choose your representative subject to us approving your choice.

You will also have freedom to choose your representative if there is a legal conflict of interest between you and us subject to us approving your choice.

When selecting your representative, you must have regard to your duty to minimise the cost of any claim.

The name and address of your chosen representative must be notified to us in writing. We will accept your choice if

• we are satisfied that your chosen representative will co-operate with us and enable you to comply with the terms and conditions of your policy

• the representative has the necessary experience to deal with the dispute
• the representative’s charging rates are fair and reasonable in regard to the dispute

A dispute arising from your choice of representative may be referred to arbitration in accordance with the information provided at the beginning of this document ‘how to make a complaint’

You must not enter into any agreement with your representative as to the basis of calculation of costs and expenses without our written consent.

If in any claim your representative wishes to instruct counsel or an expert the following must be submitted to us for our approval

• the expert’s or Counsel’s name
• details of their expertise
• charging rates and estimated cost
• an explanation of the need for such instruction
Other conditions that apply to this policy as a whole (general conditions)

1 Subrogation

We will be entitled to take over and undertake in your name, or in the name of the officer, all your rights of recovery against anyone before or after any payment under this policy.

You or the officer will give us all the assistance we may require to exercise those rights of recovery.

We agree not to exercise those rights under the professional liability section of cover and the cyber and data risks section of cover against any director or member of yours or any employee unless the claim is brought about or contributed to by the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission of the director, member or employee.

We agree, under all section of covers apart from

- the professional liability section of cover
- the public/products liability section of cover
- the management liability section of cover
- the employers liability section of cover
- the employment law protection section of cover

not to exercise those rights against any company that is a subsidiary or parent company of yours. ('Subsidiary' or 'parent' company being defined by current legislation).

2 Premium payment

Despite any other conditions relating to cancellation, if payment of the premium has been arranged on a deferred basis with a premium finance company which has entered into a contractual agreement with Markel (UK) Limited to provide premium credit facilities, then it is agreed that

- if payment of any instalment to the premium finance company is overdue, Markel (UK) Limited may, in accordance with the authority granted to the premium finance company by you under the terms of the Credit Agreement, accept cancellation instructions from the premium finance company and will allow a return pro-rata premium to the premium finance company provided there have been no claims or circumstances known or reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule

- all premiums due or returned will be processed by the premium finance company in accordance with the Credit Agreement.

3 Notice

Any notice under this policy will be regarded as given

- to us if sent by prepaid post to Markel (UK) Limited, Verity House, 6 Canal Wharf, Leeds, LS11 5AS

- to you or the officer if sent by post to your last known address.
4 Multiple insureds

Our liability under each section of cover is as shown in the section of cover. Our liability shall not be varied or regarded as varied because of the number or type of insureds or claims under the section of cover.

5 Non-aggregation

If payment is available under more than one section of cover the total amount payable under any one section of cover will be reduced by any amount payable under any other section of cover.

6 Breach of terms not relevant to the actual loss

If you or the officer fail to comply with a term (express or implied) of this policy (other than a term that defines the risk as a whole) and compliance with the term would tend to reduce the risk of a loss, either

- of a particular kind, and/or
- at a particular location, and/or
- at a particular time

we cannot rely on the breach of the term to exclude, limit or discharge our liability under this policy if you or the officer show that the failure to comply with the term could not have increased the risk of loss which actually occurred in the circumstances in which it occurred.

7 Breach of the duty of fair presentation

(a) breach of duty prior to entering into this contract of insurance

If you or the officer breach the duty of fair presentation prior to entering into this insurance contract, the remedies available to us are:

- if the breach of the duty of fair presentation is deliberate or reckless:
  - we may avoid this policy and refuse all requests for payment, and
  - we need not return any of the premium paid

- if the breach of the duty of fair presentation is not deliberate or reckless, our remedy will depend upon what we would have done if you or the officer had complied with the duty of fair presentation
  - if we would not have entered into the contract of insurance at all we may avoid this policy and refuse all requests for payment and will return the premium paid
  - if we would have entered into the contract of insurance but on different terms (other than terms relating to the premium), this policy will be treated as if it had been entered into on those different terms from the outset
  - in addition, if we would have entered into the contract but would have charged a higher premium we may proportionately reduce the amount to be paid under this policy and, if applicable, any amount already paid in the same proportion as the premium we would have charged bears to the premium actually charged.

(b) breach of duty prior to entering into a variation of this contract of insurance
If you or the officer breach the duty of fair presentation prior to entering into a variation of this insurance contract, the remedies available to us are:

- if the breach of the duty of fair presentation is deliberate or reckless:
  
  - we may treat this policy as having been terminated from the time when the variation was concluded, and
  
  - we need not return any of the premium paid

- if the breach of the duty of fair presentation is not deliberate or reckless, our remedy will depend upon what we would have done if you or the officer had complied with the duty of fair presentation
  
  - if we would not have agreed to the variation at all we may treat the contract as if the variation was never made and will return any extra premium paid
  
  - if we would have agreed to the variation but on different terms (other than terms relating to the premium), the variation will be treated as if it had been entered into on those different terms from the outset.

  in addition, if either

  - we would have increased the premium by more than we did or at all, or
  
  - we would not have reduced the premium as much as we did or at all, then

  we may proportionally reduce the amount to be paid under this policy arising out of events after the variation.
Public/products liability

What is covered

a  Public liability

We will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from

- injury to any person
- loss or damage to material property
- libel, slander or defamation
- wrongful arrest, imprisonment or eviction of any person
- wrongful accusation of shoplifting
- trespass, nuisance or any interference with right of way, by foot, air or water

occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule within the United Kingdom and happening in connection with your business.

We will not pay you under this subsection of cover (public liability) if your liability arises in any way from a product.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for any claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause is the limit.

The most we will pay for all claims in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule arising in any way from abuse is the limit.

In addition:

- we will pay your costs and expenses resulting from the claim. However, if your legal liability is more than the limit then the amount we will pay in respect of costs and expenses will be proportionally reduced.
- we will pay your solicitor’s fees that we agree to in writing for:
  - your defence in any court of summary jurisdiction of any proceedings brought against you for the breach or alleged breach of any statutory duty resulting in injury
  - your representation at a coroner’s court or fatal accident inquiry

provided that we believe that the breach, injury or death may result in a claim against you.

We will not pay the excess for any legal liability arising from loss or damage to material property. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to your legal liability for damages and costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause.

b  Products liability

We will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from:
• an injury to any person; or
• loss or damage to material property,

occurring anywhere in the world during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule caused by
the nature or condition of any product initially sold or supplied by you from within the United
Kingdom.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for all claims in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will
not exceed the limit.

In addition:

• we will pay your costs and expenses resulting from the claim, however, if your legal liability
  is greater than the limit then the amount we will pay in respect of cost and expenses will be
  proportionally reduced.

• we will pay your solicitor’s fees that we agree to in writing for:
  o your defence in any court of summary jurisdiction of any proceedings brought against you
    for the breach or alleged breach of any statutory duty resulting in injury
  o your representation at a coroner’s court or fatal accident inquiry
    provided that the breach, injury or death results in a claim against you.

c Public relations crisis management

We will pay you for costs resulting from the use, with our prior agreement, of the crisis response
service following

• any actual or alleged incident of abuse
• the death or injury
• the disappearance, misplacing or abduction

of any person in your care, first occurring and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in
the policy schedule, which could result in a claim under subsection of cover a (public liability) and
where, in our opinion, there is a risk to your business as a consequence of adverse press, publicity or
media attention.

In addition we will pay any other related costs agreed with us.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for costs resulting from
the use of the crisis response service is £25,000.

d Compensation for court attendance

If at our request:

• any director or partner of yours; or
• any employee,
attends a court as a witness in connection with a claim we will pay you the following amounts:

- for any director or partner £500 per day
- for any employee £250 per day

for each day on which attendance is required.

e Health and safety at work

We will pay your costs and expenses in your defence of any criminal proceedings (including a charge of manslaughter) brought against you for a breach of

- the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, or
- the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978, or
- any legislation amending or re-enacting the above

committed or alleged to have been committed in the course of your business during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will also pay your costs and expenses in an appeal against conviction and/or prosecution costs awarded against you arising from the above criminal proceedings.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for all costs and expenses in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £500,000. This amount is inclusive of and not additional to the amount we will pay under

- subsection of cover a (public liability), and
- subsection of cover b (products liability).

We will not pay you if the proceedings relate to the health, safety and welfare of an employee.

f Extensions to the public liability cover

Subsection of cover a (public liability) of this section of cover is extended to include the following:

1 Indemnity to principal

We will at your request pay any principal for whom you are completing a contract for the performance of work, to the extent required by the contract conditions.

However, we will only pay the principal if

- you would have been entitled to payment under subsection of cover a (public liability) had the claim been made against you
- the principal observes, fulfils and is subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy in the same way as you are.

2 Damage to hired or rented premises

Despite exclusion 10 (property damage) of this section of cover, we will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from loss or damage to premises and/or the premises' fixtures and fittings where
the premises are hired or rented by you for the purpose of your business.

We will not pay the first £250 of the damages and costs or costs and expenses unless the loss or damage results from fire or explosion. This must be paid by you.

We will not pay you if your legal liability arises from a tenancy agreement or any other agreement. However, we will pay you for any legal liability you would have had, had you not entered into the agreement.

3 Defective Premises Act 1972

We will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from a breach of

- section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972, or
- section 5 of the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975, or
- any legislation amending or re-enacting the above

in connection with premises which you have disposed of.

We will not pay you for the cost of rectifying any damage or defect in the premises.

4 Use of motor vehicles that do not belong to you (motor contingent liability)

Despite exclusion 11 (motor vehicles and vessels) of this section of cover, we will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from the use of any motor vehicle being used for the purpose of your business and which is

- not your property, and/or
- not provided by you.

We will not pay you for

- any damage to the vehicle or any property on or in the vehicle
- any liability resulting from the vehicle being driven by anyone other than an employee

where the vehicle is being used outside of the United Kingdom.

5 Overseas liability

The cover provided by subsection of cover a (public liability) is extended to include wrongful acts occurring anywhere in the world in respect of non-manual work.

The cover provided by subsection of cover a (public liability) is also extended to include wrongful acts committed in a personal capacity whilst you are outside of the United Kingdom in connection with your business but only in respect of injury and/or loss or damage to material property.

Despite exclusion 8 (legal action) of this section of cover, if an action for damages is brought in a court of law within the jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada then the most we will pay you in respect of
• your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you, plus

• costs and expenses

is the limit.

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from the ownership of any land or buildings.

6 Where there is more than one insured (cross liabilities)

If the insured comprises more than one person or entity then the cover provided by subsection of cover a (public liability) shall be interpreted as if a separate policy had been issued to each person or entity.

However, irrespective of the number of insureds, the total amount payable by us in respect of all insureds shall not exceed the limit.

7 Member to member liability

If any member of your

• canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations, or

• fire, ambulance, first aid, medical or security services

brings an action for damages against any other member then we will pay the member against whom the action is brought in the same way that we would pay you if the action had been brought against you.

However, we will only pay the member if they observe, fulfil and are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy as you are.

We will not pay the member if they are entitled to payment under any other insurance.

For the purpose of this extension we will regard any guest or voluntary helper as members.

8 Data Protection Act 1998

Provided that you do not provide computer services to others as part of your business we will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from

• section 13 of the Data Protection Act 1998, or

• any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act, or

• any legislation enacted into United Kingdom law for the transfer, storage, control or processing of information or data, for example General Data Protection Regulation

in connection with your business during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you

• where your liability results from your deliberate act or omission the result of which could reasonably have been anticipated

• where your liability results from any act of fraud or dishonesty
- where your liability arises from the recording, processing or provision of data for reward or to determine the financial status of any person
- where your liability results from data processed outside of the European Union
- if you do not have a data protection accountability statement which is reviewed at least annually.

Extensions to the products liability cover

Subsection of cover b (products liability) of this section of cover is extended to include the following:

9 Consumer protection and food safety

We will pay you for costs and expenses arising from the defence of any claim made against you which arises from a breach of
- part II of the Consumer Protection Act 1987, or
- sections 7, 8, 14 and/or 15 of the Food Safety Act 1990, or
- any legislation amending or re-enacting the above committed or allegedly committed in the course of your business during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule including costs and expenses in an appeal against conviction.

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from your wilful, reckless or intentional disregard of your duties under these Acts.

10 Product to product liability

Despite exclusion 17 (products) of this section of cover, we will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from loss or damage to a product after it has left your charge or control
- caused by another product supplied, installed or fitted by you or on your behalf under a separate contract; or
- when you are engaged in any operation not connected with the supply, installation or fitting of the original product.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any
- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
• the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
• pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds
and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
• riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

• war and/or terrorism
• any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
• any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

• contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc.

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.

5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the
payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

8 Legal action

**We** will not pay **you**

- where the claim is brought in a court of law outside the jurisdiction shown in the policy schedule for this section of cover, and/or
- where action for damages is brought in a court within that jurisdiction to enforce a foreign judgment.

9 Employers liability

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability arises in any way from

- **injury** to any **employee** that results from their employment by **you**, or
- a breach of any obligation **you** owe as an employer to any **employee** or prospective **employee**.

10 Property damage

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability arises in any way from loss or damage to

- property that belongs to **you**, or
- property or that part of any property on which **you** or anyone acting on **your** behalf are or have been working where the loss or damage is a direct result of the work, or
- property that is in **your** charge, custody or control or in the charge, custody or control of an **employee**, other than
  - the personal property of **your** directors, partners, visitors or **employees**, or
  - premises (including fixtures, fittings and contents) that are not owned, hired or rented by **you** but are temporarily occupied by **you** for the purpose of **your** business.

11 Motor vehicles or vessels

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability arises in any way from the ownership, possession or use by **you** or on **your** behalf of

- any mechanically propelled vehicle for which insurance or security is required under road traffic legislation, however, this exclusion will not apply
  - when the vehicle is being used as a tool of trade (other than if compulsory insurance is required under road traffic legislation)
  - to the loading or unloading of the vehicle or the delivery or collection of goods to or from the vehicle
  - if the vehicle does not belong to **you** and is moved because it is interfering with the performance of **your** business (unless it is more specifically insured by another insurance policy when this exclusion will apply)
- anything that is made or intended to travel through water or air, however, this exclusion will not
apply to hand propelled watercraft of up to 8 metres in length when used on inland waterways.

12 Professional services

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability arises in any way from

- the provision of, or the failure to provide, professional services
- any breach of a professional duty owed.

13 Clause 21.2.1 insurance (JCT standard form of building contract)

**We** will not pay **you** for damage to property if **you** are required to arrange insurance under the terms of

- clause 21.2.1 of the 1980 edition of the Joint Contract Tribunal conditions of contract, or
- any later version or substitution of the above, or
- any other contract that requires **you** to obtain similar insurance.

14 Pollution

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability arises in any way from

- pollution, and/or
- the cost of removing, treating or cleaning up the pollution.

However, **we** will pay **you** if the pollution occurs anywhere other than the United States of America and/or Canada (including any dependency or trust territory) and provided:

- the pollution is caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident.
- the incident takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.
- all pollution arising from the incident will be regarded as having taken place at the time of the incident.
- all pollution arising from the incident will be regarded as one incident irrespective of the number of periods of insurance over which the pollution occurs.

The most **we** will pay for damages arising out of all pollution regarded as having occurred during any one period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed the limit.

15 Asbestos

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability arises in any way from the

- manufacture
- mining
- processing
- distribution
- testing
• remediation
• removal
• storage
• disposal
• sale
• use of, or
• exposure to

asbestos or materials or products containing asbestos.

16 Joint ventures

If you are part of a joint venture or consortium we will only cover you for your legal liability arising from your own acts or omissions; we will not pay you where your legal liability arises from the acts or omissions of other members of the joint venture or consortium.

17 Products

We will not pay you:

• for the cost of repair, alteration, removal, recall or replacement of a product or for the cost of its reduction in contract value.

• where you know that the product will be used in any aircraft or aerial device.

• where you know the product will be used in the petrochemical industry.

• where you know the product is exported to Canada or the United States of America or any dependency or trust territory.

• where your legal liability arises in any way from the sale, supply, processing, installation, servicing, repairing, altering, treating or renovation of second hand electrical goods or products

• gas appliances

• appliances containing or using flammable liquids.

18 Contractual liability (public liability)

We will not pay you under subsection of cover a (public liability) for any legal liability that results from an agreement that you have entered into if your liability is increased beyond that applicable in the absence of the agreement.

However, this exclusion will not apply if we are given the management and control of the claim.

19 Contractual liability (products liability)

We will not pay you under subsection of cover b (products liability) for any legal liability that results from an agreement that you have entered into if your liability is increased beyond that applicable in the absence of the agreement.
However, this exclusion will not apply where the liability arises out of a condition of warranty of goods implied by law.

20 Excluded activities

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from an excluded activity.

21 Play inflatables

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from the use of any play inflatable, or any inflatable of a similar kind, owned, operated or hired by you.

- However, this exclusion shall not apply if the play inflatable has a current PIPA test certificate and issued in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations, and

- supervised by a responsible adult when in use.

22 Fairground rides and amusements

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from the use of mechanical fairground amusements and/or rides owned, operated or hired by you.

However, this exclusion will not apply to any fairground equipment and/or rides which are owned and operated by any person who is a current member of the Showman’s Guild.

23 Clinical trials

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from a clinical trial.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Continuous, repeated or intermittent abuse

In respect of any claim under this section of cover that involves in any way continuous abuse

- the continuous abuse will be regarded as one originating cause

- subject to the clauses headed ‘what we will pay’, our liability under this section of cover in any one period of insurance for any claim or relating to any person who has suffered continuous abuse will be that proportion of the total claim which the period of insurance bears to the total period of the continuous abuse.

2 Specified activities

When specified activities are carried out,

- you will ensure that those specified activities are carried out:

  o under the supervision and control of a suitably qualified instructor authorised by and registered with a regulatory body

  o under the control of a club which is an authorised member of the regulatory body

  o in accordance with any code of practice or recommendations issued by the regulatory body

- you maintain all your rights and remedies against those instructors and/or clubs.
If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

3 Trampolines and similar equipment

You will ensure that when trampolines and similar equipment are used

- only one person is on the trampoline at any one time and is supervised on a one to one basis by a responsible adult;
- where the trampoline or similar equipment is owned, operated or hired by you
  - the trampoline is erected, maintained and used in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations
  - the trampoline is put away after use or made inaccessible.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

4 Ball pools

You will ensure that any ball pools owned, operated or hired by you are

- used, erected, maintained and cleaned in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations
- supervised by a responsible adult when in use
- only persons of similar age, weight or build use the ball pool at any one time
- checked daily to remove foreign items from the ball pool
- if soiled, evacuated and the affected balls removed and cleaned
- only used by persons who have removed all items of jewellery, keys, coins and similar items prior to entering the ball pool.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

5 British Pyrotechnists Association

You will ensure that when you engage any person, firm or company to provide fireworks or firework displays they are members of the British Pyrotechnists Association and

- at the time of the event have public liability insurance which provides cover of not less than £1,000,000
- you have seen and recorded evidence of that public liability insurance being in full force and effect.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

6 Playground equipment

You will ensure that all fixed playground equipment owned by and/or operated by you are

- inspected by you at least once a month and maintained in good condition; and
- will be inspected:
  - annually, and
in respect of new equipment, a post installation inspection is carried out
by a member of the Register of Play Inspectors International Ltd (RPII) and all subsequent recommendations are implemented.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

7 Fundraising events

You will ensure that, in respect of any fund raising event

- attendance at the event does not exceed 500 people at any one time
- alcohol or any other intoxicating substance is neither sold nor provided
- where approval for the event is required from the police and/or a competent authority it has been granted
- if the event involves the use of fireworks, firework displays or bonfires
  - it is organised in accordance with HSG124 ‘Giving your own firework display: How to run and fire it safely’
  - professional firework organisers are used and that they are members of the British Pyrotechnists Association.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

8 Calibration procedures and maintenance

You must ensure that all equipment utilised for the purpose of your business is calibrated and/or maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

9 Fire and electrical safety

You must ensure that

- a Gas Safe registered engineer
  - annually inspects and services all gas appliances (including portable heating appliances), fittings and flues, and
  - undertakes all necessary remedial work following the inspection and servicing
- a competent person authorised to undertake building regulations Part P (electrical safety) inspections
  - inspects and services all electrical equipment and appliances (including portable heating appliances) prior to their initial use and at least once every five years following the initial inspection and service
  - inspects the electrical system at least once every five years to ensure safety and compliance with current electrical regulations
- you provide adequate and suitable receptacles for the safe disposal of smoking materials in those areas of the premises where smoking is allowed.
If you fail to do this your claim under this section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

10 Deep-fat frying equipment precautions

Where you have any deep-fat frying equipment at the premises (other than a table top basket fryer) you must ensure that:

- a flame-failure device is fitted when such equipment is gas or oil-fired
- a thermostat is fitted preventing temperature of the fat or oil exceeding 205 degrees centigrade or the manufacturer’s recommended temperature whichever is the lower
- a non-self resetting temperature control is fitted which shuts off the heat source if the temperature of the fat or oil exceeds 230 degrees centigrade or the manufacturer’s recommended temperature whichever is the lower
- extraction of heat, fumes and/or combustion products is via either:
  - an integral duct, or
  - an overhead canopy and duct system vented directly to the opening
- all ducts and their fixings and/or supports are constructed of galvanised or stainless steel
- the grease trap, filter and other grease removal devices are cleaned at least once a week or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer
- the grease extract ducting is cleaned at least once a year or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer
- the equipment is serviced in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations at least once a year or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer
- the equipment is attended at all times by a competent person whilst the heat source is in operation
- an adequately sized fire blanket (meeting the appropriate British Standard) is kept at all times within the vicinity of the range.

If you fail to do this your claim under this section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

11 Battery charging

When charging batteries for battery powered wheelchairs, scooters or mobility aids you must ensure that:

- the batteries are charged in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations and, if the batteries are vented
- the batteries are charged in a dedicated, well ventilated area that is free of all combustible material and sources of ignition.

If you fail to do this your claim under this section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

12 Temporary portable heating appliances

Where portable heating appliances are used, you must ensure that
• only electrical or gas fired appliances are used
• they are
  o used, maintained and serviced, and
  o sited away from combustible materials
• in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations
• the heater is stable, sited and guarded so as to prevent burns from contact with hot surfaces, naked flames or electric bars
• all leads, cables or fuel pipes are adequately secured and protected so as not to present a trip hazard
• the heaters are turned off when the area in which they are being used is not occupied.

If **you** fail to do this **your** claim under this section of cover may not be covered or the amount **we** pay **you** may be reduced.

### Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Abuse** means physical, emotional or sexual abuse.

**Business.** In addition to the meaning given under ‘words with special meanings throughout this policy’ **business** also means

• **your** ownership, occupation and maintenance of land and/or buildings
• the provision and management of canteen, social, sports and welfare organisations for the benefit of **employees**
• the provision and management of ambulance, first aid and medical services for the benefit of **employees**
• the provision and management of fire and security services for the protection of premises owned or occupied by **you**
• private duties undertaken by an **employee** for **you** or, with **your** consent, for any director or partner of **yours** or any **employee**
• **fundraising events** that are organised by **you** or on **your** behalf.

**Continuous abuse** means continuous, repeated or intermittent abuse, maltreatment, molestation or harassment which does not arise from a sudden identifiable and unexpected event that occurs in its entirety at a specific time and place.

**Employee** means any person (other than a director of **yours**) who is or was, or who may become at some time in the future

• under a contract of service or apprenticeship with **you**,
• under a work experience or similar scheme, or
supplied to you, or

hired in or borrowed by you, or

a self-employed person, or

a volunteer

and who are working for you

under your direct control in connection with your business, and

they are normally resident in the United Kingdom.

**Excess** means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

**Excluded activity** means:

- barfly jumping, parkour, "street running", B.A.S.E. jumping, pole climbing, elastic rope sports or activities
- contact sports other than association football as an amateur
- driving of a motor vehicle by anyone not licensed to drive that vehicle on a public road (irrespective of whether or not the vehicle is being driven on a public road)
- hang gliding, flying (other than as a commercial fare-paying passenger)
- horse-riding (including pony trekking and equestrian sports) or other animal rides (other than when undertaken at an accredited British Horse Society stable)
- jet-skiing, water-skiing, sub-aqua diving
- martial arts (other than tai chi)
- motor sports including motorcycles and quad bikes
- paintballing
- raft racing, white water rafting
- road rallies, air displays
- shooting (other than clay-pigeon shooting),
- the following when they are not undertaken at activity centres registered with and licensed by the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority
  - adventure activities
  - outward bound courses
  - abseiling
  - rapelling
  - assault courses
- dirt, vert, street, flatland and BMX freestyle disciplines of BMX cycling; cross country, trail riding, all mountain, downhill, freeride, slopestyle dirt jumping and trials disciplines of mountain biking
- mountaineering, cliff or rock climbing without the use of ropes
- winter sports (other than curling or skating)

- use of fireworks, firework displays or bonfires

However, if the bonfires and firework displays
- are organised in accordance with HSG124 ‘Giving your own firework display; How to run and fire it safely’, and
- use professional firework display organisers who are members of the British Pyrotechnists Association, and
- have less than 500 attendees

then they will not be regarded as an excluded activity.

**Fundraising events** means

- anniversary parties/birthday parties
- baby show competitions
- bazaars
- charity auctions
- coffee mornings
- collections
- conferences/seminars
- craft fairs
- dances
- exhibitions/displays/flower shows
- fun runs and walks (other than those which require police and/or competent local authority approval)
- garden parties/street parties/barbecues
- golf days
- jumble sales/bring and buy sales/car boot sales
- training courses
- village hall/local theatre promotions, recitals or concerts
- any other event which we have agreed and confirmed in writing to you.

**Injury** means:
- bodily injury
- mental injury
- emotional distress
- shock
- sickness
- disease, or
- death.

**Insured, you, your, yours** means

- the person or persons, and/or
- the firm and all partners and former partners in the firm, and/or
- the limited liability partnership, and/or
- the trust, and/or
- the company

named as the policyholder in the policy schedule, and/or

- the estates, heirs or legal representatives of any natural person above who has died or become incapacitated, insolvent or bankrupt but only in relation to a claim against the policyholder.

In addition, if you request us to, we will pay the following persons in the same way that we would pay you provided that they observe, fulfil and are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy as you are:

- any governor, director, council member, member, officer or trustee of yours, or
- any employee, and
- any officer or member of your canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations, fire, ambulance, first aid, medical or security services (but only whilst they are acting in their capacity as an officer or member of the above organisations or services).

**Limit** means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

**Product** means any goods or products, including

- their containers
- labelling and instructions provided in connection with the goods or products

which are:

- sold
- supplied
• processed
• installed
• serviced
• repaired
• altered
• treated, or
• renovated

by you or on your behalf.

Professional services means the following services performed by you or on your behalf in connection with your business

• advocacy
• assessments
• consultancy work
• counselling
• design and implementation of care programmes
• diagnosis
• education, teaching and training
• investigations
• publishing
• remedial treatment
• research

Regulatory body means any of the following that are appropriate to the specified activity

• the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority
• the Amateur Swimming Association
• the British Association of Snowsport Instructors
• the British Balloon and Airship Club
• the British Canoe Union
• the British Gliding Association
• the British Parachuting Association
• the British Mountaineering Council
• the Civil Aviation Authority
• the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association
• the Grand National Archery Society
• the Maritime and Coastguard Agency
• the Mountain Leader Training Board
• the National Caving Association
• the Royal Yachting Association, and
• Snowsport England.

**Specified activity** means:

• adventure activities or outward bound courses undertaken at activity centres registered with and licensed by the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority
• archery
• ballooning
• clay-pigeon shooting
• dry slope skiing
• gliding
• mountaineering, cliff or rock climbing (including indoor climbing) with the use of ropes
• parachuting
• pot-holing or any subterranean activities
• sailing or canoeing
• swimming or diving (other than at a sports or leisure centre when undertaken under the supervision of suitably qualified lifeguards).

**Wrongful act** means:

• *injury* to any person
• loss or damage to material property

and, in respect of subsection of cover a (public liability):

• libel, slander or defamation
• wrongful arrest, imprisonment or eviction of any person
• wrongful accusation of shoplifting
• trespass, nuisance or any interference with right of way, by foot, air or water.
Professional liability

What is covered

a  Civil liability

We will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim first made against you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from any actual or alleged

- negligence
- unintentional breach of confidentiality
- unintentional breach of copyright
- libel, slander or defamation
- any other actual or alleged act, error or omission that results in a civil liability

committed during the carrying out of your professional services.

In addition we will pay

- your costs and expenses resulting from the claim
- your solicitor’s fees that we agree in writing for
  - your defence in any court of summary jurisdiction of any proceedings brought against you for the breach of any statutory duty resulting in injury
  - your representation at a coroner’s court or fatal injury inquiry provided that the breach, injury or death may result in a claim against you.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for all claims in total plus all costs and expenses is the limit.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to your legal liability for damages and costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause.

b  Public relations crisis management

We will pay you for costs resulting from the use, with our prior agreement, of the crisis response service following

- any actual or alleged incident of abuse, maltreatment or molestation
- the death or injury
- the disappearance, misplacing or abduction

of any person in your care, first occurring and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, which could result in a claim under this section of cover and where, in our opinion,
there is a risk to your business as a consequence of adverse press, publicity or media attention.

In addition we will pay any other related costs agreed with us.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service is £25,000.

c Compensation for court attendance

If at our request

- any director or partner of yours, or
- any employee

attends a court as a witness in connection with a claim we will pay you the following amounts:

- for any director or partner £500 per day
- for any employee £250 per day

for each day on which attendance is required.

d Discovery period

If we refuse to renew this section of cover (professional liability) for reasons other than

- non-payment of premium, or
- failure to comply with or observe the terms, provisions and conditions of this policy

or if you decline to accept our renewal terms, then you will automatically be entitled to a 30 day discovery period.

The discovery period will only apply to wrongful acts first committed or allegedly committed during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

You will not be entitled to any discovery period if other insurance has been bought with the intention of providing equivalent cover for any part of the discovery period.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties and liquidated damages

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages
- liquidated damages arising from any agreement entered into by you where your liability is increased beyond that applicable in the absence of the agreement.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc.

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or
arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds

and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only

- riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- war and/or terrorism
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

- contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

5 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

6 Legal action

We will not pay you

- where the claim is brought in a court of law outside the jurisdiction shown in the policy schedule for this section of cover, and/or
- where action for damages is brought in a court within that jurisdiction to enforce a foreign judgment.
7 Employers liability

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from

- injury to any employee that results from their employment by you, or
- a breach of your responsibility as an employer to any employee or prospective employee.

8 Property

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from the ownership, possession or use by you or on your behalf of any

- land
- buildings
- aircraft
- watercraft, or
- mechanically propelled vehicle.

9 Dishonest and malicious acts

We will not pay you where your legal liability results from any

- dishonest
- fraudulent
- criminal, or
- malicious

act or omission committed by any person after the discovery of reasonable cause for suspicion of that person.

In addition:

- no one will be entitled to payment in respect of any legal liability and/or costs and expenses resulting from their dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission or from condoning that act or omission.
- we will deduct from any amount payable by us:
  - any amounts due from you to the person committing or condoning the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission
  - any amounts held by you and owed to the person committing or condoning the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission
  - any amounts recovered following action in accordance with general condition 1 (subrogation) of this policy.

10 Joint ventures

If you are part of a joint venture or consortium we will only cover you for your legal liability arising from your own acts or omissions; we will not pay you where your legal liability arises from the acts or omissions of other members of the joint venture or consortium.
11 **Circumstances known at inception**

If you knew or ought to have known of any circumstances that existed prior to the date that this section of cover started then we will not pay you for any legal liability that arises from those circumstances.

12 **Retroactive date**

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from the carrying out of your professional services prior to the retroactive date.

13 **Pollution**

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from or in any way involves pollution.

14 **Products**

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from or in any way involves any product.

15 **Insolvency or bankruptcy**

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from your insolvency or bankruptcy.

16 **Financial interest**

We will not pay you for any claim made against you by

- any parent company, ultimate holding company or subsidiary company, or
- any person or entity having a financial, executive or controlling interest in your operation, or
- any company or entity in which you or any director, member or partner of yours has a financial, executive or controlling interest.

However, we will pay you if the claim is one for payment or contribution in respect of a claim made by an independent third party against the company, person or entity making the claim against you.

17 **Trading losses**

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from

- any trading losses, or
- any trading liabilities, or
- any debts incurred

by any business managed by or carried on by you.

18 **Funding exclusion**

We will not pay you where your legal liability and costs awarded against you and/or costs and expenses arise in any way from any dispute between you and the following providers of finance or funds in relation to your legal entitlement to, or obtaining of, the finance or funds

The providers of finance to which this exclusion applies are:

- a non enterprise, or government business enterprise, or a government agency; or
• a local authority or local authority agency; or
• a European Union funding agency.

19 Healthcare professional

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from you acting in your professional capacity as a doctor, surgeon, physician, midwife, prescribing nurse (except when acting in a nursing capacity only), dentist, or anaesthetist.

20 Asbestos

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from or involves the manufacture, mining, processing, distribution, testing, remediation, removal, storage, disposal, sale, use or exposure to asbestos or materials or products containing asbestos.

21 Intellectual property rights

We will not pay you for any claim alleging any breach of intellectual property rights including: copyright, patent, registered design, trade mark, passing off.

However, we will pay you if the claim alleges unintentional breach of confidentiality or unintentional breach of copyright.

22 Clinical Trials

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from you conducting a clinical trial.
Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Medical malpractice

You will ensure that any doctor, surgeon, physician, midwife, prescribing nurse, (other than when acting in a nursing capacity only), dentist or anaesthetist who is employed by you or contracted to provide services for you will:

- be a current member of their recognised UK governing professional body or association; and
- have in place their own insurance or arrangements of a similar kind to insure against their professional errors, omissions, negligence or malpractice.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

2 Calibration procedures and maintenance

You must ensure that all equipment utilised for the purpose of your professional services is calibrated and/or maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

3 Maintenance of rights and remedies

You must maintain all your rights and remedies against all service providers, designers, consultants or contractors that you engage.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

4 Fire and electrical safety

You must ensure that

- a Gas Safe registered engineer
  - annually inspects and services all gas appliances (including portable heating appliances), fittings and flues, and
  - undertakes all necessary remedial work following the inspection and servicing
- a competent person authorised to undertake building regulations Part P (electrical safety) inspections
  - inspects and services all electrical equipment and appliances (including portable heating appliances) prior to their initial use and at least once every five years following the initial inspection and service
  - inspects the electrical system at least once every five years to ensure safety and compliance with current electrical regulations
- you provide adequate and suitable receptacles for the safe disposal of smoking materials in those areas of the premises where smoking is allowed.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

5 Deep-fat frying equipment precautions

Where you have any deep-fat frying equipment at the premises (other than a table top basket fryer)
you must ensure that

- a flame-failure device is fitted when such equipment is gas or oil-fired
- a thermostat is fitted preventing temperature of the fat or oil exceeding 205 degrees centigrade or the manufacturer's recommended temperature whichever is the lower
- a non-self resetting temperature control is fitted which shuts off the heat source if the temperature of the fat or oil exceeds 230 degrees centigrade or the manufacturer's recommended temperature whichever is the lower
- extraction of heat, fumes and/or combustion products is via either
  - an integral duct, or
  - an overhead canopy and duct system vented directly to the opening
- all ducts and their fixings and/or supports are constructed of galvanised or stainless steel
- the grease trap, filter and other grease removal devices are cleaned at least once a week or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer
- the grease extract ducting is cleaned at least once a year or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer
- the equipment is serviced in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations at least once a year or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer
- the equipment is attended at all times by a competent person whilst the heat source is in operation
- an adequately sized fire blanket (meeting the appropriate British Standard) is kept at all times within the vicinity of the range.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

6 Battery charging

When charging batteries for battery powered wheelchairs, scooters or mobility aids you must ensure that

- the batteries are charged in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations
- and, if the batteries are vented
- the batteries are charged in a dedicated, well ventilated area that is free of all combustible material and sources of ignition.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

7 Temporary portable heating appliances

Where portable heating appliances are used, you must ensure that

- only electrical or gas fired appliances are used
- they are
used, maintained and serviced, and
sited away from combustible materials
in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations

- the heater is stable, sited and guarded so as to prevent burns from contact with hot surfaces, naked flames or electric bars
- all leads, cables or fuel pipes are adequately secured and protected so as not to present a trip hazard
- the heaters are turned off when the area in which they are being used is not occupied.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Employee means any person (other than a director of yours) who is (or was or who may be in the future):

- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
- under any work experience or similar scheme, or
- supplied to or hired in or borrowed by you, or
- self-employed persons
- a volunteer

and who are working for you

- under your direct control in connection with your business, and
- they are normally resident in the United Kingdom.

Excess means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

Injury means

- bodily injury
- mental injury
- emotional distress
- shock
- sickness
- disease, or
- death.
**Insured, you, your, yours** means

- the person or persons, and/or
- the firm and all partners and former partners in the firm, and/or
- the limited liability partnership, and/or
- the trust, and/or
- the company

named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

In the event of the death, incompetency, incapacity, bankruptcy or insolvency of any natural person named as this policyholder or partner or former partner of this policyholder then it also means

- the estate, and/or
- the heirs, and/or
- the legal representatives (including anyone to whom their rights or liabilities have been legally transferred or anyone appointed to act for them)

of the person or partner concerned.

In addition, if you request us to, we will pay the following persons in the same way that we would pay you provided that they observe, fulfil and are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy as you are:

- any governor, director, council member, member, officer or trustee of yours, or
- any employee

**Limit** means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

**Product** means any goods or services, including

- their containers
- labelling and instructions provided for the goods or services

which are

- sold
- supplied
- processed
- installed
- serviced
- repaired
- altered
treated, or

renovated

by you or on your behalf.

**Professional services** means the following services performed by you or on your behalf in connection with your business:

- advocacy
- assessments
- consultancy work
- counselling
- design and implementation of care programmes
- diagnosis
- education, teaching and training
- investigations
- publishing
- remedial treatment
- research

**Retroactive date** means either

- the date when this section of cover was first incepted, or
- where equivalent cover to that provided under this section of cover has been continuously maintained immediately prior to the inception of this section of cover, then it means the date that applied to that equivalent cover.

**Wrongful act** means any actual or alleged

- negligence
- unintentional breach of confidentiality
- unintentional breach of copyright
- libel, slander or defamation
- any other actual or alleged act, error or omission that results in a civil liability
Management liability

What is covered

a Officer's liability

We will pay any officer for their legal liability for damages and costs awarded against them arising from any claim first made against them and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from any actual or alleged wrongful act, error or omission committed or attempted by an officer during the performance of their duties as an officer of yours including

- breach of any duty including fiduciary or statutory duty
- breach of trust
- negligence, negligent statement, misleading statement or negligent misrepresentation
- libel, slander or defamation
- wrongful trading as defined under United Kingdom law
- breach of warranty or authority, or
- any other act, error or omission committed by them in their capacity of an officer of yours.

Related, continuous or repeated wrongful acts, or wrongful acts that are connected by the same cause, shall constitute a single wrongful act.

In addition we will pay

- the officer's costs and expenses resulting from the claim.
- punitive or exemplary damages awarded against the officer where the payment is lawfully allowed under this policy.
- the premium paid by the officer for insurance or bonds which, in certain jurisdictions, are required to begin an appeal.

If claims are made against both you and the officer and those claims arise from the same wrongful act, we will pay the officer's costs and expenses in full even if those costs and expenses incidentally benefit you. However, this does not apply if the wrongful act is an employment wrongful act.

However, if you are legally allowed to pay the officer under your Memorandum or Articles of Association, trust deed, constitution or charter for their legal liability and we reimburse you or make that payment on your behalf under subsection of cover h (reimbursement), then we will not make any payment under this subsection of cover a (officers liability).

b Outside board cover

We will pay any officer for their legal liability for damages and costs awarded against them arising from any claim first made against them and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from any actual or alleged wrongful act, error or omission committed or attempted by an officer during the performance of their duties as an officer of the outside company when they hold the position of officer at your written request including

- breach of any duty including fiduciary or statutory duty
• breach of trust
• negligence, negligent statement, misleading statement or negligent misrepresentation
• libel, slander or defamation
• wrongful trading as defined under United Kingdom law
• breach of warranty or authority
• any other act, error or omission committed by them in their capacity of an officer of the outside company.
• related, continuous or repeated wrongful acts, or wrongful acts that are connected by the same cause, shall constitute a single wrongful act.

In addition we will pay
• the officer's costs and expenses resulting from the claim.
• punitive or exemplary damages awarded against the officer where the payment is lawfully allowed under this policy.
• the premium paid by the officer for insurance or bonds which, in certain jurisdictions, are required to begin an appeal.

c Disqualification proceedings

We will pay any officer for costs and expenses arising from disqualification proceedings which are first ordered or commissioned and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will not pay any amount which the officer recovers from the organisation and where we pay the organisation under subsection of cover h (reimbursement).

d Investigation costs

We will pay any officer for costs and expenses arising from an investigation which is first ordered or commissioned and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will not pay any amount which the officer recovers from you and where we pay you under subsection of cover h (reimbursement).

e Environmental proceedings

We will pay any officer for costs and expenses arising from environmental proceedings which are first ordered or commissioned and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will not pay any amount which the officer recovers from you and where we pay you under subsection of cover h (reimbursement).

f Extradition proceedings

We will pay any officer for costs and expenses arising from extradition proceedings which are first ordered or commissioned and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will not pay any amount which the officer recovers from you and where we pay you under subsection of cover h (reimbursement) below.
g Manslaughter claims cover

We will pay any officer for costs and expenses arising from proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 (or any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act) which are first ordered or commissioned and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will not pay any amount which the officer recovers from you and where we pay you under subsection of cover h (reimbursement).

h Reimbursement

If you are legally allowed to pay on behalf of an officer any amount which the officer would otherwise be entitled to payment by us under the following subsections of cover:

- a (officer's liability)
- c (disqualification proceedings)
- d (investigation costs)
- e (environmental proceedings)
- f (extradition proceedings)
- g (manslaughter claims cover)

then we will reimburse you for that payment.

i Discovery period

If we refuse to renew this section of cover for reasons other than:

- non-payment of premium, or
- failure to comply with or observe the terms, provisions and conditions of this policy

or if any officer or you declines to accept our renewal terms, then the officer or you shall automatically be entitled to a 30 day discovery period.

The discovery period shall only apply to:

- wrongful acts
- disqualification proceedings
- investigations
- environmental proceedings
- extradition proceedings
- proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

first committed or allegedly committed, ordered or commissioned during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

The discovery period can be extended from 30 days to:
• 90 days subject to an immediate payment to **us** of 25% of the premium applicable to this section of cover.

• 180 days subject to an immediate payment to **us** of 50% of the premium applicable to this section of cover.

• 12 calendar months subject to an immediate payment to **us** of 100% of the premium applicable to this section of cover.

The extension of the **discovery period** must be requested within 30 days of the expiry of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule and can only be extended once.

The **officer** or **you** shall not be entitled to any **discovery period** if other insurance has been bought with the intention of providing equivalent cover for any part of the **discovery period**.

If a **discovery period** is also provided under subsection of cover **j** (retired officers) then the two **discovery periods** shall run concurrently.

**j Retired officers**

If, for any reason, **we** or any **officer** or **you** refuse to renew this section of cover a **retired officer** shall automatically be entitled to a 72 calendar months **discovery period**. The **discovery period** shall only apply to:

• wrongful acts
• disqualification proceedings
• investigations
• environmental proceedings
• extradition proceedings
• proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 first committed or allegedly committed, ordered or commissioned during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

The **retired officer** shall not be entitled to any **discovery period** if other insurance has been bought with the intention of providing equivalent cover for any part of the **discovery period**.

If a **discovery period** is also provided under subsection of cover **i** (discovery period) then the two **discovery periods** shall run concurrently.

**k Public relations crisis management**

**We** will pay any **officer** for costs resulting from the use, with **our** prior agreement, of the **crisis response service** following a **crisis**.

In addition **we** will pay any other related costs agreed with **us**.

**l Non-executive directors**

If the **limit** of this section of cover and any other cover that the **officer** is entitled to is completely used up, **we** will consider the **limit** to be increased by a further 10% but only in respect of **costs and expenses** incurred in the **officer’s** capacity as a non-executive director of **yours**.

**m Emergency costs and expenses**
If our prior written consent cannot reasonably be obtained before an officer becomes subject to costs and expenses (or costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service) then we will agree to pay these up to a maximum of 10% of the limit.

**Compensation for court attendance**

If at our request

- any officer of yours, or
- any employee

attends a court as a witness in connection with a claim we will pay you the following amounts:

- for any officer £500 per day
- for any employee £250 per day

for each day on which attendance is required.

**What we will pay**

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for

- all claims in total, plus
- all costs and expenses, plus
- all punitive or exemplary damages, plus
- all premiums for insurance or bonds required to begin an appeal

is the limit.

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service is £25,000. This amount is in addition to the limit.

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for costs and expenses arising from environmental proceedings is £250,000. This amount is not in addition to the limit.

**What is not covered (exclusions)**

1. **Fines and penalties**

   We will not pay you or an officer for any fine or penalty.

2. **Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc.**

   We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

   - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
   - the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
• pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only

• riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

• war and/or terrorism

• any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism

• any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

• contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Mould

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

5 Other insurance

We will not pay an officer or you where they or you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if they have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

6 Legal action

We will not pay an officer or you

• where the claim is brought in a court of law outside the jurisdiction shown in the policy schedule, and/or

• where action for damages is brought in a court within the jurisdiction shown in the policy schedule to enforce a foreign judgment.

• where disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings or extradition proceedings are ordered or commissioned outside the jurisdiction shown in the policy schedule.

7 Employment disputes
If

- you are an unincorporated body, or
- the employment law protection section of cover has been chosen then We will not pay an officer or you for
- an employment wrongful act
- an investigation in respect of employment discrimination or health and safety.

8 Dishonest and malicious acts

We will not pay an officer or you if the officer admits to dishonest, fraudulent or malicious conduct or if this is established in a judgment or final ruling.

This exclusion does not apply to any shareholder action where the loss in value of the share capital is a result of the dishonest, fraudulent or malicious conduct of the officer.

9 Remuneration

We will not pay an officer or you to the extent of any remuneration of any kind that is due to any officer or employee.

10 Prior and pending litigation

We will not cover any claim made against any officer or you or pay any costs and expenses arising from

- a wrongful act
- disqualification proceedings
- an investigation
- environmental proceedings
- extradition proceedings
- any proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act

arising in any way from any previous or known litigation or proceedings (including allegations from the same or essentially the same facts) involving an officer, you or an outside company that was first started prior to the date that this section of cover came into force.

We will not cover any claim, proceedings or circumstances which have been reported or notified under any contract of insurance which this section of cover renews or replaces.

11 Pollution

We will not pay an officer or you in respect of any claim or proceedings arising from or in any way involving pollution.

This exclusion does not apply to subsection of cover e (environmental proceedings).

This exclusion does not apply to any shareholder action where the loss in value of the share capital is a result of pollution.

12 Injury or property damage
**We** will not cover any claim for

- **injury** to any person
- loss, damage, destruction or loss of use of property.

This exclusion does not apply to emotional distress arising from

- libel, slander or defamation
- **employment wrongful act** (provided the employment law protection section of cover has not been chosen)

This exclusion does not apply to the criminal prosecution of any **officer** for manslaughter in relation to your activities.

This exclusion does not apply to any **shareholder action** where the loss in value of the share capital is a result of **injury** or loss, damage, destruction or loss of use of property.

### 13 Pension funds

**We** will not pay an **officer** or you in respect of any claim or proceedings arising from the **officer** acting in the capacity of trustee or administrator of any pension, retirement or superannuation scheme or programme created for the benefit of an **officer** or employee.

### 14 Takeover or merger

**We** will not cover any actual or alleged **wrongful act** committed or attempted after the effective date of your takeover or merger by or with any person or entity.

**We** will not cover any **disqualification proceedings**, **investigations**, **environmental proceedings** or **extradition proceedings** instigated after the effective date of your takeover or merger by or with any person or entity.

### 15 Professional duties to third parties

**We** will not cover any claim made by a third party for any breach of any professional duty owed to that party.

This exclusion does not apply to any **shareholder action** where the loss in value of the share capital is a result of breach of professional duty owed.

### 16 Claims made by any outside company

**We** will not cover any claim made by or on behalf of any **outside company** and/or any director, officer or trustee of the **outside company**.

This exclusion does not apply to

- any claim in respect of any **employment wrongful act** concerning the employment of the director or officer of the **outside company**
- any claim brought by any shareholder or bondholder of the **outside company** (which is made without any solicitation by, or assistance or participation of, any director, officer or trustee) due solely to any actual or alleged loss in value of the share capital of the **outside company**
- **costs and expenses** in the defence of any claim made by or on behalf of any **outside company**
• and/or any director, officer or trustee of the **outside company**
• any claim for contribution brought by any director, officer or trustee of the **outside company** if the claim directly results from any other claim or payment under this section of cover
• any claim brought by any person who is no longer a director, officer or trustee of the **outside company**
• any claim brought by a liquidator, receiver or administrative receiver due to the insolvency of the **outside company**.

**We** will not cover any claim made by or on behalf of any person who controls more than 15% of the issued share capital of any **outside company**.

17 **Punitive and exemplary damages (employment)**

**We** will not cover the cost of any punitive or exemplary damages awarded in relation to any claim arising from or in any way involving an **employment wrongful act**.

This exclusion shall not apply to exemplary damages in respect of employment related libel, slander or defamation.

18 **Charities**

If **you** and/or the **outside company** are a registered charity then **we** will not pay an **officer** or **you**

• in respect of any claim or proceedings arising from a **wrongful act** which the **officer** knew to be a breach of duty or which was committed by the **officer** in reckless disregard of whether it was a breach of trust or duty or not
• for the unsuccessful defence to a criminal prosecution brought against the **officer** in their capacity as an **officer** or **yours** or an **officer** of the **outside company**.

19 **Funding exclusion**

**We** will not pay an **officer** or **you** where the **officer**'s and/or your legal liability and/or **costs and expenses** arise in any way from any dispute between the **officer** or **you** and the following providers of finance or funds in relation to your legal entitlement to, or obtaining of, the finance or funds.

The providers of finance to which this exclusion applies are:

• a non enterprise, or government business enterprise, or a government agency; or
• a local authority or local authority agency; or
• a European Union funding agency.

**Conditions that apply to this section of cover**

1 **Unintentional non-disclosure**

**You** or the **officer** must have provided the **proposal** with reasonable skill and care and after having made all reasonable and appropriate enquiries.

Despite general condition 7 (breach of the duty of fair presentation):

• If **you** or the **officer** have made any misrepresentation or non-disclosure of any material facts or circumstances then **we** will not avoid this section of cover
unless either:

- **we** reasonably believe the misrepresentation or non-disclosure was deliberate or reckless;
- **we** would not have underwritten this section of cover on any terms if the facts or circumstances had been disclosed or not misrepresented

and provided that

- where **you** or the **officer** should have notified **us** during a preceding period of insurance to that shown in the policy schedule of a claim or the instigation of disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings or extradition proceedings and the cover to which **you** or the **officer** would have been entitled was in any way more restrictive than that provided at the date of notification **we** will only be liable to the extent available during that preceding period of insurance;
- where **you** or the **officer** have prejudiced the handling or settlement of any claim, disqualification proceedings, investigation, environmental proceedings or extradition proceedings, the amount **we** will pay **you** will be reduced to the amount which, in **our** opinion, would have been payable in the absence of the prejudice.

- Subject to the above, if **you** or the **officer** make any misrepresentation or non-disclosure of any material facts and **we** would still have underwritten this section of cover but on different terms had the facts been disclosed or not misrepresented, then **we** may instead:
  - reduce proportionately the amount paid or payable on any claim by reference to the ratio which the premium actually charged bears to the premium which **we** would have charged had **you** or the **officer** told **us** about a material fact or circumstance. The same reduction will be applied to any claims which have already been paid and any overpayment of claims by **us** will be repaid by **you** or the **officer**; and/or
  - treat this section of cover as if it had included such additional terms (other than terms relating to premium) as **we** would have imposed had **you** or the **officer** told **us** about a material fact or circumstance. These additional terms will apply equally to existing, past and future claims.

- **We** will not deny payment on the grounds of the breach of claims conditions 1 or 2 of this policy subject to the above.

## 2 Cancellation

Neither an **officer** nor **you** have a right to cancel this section of cover or to reduce the cover provided.

**We** will only consider a request for cancellation or a reduction in cover if **we** are reasonably satisfied that the request has been sanctioned by all the directors or **officers** whose rights under this section of cover are or may be affected.

Whether or not **we** agree to a request for cancellation or reduction in cover is at **our** complete discretion.

## 3 Offering

If **you** decide to make a public or private offering of **your** shares or other equity interest during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule then

- **you** shall provide **us** with
o any prospectus, and/or
o any offering statement, and/or
o any other information we may require

• we may at our discretion
  o amend the terms, limitations, exclusions and/or conditions of this section of cover, and/or
  o charge an additional premium.

4 Severability

Nothing in the proposal or otherwise known or done by any officer shall be attributed to any other person in determining any right or obligation of the officer under this section of cover.

In no case shall an officer be prevented from pursuing any point in his or her defence only because it is obstructive or harmful to the interests of any other officer.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Crisis means

• the allegation of a wrongful act committed by the officer during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule
• the successful defence of an allegation of a wrongful act originally alleged to have been committed by the officer during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule

where, in our opinion, there is a risk to the livelihood of the officer as a consequence of adverse press, publicity or media attention.

Crisis response service means public relations specialist services that we provide.

Disqualification proceedings means legal action taken against the officer following which they are liable to be disqualified from continuing to be an officer of yours.

Employee means any person (other than an independent agent, consultant, sub-contractor or professional advisor) who is (or was or who may be in the future):

• under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
• under a work experience or similar scheme, or
• supplied to or hired in or borrowed by you, or
• volunteers

and who are working for and under your direct control in connection with your business.

Employment wrongful act means any actual or alleged

• act or omission that results in a dispute in connection with the employment of an employee or
prospective employee, or

- retaliatory treatment

committed or allegedly committed by you.

**Environmental proceedings** means any

- prosecution
- official investigation
- examination
- inquiry, or
- other proceedings

by any official body or institution that has the authority or power to investigate your affairs and/or the affairs of the **outside company**, arising from pollution or alleged pollution.

**Extradition proceedings** means proceedings brought against the officer under

- the Extradition Act 2003, or
- any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act including any appeal relating to those proceedings.

**Injury** shall mean

- bodily injury
- mental injury
- emotional distress
- shock
- sickness
- disease
- or death.

**Investigation** means any

- official investigation
- examination
- inquiry, or
- other proceedings

(other than when arising from pollution or alleged pollution) by any official body or institution that has the authority or power to investigate your affairs and/or the affairs of the **outside company**, arising from pollution or alleged pollution.
Limit means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

Officer means

- any person who was, is, or during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule becomes a governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of yours.
- any natural person acting in the capacity as a director of yours (not including any administrator, liquidator, receiver or auditor).
- any shadow director as defined under United Kingdom law or similar legislation in any other country.
- any employee of yours.
- the lawful husband, wife or civil partner of any of the above, only because of their relationship, following a claim against the above.
- the estates, heirs or legal representatives of any of the above who has died or become incapacitated, insolvent or bankrupt but only in relation to a claim against the above.

Outside company means

- any company that is not a subsidiary company
- any registered charity
- any trade, research, promotional, training or similar organisation existing for non-profit making purposes (whether incorporated or not)
- any profit-sharing or share option committee, sports, social or similar association or organisation (whether incorporated or not) that is established or conducted for the officers and their family's or dependent's benefit or the benefit of any employee and their families and dependents

but this does not include any company, charity or non-profit making organisation that is domiciled, registered or incorporated in the United States of America.

Retaliatory treatment means action taken against an employee on account of the employee exercising or attempting to exercise their rights under law.

Retired officer means any natural person who voluntarily ceased to be an officer during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule and who does not resume a position of officer.

Shareholder action means a claim brought by any shareholder or bondholder of the organisation (which is made without any solicitation by, or assistance or participation of, any officer) due solely to any actual or alleged loss in value of the share capital of the company.

Subsidiary company means any company where you

- own more than 50% of the share capital
- have a majority of the voting rights
- have the right to appoint or remove a majority of the company's board of directors
- control a majority of the voting rights of the company under a written agreement with other shareholders or members.

If a company ceases to be a subsidiary cover will continue but only for
- **wrongful acts** covered under subsection of cover a (officers liability)
- disqualification proceedings
- investigations
- environmental proceedings
- extradition proceedings
- proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 first committed or allegedly committed, ordered or commissioned before it stopped being a subsidiary.

But, **subsidiary company** shall not include any company acquired or created on or after the inception date of this policy which is domiciled, registered or incorporated in the United States of America unless agreed by us in writing.

**Wrongful act** means any actual or alleged wrongful act, error or omission committed or attempted by an **officer** during the performance of their duties as an **officer of yours** including
- breach of any duty including fiduciary or statutory duty
- breach of trust
- negligence, negligent statement, misleading statement or negligent misrepresentation
- libel, slander or defamation
- wrongful trading as defined under **United Kingdom** law
- breach of warranty or authority, or
- any other act, error or omission committed by them in their capacity of an **officer** of **yours**.

Related, continuous or repeated wrongful acts, or wrongful acts that are connected by the same cause, shall constitute a single wrongful act.

**You/ your/ yours** shall mean
- the limited liability partnership or company named as the policyholder in the policy schedule, and
- the **subsidiary company**.
Entity defence

What is covered

a  Public relations crisis management

*We* will pay *you* for costs resulting from the use, with *our* prior agreement, of the *crisis response service* following a *crisis* first occurring and reported to *us* during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

In addition *we* will pay any other related costs agreed with *us*.

b  Identity fraud

*We* will pay *you* for *costs and expenses* in establishing that *identity fraud* has occurred following the attempted enforcement within the United Kingdom of an agreement in connection with *your business* by a third party and which is first discovered and reported to *us* during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

*We* will not pay *you* under this section of cover if cover is provided under the fidelity section of cover or would be

- if the section of cover had been chosen
- but for the excess or any conditions applicable to the fidelity section of cover.

c  Investigations

*We* will pay *you* for *costs and expenses* arising from an *investigation* which is first ordered or commissioned and reported to *us* during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

*We* will not pay *you* under this section of cover for *costs and expenses* arising from an *investigation* in respect of employment discrimination and/or health and safety if the employment law protection section of cover is in force.

d  Corporate manslaughter

*We* will pay *you* for *costs and expenses* arising from proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 (or any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act) which are first ordered or commissioned and reported to *us* during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

e  Breach of contract

*We* will pay *you* for *costs and expenses* in defending a claim first made against *you* and reported to *us* during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for alleged breach of any express written contract or agreement between *you* and *your* customer for the provision of goods or services in connection with *your business*.

*We* will not pay *you* for defending a claim where *you* or *your* parent or ultimate holding company is

- a non-departmental public body, or
- a government-owned corporation, state-owned enterprise, or governmental business enterprise

or where the Government or any government agency is a majority shareholder of *yours* or of *your* parent or ultimate holding company.
We will not pay you for defending a claim alleging

- infringement of copyright, patent, registered design, trademark, merchandise marks or any other intellectual property rights
- breach of any secrecy and/or any confidentiality agreements.

We will not pay you for defending a claim relating to any licence or franchise agreement.

We will not pay you for defending a claim involving an employment wrongful act

We will not pay you for defending a claim

- involving the ownership, occupation or use of any land or building
- relating to the tenancy or letting of property
- relating to the construction, extension, alteration, demolition, repair, renovation or refurbishment of any property.

We will not pay you for defending a claim involving the provision of insurance.

We will not pay you for defending a claim relating to modified proprietary and/or bespoke software and/or hardware and/or hardware systems.

We will not pay you for defending a claim involving an amount of less than £5,000.

Pollution

We will pay you for costs and expenses in defending a claim first made against you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from any actual or alleged wrongful act committed by an officer during the performance of their duties as an officer of yours which results in pollution.

In addition we will pay you for costs and expenses arising from environmental proceedings which are first ordered or commissioned and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

Taxation

We will pay you for costs and expenses in negotiating on your behalf and in an appeal following a tax investigation by HM Revenue and Customs which is first instigated and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you for costs and expenses in respect of

- an aspect enquiry
- any tax investigation arising from a tax avoidance scheme
- any tax investigation caused by your failure to register for Value Added Tax
- any tax investigation or enquiry into alleged dishonesty or alleged criminal offences
- an application for judicial review.

We will not pay you for costs and expenses after a tax investigation first becomes referred to or dealt with by Special Investigations or Civil Investigations of Fraud Units of HM Revenues & Customs.

We will not pay you to the extent of the cost of undertaking anything which you would necessarily
deal with in the absence of a **tax investigation**.

### Data protection

*We* will pay you for **costs and expenses** in defending a claim (and in an appeal) first made against you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for a breach or alleged breach of the Data Protection Act 1988 (or any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act, for example General Data Protection Regulation) in connection with your business.

*We* will not pay you under this section of cover for **costs and expenses** if the breach or alleged breach involves data processed outside the European Union.

*We* will only pay you under this section of cover if you have a data protection accountability statement which is reviewed at least annually.

### Discovery period

If we refuse to renew this section of cover for reasons other than

- non-payment of premium, or
- failure to comply with or observe the terms, provisions and conditions of this policy,

or if you decline to accept our renewal terms, then you shall automatically be entitled to a 30 day **discovery period**.

The **discovery period** shall only apply to

- a **crisis** occurring, or
- **identity fraud** committed, or
- an **investigation**, **environmental proceedings** instigated, ordered or commissioned, or
- **tax investigation instigated**, or
- a **breach of contract** occurring, or
- a **wrongful act** committed or allegedly committed, or
- a breach or alleged breach of the Data Protection Act 1998, or any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act, occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

You shall not be entitled to any **discovery period** if other insurance has been bought with the intention of providing equivalent cover for any part of the **discovery period**.

**What we will pay**

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for

- all **costs and expenses**, plus
- costs resulting from the use of the **crisis response service**

is the **limit**.

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for costs resulting from the use of the **crisis response service** is £25,000. This amount is not in addition to the **limit**.
Under subsection of cover c (investigations) of this section of cover we will not pay the excess. This amount must be paid by you.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
- riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- war and/or terrorism
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.
- contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.
5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

8 Circumstances known at inception

If you knew or ought to have known of any circumstances that existed prior to the date that this section of cover became operative then we will not pay you for any costs and expenses or costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service that arises from such circumstances.

9 Dishonest and malicious act

We will not pay you if you admit to dishonest, fraudulent or malicious conduct or if this is established in a judgment or final ruling.

10 Known acts

We will not pay you for any costs and expenses or costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service that arises from something you did knowing it to be wrongful or ignoring that possibility.

11 Disputes between insureds

We will not pay you for any costs and expenses or costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service arising from any dispute between insureds in the same partnership, trust or committee.

12 Takeover or merger

We will not pay you for any costs and expenses or costs resulting from the use of the crisis response service arising from

- any crises occurring
- any identity fraud discovered
- any investigation or environmental proceedings ordered or commissioned
- any tax investigation instigated
proceedings brought under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 that are ordered or commissioned

- any claim made against you
- an appeal made after either
- the effective date of your takeover or merger by or with any person or entity, or
- the appointment of an administrator, liquidator, trustee, receiver or any other similar official.

13 Legal action

We will not pay you for any costs and expenses where

- a claim is brought in a court of law outside the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom, and/or
- where action for damages is brought in a court of law within the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom to enforce a foreign judgment.

14 Legal expenses

If section of cover (legal expenses) has been chosen then we will not pay you under this section of cover when section of cover (legal expenses) responds.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Appeal means

- in respect of a tax investigation
  - appeal proceedings in respect of a full enquiry, and/or
  - appeal proceedings in a dispute concerning your compliance with Pay As You Earn or Social Security Regulations, and/or
  - appeal proceedings following an assessment for Value Added Tax due.
- in respect of a breach or alleged breach of the Data Protection Act 1998, or any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act
  - an appeal against the refusal of your application for registration by the Data Protection Commissioner
  - an appeal against the refusal of an application for the alteration of registered particulars by the Data Protection Commissioner
  - an appeal against an enforcement notice
  - an appeal against a de-registration notice
  - an appeal against a transfer prohibition notice.
Aspect enquiry means an examination by HM Revenue & Customs which considers one or more specific aspects of your self assessment and/or corporation tax return.

Crisis means

- allegations of fraud or corruption
- serious injury to employees or members of the public
- dismissal or resignation of members of your main board of directors, trustees, governors or council members
- investigation by any official body or institution that is empowered to investigate your affairs

where in our opinion there is a risk to your business as a consequence of adverse press, publicity or media attention within the United Kingdom.

Crisis response service means public relations specialist services that we provide.

Director or officer means any natural person who was or is or who may be in the future

- a governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of yours, or
- an employee, or
- a shadow director as defined under United Kingdom law.

Employee means any person (other than an independent agent, consultant, sub-contractor or professional advisor) who is (or was or who may be in the future):

- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
- under a work experience or similar scheme, or
- supplied to or hired in or borrowed by you, or
- volunteer

and who are working for and under your direct control in connection with your business.

Environmental proceedings means any

- prosecution
- official investigation
- examination
- inquiry, or
- other proceedings

by any official body or institution that has the authority or power to investigate your affairs arising from pollution or alleged pollution.

Excess means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. That amount is £1,000.

Full enquiry means a fundamental challenge to and an extensive examination of your tax affairs by HM Revenue & Customs.
Identity fraud means an agreement with a third party entered into by anyone other than a director or officer who fraudulently represents themselves as you.

Insured, you, your, yours means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule and any subsidiary company.

Instigated means

- in respect of a full enquiry, the date HM Revenue & Customs first notifies you in writing of their intention to make enquiries

- in respect of disputes concerning your compliance with Pay As You Earn or Social Security Regulations or your liability to pay Value Added Tax, the date when HM Revenue & Customs sends you an assessment or written decision.

Investigation means any official investigation, examination, inquiry or other proceedings instigated against you by any official body or institution, other than HM Revenue & Customs that is empowered to investigate your affairs in respect of health and safety within the United Kingdom.

Limit means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

Subsidiary company means any company where the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule

- owns more than 50% of the share capital
- has a majority of the voting rights
- has the right to appoint or remove a majority of the company's board of directors
- controls a majority of the voting rights of the company under a written agreement with other shareholders or members.

If a company ceases to be a subsidiary cover will continue but only for

- a crisis occurring, or
- identity fraud committed, or
- an investigation, environmental proceedings or tax investigation instigated, ordered or commissioned, or
- corporate manslaughter proceedings brought, or
- a breach of contract occurring, or
- a wrongful act committed, or
- a breach or alleged breach of the data protection Act 1998, or any legislation amending or re-enacting the Act, occurring

before it stopped being a subsidiary.

Tax investigation means

- a full enquiry, and/or
- a dispute concerning your compliance with Pay as You Earn or Social Security Regulations, and/or
- a dispute concerning your liability for Value Added Tax.

**Wrongful act** means any actual or alleged wrongful act, error or omission committed or attempted by a director or officer during the performance of their duties as an officer of yours.

Related, continuous or repeated wrongful acts, or wrongful acts that are connected by the same cause, will constitute a single wrongful act.
Employers liability

The cover provided by this section is considered to be in accordance with the provisions of any law relating to compulsory insurance of liability to employees in the United Kingdom.

What is covered

a  Employers liability

We will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim made against you which arises from injury sustained by any employee whilst employed in or temporarily outside the United Kingdom.

Provided always that

• the injury is caused during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

• the injury arises out of and is in the course of the employee's employment by you in connection with your business.

• the action for damages is brought against you under the jurisdiction of a court within the United Kingdom.

We will also pay

• your costs and expenses resulting from the claim.

• your solicitor’s fees that we agree to in writing for
  o your defence in any court of summary jurisdiction of any proceedings brought against you for the breach or alleged breach of any statutory duty resulting in injury
  o your representation at a coroner’s court or fatal accident inquiry provided that the breach or death may result in a claim against you.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for any claim or series of claims plus all costs and expenses arising from the same original cause is the limit.

b  Compensation for court attendance

If at our request

• any director or partner of yours, or

• any employee

attends a court as a witness in connection with a claim we will pay you the following amounts:

• for any director or partner £500 per day

• for any employee £250 per day

for each day on which attendance is required.

c  Health and safety at work
We will pay your costs and expenses in your defence of any criminal proceedings (including a charge of manslaughter) brought against you for a breach of

- the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, or
- the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978, or
- any legislation amending or re-enacting the above

committed or alleged to have been committed in the course of your business during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will also pay your costs and expenses in an appeal against conviction and/or prosecution costs awarded against you arising from the above criminal proceedings.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for all costs and expenses in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £500,000. This amount is inclusive of and not additional to the amount we will pay under subsection of cover a (employers liability).

We will not pay you if the proceedings relate to the health, safety and welfare of anyone other than an employee.

d Unsatisfied court judgments

We will at your request pay an employee or their personal representative the amount of any award following a judgment which has been obtained for injury against any company, partnership or person operating from premises within the United Kingdom and which remains unpaid six months after the date of the judgment.

Provided always that

- there is no appeal outstanding
- the injury was sustained during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule by the employee whilst working in connection with your business
- the judgment was obtained in a court within the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom
- the employee or their personal representative assigns the judgment to us.

What we will pay

We will only pay the amount of the award that remains outstanding.

e Indemnity to principal

We will at your request pay any principal for whom you are completing a contract for the performance of work, to the extent required by the contract conditions.

However, we will only pay the principal if

- you would have been entitled to payment under this section of cover had the claim been made against you
- the principal observes, fulfils and is subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy in the same way as you are.
What is not covered (exclusions)

1  Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any
- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2  Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds
- and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
  - riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3  War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
- war and/or terrorism
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association
  regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.
- contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

This exclusion does not apply to the first £5,000,000 of any claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause under this section of cover.

4  Confiscation etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.
5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

8 Offshore

We will not pay you for your legal liability for injury to any employee whilst on or working from, or travelling by sea or air, to, from or between an offshore rig, platform or similar offshore installation.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Certificate of employers liability

If the cover provided by this section of cover is cancelled then any Certificate of Employers Liability Insurance issued under this policy is similarly cancelled from the same date.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Business. In addition to the meaning given under ‘words with special meanings that apply throughout this policy (general definitions)’ business also means

- your ownership, occupation and maintenance of land and buildings
- the provision and management of canteen, social, sports and welfare organisations for the benefit of employees
- the provision and management of ambulance, first aid and medical services for the benefit of employees
- the provision and management of fire and security services for the protection of premises owned or occupied by you
- private duties undertaken by an employee for you or, with your consent, for any director or partner of yours or any employee.
Employee means any person who is or was, or who may become at some time in the future

- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
- under a work experience or similar scheme, or
- supplied to you, or
- hired in or borrowed by you, or
- a self-employed person
- a volunteer

and who is working for you

- under your direct control in connection with your business, and
- they are normally resident in the United Kingdom.

Injury means

- bodily injury
- mental injury
- emotional distress
- shock
- sickness
- disease, or
- death.

Insured, you, your, yours means

- the person or persons, and/or
- the firm and all partners and former partners in the firm, and/or
- the limited liability partnership, and/or
- the trust, and/or
- the company

named as the policyholder in the policy schedule, and/or

- the estates, heirs or legal representatives of any natural person above who has died or become incapacitated, insolvent or bankrupt but only in relation to a claim against the policyholder.

In addition, if you request us to, we will pay the following persons in the same way that we would pay you provided that they observe, fulfil and are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy as you are:

- any governor, director, council member, member, officer or trustee of yours
• any employee

• any officer or member of your canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations, fire, ambulance, first aid, medical or security services (but only whilst they are acting in their capacity as an officer or member of the above organisations or services).

Limit means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.
Employment law protection

What is covered

a  Employment disputes

We will pay you for your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim first made against you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from any actual or alleged

- act or omission resulting in a dispute concerning the employment of an employee or any prospective employee, and/or
- action taken against an employee on account of the employee exercising or attempting to exercise his or her rights under law

committed or allegedly committed by you.

In addition we will pay your costs and expenses resulting from the claim.

b  Investigations

We will pay your costs and expenses arising from your or your representative's attendance at any official investigation, examination, inquiry or other proceedings instigated against you by any official body or institution that is empowered to investigate you affairs in respect of:

- employment discrimination
- health and safety

which is first ordered or commissioned during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

c  Discovery period

If we refuse to renew this section of cover for reasons other than

- non-payment of premium, or
- failure to comply with or observe the terms, provisions and conditions of this policy,

or if you decline to accept our renewal terms, then you shall automatically be entitled to a 30 day discovery period.

The discovery period shall only apply to

- employment wrongful acts first committed or allegedly committed during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule and/or
- investigations which are first ordered or commissioned during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

You shall not be entitled to any discovery period if other insurance has been bought with the intention of providing equivalent cover for any part of the discovery period.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for
• all claims in total, plus
• all costs and expenses in total

is the limit.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess will be applied to each claim made against you by or on behalf of each employee.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any
• fine or penalty
• non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
• ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
• the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
• pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds
• riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
• war and/or terrorism
• any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
• any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

• contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.
4 Mould

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

5 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

6 Legal action

We will not pay you

• where the claim is brought in a court of law outside the jurisdiction of England and Wales and/or Scotland, and/or

• where action for damages is brought in a court within that jurisdiction to enforce a foreign judgment.

7 Dishonest or fraudulent conduct

We will not pay you if you admit to dishonest, fraudulent or malicious conduct or if this is established in a judgment or final ruling.

8 Deliberate acts

We will not pay you in respect of any claim or investigation that results from your wilful, reckless or intentional disregard of any employment legislation. However, we will not impute the wilful, reckless or intentional disregard of one insured to another insured.

9 Voluntary assumption of liability

We will not pay you in respect of any claim or investigation arising from or in any way involving your voluntary assumption of liability for any act or omission of whatever nature of any other person.

10 Circumstances known at inception

If you knew or ought to have known of any circumstances that existed prior to the date that this section of cover started then we will not pay you for any legal liability that arises from such circumstances.

11 Injury/property damage

We will not pay you in respect of any claim

• for injury sustained by anyone (other than emotional distress arising from any libel, slander, defamation or employment wrongful act), or

• for any loss, damage or destruction of property, including loss of use of the property.

12 Takeover, merger or liquidation

We will not cover

• any actual or alleged employment wrongful act occurring, or
• any investigation instigated
  after
• your takeover or merger by or with any person or entity, or
• the appointment of a liquidator, trustee, receiver or other similar officer.

13 Failure to adapt premises or working methods

We will not pay you in respect of any claim arising from or in any way involving your obligation to adjust or adapt any premises or working methods to meet the needs of a person with a disability. However, we will pay your costs and expenses in defending a claim.

14 Remuneration, redundancy and benefits

We will not pay you any amount that you are obliged to pay any employee in accordance with
• any law governing health and safety, worker’s compensation, unemployment insurance, social security, disability benefits, redundancy, remuneration or any similar law, including any regulations created under those laws.
• the employee’s contract of employment with you
• any benefit scheme or the failure to contribute to, fund, reimburse or make payment in connection with a benefit scheme.

15 Non-pecuniary relief

We will not pay you any amount that arises in any way from the cost of compliance with any order for, grant of or agreement to provide injunctive or non-pecuniary relief. However, we will pay your costs and expenses.

16 Disputes between insureds

We will not pay you in respect of any claim arising from a dispute concerning the dissolution of any partnership agreement between two or more insureds.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Severability

Nothing in the proposal or otherwise known or done by any insured shall be attributed to any other person in determining any right or obligation of the insured under this section of cover.

In no case shall an insured be prevented from pursuing any point in his or her defence only because it is obstructive or harmful to the interests of any other insured.

2 TUPE

You must consult and follow the advice of the Markel employer helpline in any matter to which the terms of the
• Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (TUPE), or
• any legislation amending or re-enacting the above apply.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.
Subsidiary companies

- If you acquire or create a subsidiary company after the date that this section of cover came into force, and
- if your total number of employees increases by more than 10% compared with the number of employees at the beginning of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule as a result of that acquisition or creation

you will

- notify us in writing within 30 days of its acquisition or creation, and
- give us any additional information we may require, and
- agree to any terms and/or additional premium we may require.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Benefit scheme** means any

- superannuation or pension scheme, programme or plan
- profit sharing, share option or share purchase scheme
- health and welfare or other employee benefit plan or trust established or conducted for the benefit of any employee and their families and dependants.

**Employee** means anyone who was or is or may become subject to a contract of service or apprenticeship with the organisation including anyone held to be an employee of yours by an Employment Tribunal or the Employment Appeals Tribunal.

**Employment wrongful act** means any actual or alleged

- act or omission that results in a dispute in connection with the employment of an employee or prospective employee, or
- retaliatory treatment

committed or allegedly committed by you.

**Organisation** means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule and the subsidiary company.

**Excess** means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. That amount is:

- in respect of any claim that arises in any way from
  - Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (TUPE)
• any legislation amending or re-enacting the above either £10,000 or the amount shown in the policy schedule for this section of cover, whichever is the most.

• in respect of any other claim, the amount shown in the policy schedule for this section of cover.

**Injury** means bodily injury, mental injury, emotional distress, shock, sickness, disease or death.

**Insured/ you/ your/ yours** means:

• the organisation

• any person who was, is, or during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule becomes a director, trustee, partner, governor, council member or officer of **yours**.

• any **employee** of **yours**.

• the lawful husband, wife or civil partner of any of the above, only because of their relationship, following a claim against the above.

• the estates, heirs or legal representatives of any of the above who has died or become incapacitated, insolvent or bankrupt but only in relation to a claim against the above.

**Investigation** means any

• official investigation

• examination

• inquiry, or

• other proceedings

by any official body or institution that has the authority or power to investigate **your** affairs in respect of

• employment discrimination

• health and safety.

**Limit** means the maximum amount **we** will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

**Markel employer helpline** means employer helpline specialist services provided by **us** or on **our** behalf.

**Retaliatory treatment** means action taken against an **employee** on account of the **employee** exercising or attempting to exercise their rights under law.

**Subsidiary company** means any company where **you**

• own more than 50% of the share capital

• have a majority of the voting rights

• have the right to appoint or remove a majority of the company’s board of directors

• control a majority of the voting rights of the company under a written agreement with other shareholders or members.

If a company ceases to be a subsidiary cover will continue but only for
• employment wrongful acts

• investigations

first committed or allegedly committed, ordered or commissioned before it stopped being a subsidiary.
Personal accident

What is covered
If an insured person suffers injury during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule as a result of their employment by you, we will pay you the benefit set out below.

What we will pay
We will pay the amount specified in the policy schedule in respect of this section of cover, however

- we will only pay the benefit for either death, loss of limbs, loss of sight or speech or hearing or permanent total disablement inclusive for any one insured person
- death, loss of limbs, loss of sight or speech or hearing or permanent total disablement must occur within 104 weeks of sustaining the injury
- to qualify for the benefit for temporary total disablement, the insured person must have received medical attention from and continued under the care of a qualified medical practitioner
- the benefit for temporary total disablement is payable for a maximum of 104 weeks from the date of sustaining the injury
- the benefit for temporary total disablement is no longer payable once payment for death, loss of limbs, loss of sight or speech or hearing or permanent total disablement become claimable
- the benefit for temporary total disablement will not be payable for the first 14 days of temporary total disablement.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1. Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc
   We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
   - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
   - the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
   - pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds
   and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
   - riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

2. War risks and terrorism
   We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
   - war and/or terrorism
• any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
• any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

• contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

3 Excluded activities
We will not pay you for any loss resulting from an insured person engaging in or practising for an excluded activity.

4 Suicide or self-injury
We will not pay you for any loss resulting from an insured person committing or attempting to commit suicide or deliberate self-injury.

5 Drugs
We will not pay you for loss resulting from or contributed by an insured person having taken a drug.

This exclusion will not apply where the drug is taken as prescribed and directed by a qualified registered medical practitioner and is not being taken for the treatment of drug addiction.

6 Pregnancy and childbirth
We will not pay you for any loss resulting from or contributed by the pregnancy (including childbirth) of an insured person.

7 Pre-existing condition
We will not pay you for loss resulting from or contributed by an insured person having any sort of physical or mental condition or any sort of health problem that was known either to you or the insured person prior to the date that this section of cover started or prior to the latest renewal of this policy and which has not been declared to and accepted by us in writing.

8 Wilful acts
We will not pay you for loss resulting from or contributed by an insured person wilfully exposing themselves to needless danger.

However, this exclusion will not apply where the exposure to danger was in an attempt to save human life.

9 Age
We will not pay you for loss sustained by any person under the age of 16 years or over the age of 75 years.

10 Sickness or disease
We will not pay you for loss resulting from or contributed by
• sickness or disease
• any naturally occurring condition
• any degenerative process
• a gradually operating cause

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Disappearance

In the event of disappearance of an insured person, if after a suitable period of time it is reasonable to believe that death has occurred as a result of injury then we will pay you the benefit for death subject to a signed undertaking that if the belief is subsequently found to be wrong the benefit will be returned to us.

2 Other interests

All payments under this section of cover will be made to you. Neither the insured person nor their personal representatives have a right to payment under this section of cover.

3 Specified activities

Whenever an insured person engages in, or practices for, a specified activity,

• you will ensure that those specified activities are carried out:
  o under the supervision and control of a suitably qualified instructor authorised by and registered with a regulatory body
  o under the control of a club which is an authorised member of the regulatory body
  o in accordance with any code of practice or recommendations issued by the regulatory body

• you maintain all your rights and remedies against those instructors and/or clubs

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Death means death resulting solely and directly from sustaining the injury.

Employee means any person, (other than a director of yours) who is (or was or who may be in the future):

• under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
• under a work experience or similar scheme, or
• supplied to or hired in or borrowed by you, or
self-employed persons, or
volunteers

and working for you under your direct control in connection with your business and normally resident in the United Kingdom.

Excluded activity means:

- barfly jumping, parkour, ñstreet running, B.A.S.E jumping, pole climbing, elastic rope sports or activities
- contact sports other than association football as an amateur
- driving of a motor vehicle by anyone not licensed to drive that vehicle on a public road (irrespective of whether or not the vehicle is being driven on a public road)
- hang gliding, flying (other than as a commercial fare-paying passenger)
- horse-riding (including pony trekking and equestrian sports) or other animal rides (other than when undertaken at an accredited British Horse Society stable)
- jet-skiing, water-skiing, sub-aqua diving
- martial arts (other than tai chi)
- motor sports including motor cycles and quad bikes
- paintballing
- raft racing, white water rafting
- road rallies, air displays
- use of trampolines
- shooting (other than clay pigeon shooting)
- the following when they are not undertaken at activity centres registered with and licensed by the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority
  - adventure activities
  - outward bound courses
  - abseiling
  - rapelling
  - assault courses
  - dirt, vert, street, flatland and BMX freestyle disciplines of BMX cycling; cross country, trail riding, all mountain, downhill, freeride, slopestyle dirt jumping and trials disciplines of mountain biking
  - mountaineering, cliff or rock climbing without the use of ropes
  - winter sports (other than curling or skating)
use of fireworks, firework displays or bonfires

However, if the bonfires and firework displays

- are organised in accordance with HSG124 'Giving your own firework display; How to run and fire it safely', and
- use professional firework display organisers who are members of the British Pyrotechnists Association, and
- have less than 500 attendees

then they will not be regarded as an excluded activity

Injury means accidental bodily injury.

Insured/ you/ your/ yours means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

Insured person means any principal, partner, governor, director, council member, member, officer, trustee of yours or any employee.

Loss of limbs means total loss of use of one or more hands or feet resulting solely and directly from suffering the injury.

Loss of sight or speech or hearing means total and irrecoverable loss of

- all sight in one or both eyes, or
- the power of speech, or
- the sense of hearing

resulting solely and directly from suffering the injury.

Medical expenses means the cost of surgical or other remedial attention, treatment or appliances given or prescribed by a qualified member of the medical profession together with hospital, nursing home and ambulance charges following injury for which a benefit is payable under this section of cover.

Permanent total disablement means permanent total disablement (other than loss of limb or loss of sight or speech or hearing) resulting solely and directly from injury which continuously prevents the insured person from attending to business or occupation of any description and is beyond hope of improvement.

Regulatory body means any of the following that are appropriate to the specified activity

- the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority;
- the Amateur Swimming Association;
- the British Association of Snowsport Instructors;
- the British Balloon and Airship Club;
- the British Canoe Union;
- the British Gliding Association;
- the British Parachuting Association;
the British Mountaineering Council;
the Civil Aviation Authority;
the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association;
the Grand National Archery Society;
the Maritime and Coastguard Agency;
the Mountain Leader Training Board;
the National Caving Association;
the Royal Yachting Association; and
Snowsport England.

**Specified activity** means:

- adventure activities or outward bound courses undertaken at activity centres registered with and licensed by the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority
- archery
- ballooning
- clay-pigeon shooting
- dry slope skiing
- gliding
- mountaineering, cliff or rock climbing (including indoor climbing) with the use of ropes
- parachuting
- pot-holing or any subterranean activities
- sailing or canoeing
- swimming or diving (other than at a sports or leisure centre when undertaken under the supervision of suitably qualified lifeguards).

**Temporary total disablement** means total disablement resulting solely and directly from injury which necessarily prevents the **insured person** from attending to his/her usual business or occupation or, if the **insured person** has no occupation, necessarily confines the person to a private dwelling or other location where he/she is under treatment.
Fidelity

What is covered

a  Employee dishonesty

*We* will pay *you* for loss of *money or goods*, which *you* first discover during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, as a result of any fraudulent or dishonest act committed by an *employee* (or *employees acting in collusion* together) with the intent to

- cause *you* to sustain loss of *money or goods*
- obtain personal gain for the *employee* or anyone else intended by the *employee* to benefit from their fraudulent or dishonest act.

b  Third party computer and funds transfer fraud

*We* will pay *you* for

- loss of property through *computer fraud*
- loss of funds from *your transfer account* at a *financial institution* through *fraudulent transfer instructions* communicated to the *financial institution*

(including the costs of reinstating electronic data destroyed, erased or stolen as a consequence of the above) by anyone other than *you* and/or any *employee*, and which *you* first discover *you* have sustained during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

c  Discovery period

If *we* refuse to renew this section of cover for reasons other than

- non-payment of premium, or
- failure to comply with or observe the terms, provisions and conditions of this policy

or if *you* decline to accept our renewal terms, then *you* shall automatically be entitled to a 30 day *discovery period*.

The discovery period shall only apply to loss arising from a fraudulent or dishonest act committed during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

*You* shall not be entitled to any *discovery period* if other insurance has been bought with the intention of providing equivalent cover for any part of the *discovery period*.

What we will pay

The most *we* will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is the *limit*.

*We* will also pay up to £25,000 towards the costs of any professional audit incurred with our written consent solely to formulate the amount of *your* loss. This amount is not in addition to the *limit*.

*We* will not pay the *excess*. This must be paid by *you*. The *excess* applies to each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause.

*We* will deduct from the amount *we* pay *you*
any amount which would have been due to the employee had they not committed the fraudulent or dishonest act and which you have not paid them

any amount which you have recovered from the employee committing the fraudulent or criminal act.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
- riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- war and/or terrorism
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

- contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc.

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.
5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Unexplained shortages

We will not pay you for any loss caused by or consisting of a mysterious disappearance or unexplained shortage or shortages.

8 Dishonest and malicious acts

We will not pay you for loss which results from

- any fraudulent or dishonest act committed by an employee whose shareholding or financial interest exceeds 5% of your equity
- any fraudulent or dishonest act or omission committed by any person after the discovery of reasonable cause for suspicion of that person.

In addition:

- no one will be entitled to payment in respect of any legal liability and/or costs and expenses resulting from their dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission or from condoning such an act or omission.
- we will deduct from any amount payable by us:
  - any amounts due from you to the person committing or condoning the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission
  - any amounts held by you and owed to the person committing or condoning the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission
  - any amount recovered following action in accordance with general condition 1 (subrogation) of this policy.

9 Circumstances known at inception

If you know or ought to have known of any circumstances that existed prior to the date that this section of cover started then we will not pay you for any loss that arises from those circumstances.

10 Territorial limits

We will not pay you for loss that arises outside the United Kingdom.
11 Takeover and merger

We will not pay you for loss resulting from a fraudulent or dishonest act committed after

- the effective date of your takeover or merger by or with any person
- the appointment of a liquidator, trustee, receiver or any other similar officer.

12 Retroactive date

We will not pay you for any loss resulting from a fraudulent or dishonest act or computer fraud or fraudulent transfer instructions committed prior to the retroactive date.

13 Computer fraud and funds transfer fraud

Under subsection b (third party computer and funds transfer fraud) of this section of cover we will not pay you

- for loss of interest or loss of profits or any indirect loss
- for loss of computer time or use
- for loss arising from the voluntary giving or lending of property or its surrender in a franchise or exchange whether legitimate or fraudulent
- for loss arising from the fraudulent or dishonest act of an employee whether acting alone or acting in collusion.

14 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Recovery

We will apply any recovery of loss under this section of cover in the following order

- any loss incurred by you over and above the limit which would otherwise have been insured by this section of cover
- the total loss paid by us
- the excess borne by you

The total amount recovered will be applied, as far as it will go and you and we will make whatever settlement is necessary between ourselves to reflect this.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this cover section. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular
Acting in collusion means all circumstances where two or more employees are involved or implicated together or assist each other materially in committing acts of fraud or dishonesty.

Computer fraud means theft effected by means of accessing a computer system or by the introduction, alteration or deletion of any data, program or instruction in relation to a computer system.

Employee means any person (not being a director or former partner of yours) who was or is or may be in the future

- a governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of yours, or
- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
- under a work experience or similar scheme, or
- supplied to or hired in or borrowed by you, or
- volunteers

and who are working for you under your direct control in connection with your business.

Excess means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

Financial institution means

- a banking or saving institution, or
- a stockbroker or similar investment institution at which you maintain a transfer account.

Fraudulent transfer instructions means

- electronic, telegraphic, cable, teletype or telephone instructions to a financial institution to debit a transfer account and to transfer, pay or deliver funds from the account, which instructions purport to have been transmitted by you but which have been fraudulently transmitted by another, or
- written instructions to a financial institution to debit a transfer account and to transfer, pay or deliver funds from the account through an electronic funds transfer system at specified or under specified conditions, which written instructions purport to have been duly issued by you but which have been fraudulently issued, forged or altered by another.

Insured/you/your/yours means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule and the subsidiary company.

Limit means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

Money or goods means stamps, currency, coins, bank notes and bullion, travellers cheques, cheques, postal orders, money orders, securities and the like and tangible property belonging to you or for which you are legally liable.

Retroactive date means either

- the date when this section of cover was first incepted, or
- where equivalent cover to that provided under this section of cover has been continuously maintained immediately prior to the inception of this section of cover, then it means the date that applied to that
equivalent cover.

**Subsidiary company** means any company in respect of which **you** or any other subsidiary company of your **yours** controls, at the date when this section of cover became operative

- owns more than 50% of the share capital
- has a majority of the voting rights
- has the right to appoint or remove a majority of the company’s board of directors
- controls a majority of the voting rights of the company under a written agreement with other shareholders or members

and any company which is subsequently acquired or created and included with **our** written consent.

**Theft** means

- the dishonest appropriation of property with the intention of permanently depriving you of it, or
- the taking of property without lawful authority.

**Transfer accounts** means an account, maintained by **you** with the **financial institution** to or from which you **or your** authorised representative may cause the transfer, payment or delivery of funds by means of

- electronic, telegraphic, cable, teletype or telephone instructions (whether communicated directly or through a cash management service or funds transfer system), or
- written instructions establishing the conditions under which the transfers are to be initiated by the financial institution through an electronic funds transfer system.
Property damage

What is covered

a  Damage to property

If the property, or any part of the property is damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will, at our option, either

- pay you the value of the property at the time of the damage, or
- repair, restore or replace the property or any part of the property that was damaged.

However, unless the property is a building, we will only pay you if the property is damaged within the buildings at the premises.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed

- in respect of property, the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for that property
- in respect of all damage in total, the overall sum insured shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage at each separate premises.

Automatic increase in sums insured

The cover provided by this section of cover extends to include

- newly erected buildings, extensions and alterations
- newly acquired general contents
- inflationary increases in the value of the buildings and/or general contents (but only if the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for the buildings and/or general contents, at the start of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, is not less than their value)

but only for an amount not exceeding

- in respect of buildings, 25% of the sum insured on buildings or £50,000, whichever is the least, and/or
- in respect of general contents, 15% of the sum insured or £10,000, whichever is the least.

Average

If, at the start of the damage, the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for the property is less than the value of the property then the amount that we will pay you will be reduced in the same proportion.

This clause will not apply if the amount we will pay you is calculated on a reinstatement basis.

Basis of settlement

In the event of damage to property other than
• stock, rent, motor vehicles (including their accessories and equipment)
• employee's, director's, partner's, customer's and visitor's, cycles, tools and other personal effects

We will calculate the amount we will pay you on a reinstatement basis, provided that:

• where the work or reinstatement is carried out at another site and/or in any way suitable to your requirements we will not pay you for any resulting increase in the cost of the work or reinstatement.
• in respect of property that is only partially damaged we will not pay you more than we would have done had it been totally destroyed.
• we will not pay you any more than we would have done if settlement was not on a reinstatement basis
  o unless reinstatement starts and continues without unreasonable delay
  o until the cost of reinstatement has actually been incurred
  o if the property at the time of the damage is insured by you or on your behalf under any other insurance which is not on the same basis of reinstatement.

If at the time of damage the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for the property is less than 85% of the full cost of reinstatement of the property then the amount we will pay you will be reduced in the same proportion.

In the event of damage to

• stock, rent, motor vehicles (including their accessories and equipment)
• employee's, director's, partner's, customer's and visitor's, cycles, tools and other personal effects

We will, at our option, either

• pay you the value of the property at the time of the damage taking into account its age and condition, or
• repair, restore or replace the property to a condition substantially the same as it was at the time of the damage.

Reinstatement of sums insured

Following damage which is insured under this section of cover the sums insured will be automatically restored to their original amount from the date of the damage, provided that you

• pay any additional premium we may require
• comply with any reasonable recommendations we may make to prevent further damage.

Designation of property

If we need to determine the heading under which any property is insured we agree to accept the designation under which the property has been entered in your business books.

Non-invalidation

This section of cover will not be invalidated by any act or omission or an alteration where the risk of damage is increased unknown to you and beyond your control, provided that:
• you tell us immediately you become aware of it, and
• pay any additional premium we may require, and
• comply with any additional terms we may require.

Interested parties

The interest is noted of
• mortgage lenders in the building, and/or
• suppliers of property to you under a hiring, leasing or similar agreement

provided that, in the event of damage to the building and/or property you tell us the nature and extent of that interest.

European Community and public authorities

We will pay the additional cost of reinstatement of damaged buildings and/or general contents that you become subject to solely because of the necessity to comply with the requirements of
• European Community legislation, or
• building or other regulations under any Act of Parliament or public authority bye-laws in respect of the damaged or undamaged portions of the property.

Provided that
• the work of reinstatement is commenced and carried out without unreasonable delay and, in any event, is completed within 12 months after the damage or any longer period that we may agree with you in writing.

However, we will not pay you
• for those additional costs in complying with the requirements
  o in respect of damage occurring prior to the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule
  o in respect of damage not insured by this section of cover
  o where notice was served upon you prior to the damage taking place
  o where there is an existing requirement which has to be implemented within a given period
  o in respect of property where the damage is not covered by this section of cover
• the additional cost that would have been required to make good the damaged property to a condition equal to its condition when new had the necessity to comply with requirements not arisen.
• for the amount of any charge or assessment that arises from capital appreciation which is payable in respect of the property following compliance with the requirements.

If the requirements mean that the reinstatement is carried out, either in whole or in part, on another site we will not pay you more than we would have done had the reinstatement been carried out at the premises.
b  Professional fees

We will pay you for reasonable and necessary
- architect's
- surveyor's
- consulting engineers'
- legal, and
- other professional fees

for repairing, restoring or replacing the property following damage to the buildings and/or general contents

However, we will not pay for any fees for preparing any claim or request for payment under this section of cover.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for
- these fees, and
- the damage to the buildings, and/or general contents

will not exceed the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for the buildings and/or general contents as appropriate.

c  Grounds of the premises

We will pay you, subject to our prior consent, for the cost of repairing damage to the grounds of the premises caused by the emergency services following damage to the property.

However, we will only pay for these costs if we have paid you (or admitted liability) for the damage to the property.

What we will pay

The total amount we will pay for all these costs during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed £5,000.

d  Debris removal

We will pay you, subject to our prior consent, for the cost of
- removing debris
- dismantling and/or demolishing
- shoring up or propping

of the portion or portions of the buildings and/or general contents as a result of damage.

We will only pay for these costs if we have paid you (or admitted liability) for the damage to the property.
We will not pay you for any costs for removing debris except from the site of the property damaged and the area immediately adjacent to the site.

We will not pay you for any costs that arise from pollution or contamination of any property that is not insured by this section of cover.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for

- these costs, and
- the damage to the buildings and/or general contents

shall not exceed the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for the buildings and/or general contents as appropriate.

e Temporary removal

We will pay you for damage to property occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule whilst the property is temporarily removed for cleaning, renovation, repair or similar purposes to anywhere in the United Kingdom.

We will also pay you if the property is damaged whilst in transit by road or rail from and to your premises and where it is to be cleaned, renovated or repaired.

However, we will not pay you if

- the property is removed to a location that is occupied by you
- the property is damaged by storm or flood whilst in the open or in transit.

What we will pay

The most we will pay is 15% of the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for the property damaged.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage.

f Temporary removal of computer system records

We will pay you for damage to computer system records occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule whilst they are temporarily removed to anywhere in the United Kingdom.

We will also pay you if the computer system records are damaged whilst in transit by road or rail from and to your premises and their place of temporary removal.

However, we will not pay you if

- the computer system records are removed to a location that is occupied by you
- the computer system records are damaged by storm or flood whilst in the open or in transit.

What we will pay

The most we will pay you in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £1,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate
incident or event of damage.

g Loss of documents

We will pay you the cost of repairing, restoring or replacing any document which is damaged or mislaid (and which cannot be found after a careful search) during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

Exclusion 28 (unexplained shortages) of this section of cover shall not apply to these costs.

However, we will not pay you for any costs arising in any way from the failure or inability to produce the desired or intended result of any programme, instruction or data for use in any computer or other electronic data processing device, equipment or system which occurs other than through its physical destruction or damage.

What we will pay

The total amount we will pay for all these costs during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed £10,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage.

h Additional metered utility charges

We will pay you the cost of additional metered water charges and/or additional metered gas charges which you have to pay as a result of the accidental escape of water or gas from tanks, apparatus or pipes at the premises.

However, we will only pay you if you keep a weekly record of readings from the utility company's meter.

We will not pay you if the tanks, apparatus or pipes from which the water and/or gas escapes are in an unoccupied building.

What we will pay

We will calculate the amount payable by comparing the charge made by the utility company for the period during which the loss of metered water and/or gas occurred with the charges for the previous period. We will take into account any relevant factors affecting your normal consumption of water and/or gas during the periods concerned when calculating the amount to be paid.

The total amount we will pay for all these costs during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed £5,000.

i Computer breakdown

Despite exclusions 5 (electronic data) and 11 (mechanical or electrical breakdown) of this section of cover, if your computer equipment breaks down during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule we will, at our option, either

- pay you the value of the computer equipment at the time of the breakdown, or
- repair, restore or replace the computer equipment or any part of the computer equipment that has broken down, or
- pay you the costs incurred in the reconstitution of any data stored on your computer equipment needed in order to continue your business.

We will not pay you
• if the breakdown is a result of gradual deterioration, wear and tear, inherent defect or a computer virus
• if the computer equipment is more than 10 years old from the date of manufacture
• if you have not taken all reasonable steps to make back-up copies of all data at least once a week and retained copies
• if the computer equipment is not maintained, serviced or updated in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

**What we will pay**

The total amount we will pay during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed £10,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of breakdown.

**j Exhibitions**

If the property, or any part of the property is damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule whilst it is at any exhibition in the United Kingdom (including whilst being erected or dismantled) we will, at our option, either

• pay you the value of the property at the time of the damage, or
• repair, restore or replace the property or any part of the property that was accidentally damaged.

However, we will not pay you

• if the property is damaged whilst at any premises that are owned or occupied by you
• if the damage is covered under any other policy or contract of insurance.

**What we will pay**

The total amount we will pay for all damage to all property at any one exhibition is £5,000. The total amount we will pay for damage to any one item is £1,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage.

**k Replacement of locks**

We will pay you the cost of replacing locks of the building following the theft of keys from

• the building, or
• your home, or
• the home of any of your directors, partners or employees.

We will also pay you the cost of replacing your service user's locks at their premises if you loose their keys.

Exclusion 15 (theft) of this section of cover shall not apply to this cover.
What we will pay

The most we will pay for the cost of replacing locks following any one instance of theft or loss of keys is £2,500.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of theft or loss of keys.

Incidental theft damage to buildings

If you do not own the buildings and are not required to insure them, we will pay you for the cost of repairing damage to the buildings caused by theft or attempted theft of your property during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will only pay you if the repair of the damage to the buildings is necessary to either

- allow you to continue your business from the premises, or
- make the premises secure.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the schedule is £5,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage at each separate premises.

Trace and access

If the buildings are damaged by the escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will pay you for the cost of locating the source of the damage and making good.

However, we will not pay you if the damage to the buildings is excluded under this section of cover.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in total in the period of insurance shown in the schedule is £10,000.

The most we will pay for any one instance of damage is £5,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage at each separate premises.

Glass and shop fronts

If fixed glass and/or glass fronts are damaged at the premises during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will pay you

- the cost of boarding-up following damage of the fixed glass
- the cost of removing and/or replacing fixtures and fittings during the replacement of the fixed glass
- the cost of repairing damage to shop fronts that you are responsible for.

What we will pay
The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £2,500.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage at each separate premises.

- **Residents' effects**

  If residents' effects are damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will, at our option, either
  - pay you or the resident, the value of the residents' effects at the time of the damage, or
  - repair, restore or replace the residents' effects or any part of the residents' effects that was damaged.

Despite exclusion 15 (theft) of this section of cover

- we will not pay you or the resident for any damage caused by theft or attempted theft which does not involve entry to, or exit from, the resident's accommodation by forcible or violent means
- we will not pay you or the resident for any damage caused by theft or attempted theft which is helped or brought about in any way by you or any member of your family, or any director or partner of yours, or any employee

However, we will pay you if the theft or attempted theft involves assault or violence or the threat of assault or violence to any member of your family, or any director, partner or employee of yours.

**What we will pay**

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is

- in respect any single item of gold, silver, or other precious metal, jewellery, fur, curio, picture or other work of art or stamp collection, 5% of the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for general contents, or £5,000 whichever is the least
- for all other residents effects, £2,500 in respect of each resident.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage at each separate premises.

- **Property in the open**

  Despite exclusions 15 (theft) and 17 (damage to fences, gates and moveable property) we will pay you for damage, occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, to
  - floodlighting, external lighting and security equipment that is fixed to the buildings or in the grounds of the premises
  - fixtures, garden furniture and groundsmen's equipment that is in the open at the premises.

However, we will not pay you for any damage to mechanically or electrically driven equipment unless it is immobilised when not in use.

**What we will pay**

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £5,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident
or event of damage at each separate premises.

q Theft of oil

Despite exclusion 15 (theft), we will pay you for the theft, occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, of heating oil from tanks, barrels apparatus or pipes at the premises.

However, we will not pay you if the premises are unoccupied.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £5,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident of theft at each separate premises.

r Theft of metal

Despite exclusion 15 (theft), we will pay you for
- the theft of metal, lead and similar materials that is fixed to the structure of the buildings, and/or
- the subsequent damage caused by any entry or seepage of water following the theft or attempted theft.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £5,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident of theft and/or damage at each separate premises.

s Bequeathed property

If you are bequeathed property after the start of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule and it is damaged during the same period of insurance, we will, at our option, either
- pay you the value of the bequeathed property at the time of the damage, or
- repair, restore or replace the bequeathed property or any part of the property that was damaged.

However, unless the bequeathed property is a building, we will only pay you if the bequeathed property is damaged within the buildings at the premises.

We will only pay you if
- you tell us in writing within three months of legal title in the bequeathed property passing to you
- you provide us with any information we may require
- you agree to any terms and/or premiums we may require
- the bequeathed property is located within the United Kingdom.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is
- if the bequeathed property is a building, 10% of the total buildings sum insured shown in the
policy schedule or £250,000 whichever is the least

- for any other bequeathed property, £50,000. However, if the bequeathed property consists of more than one item, the most we will pay for any one item is £5,000.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage at each separate premises.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1. Fines and penalties
   - We will not pay you for any
   - fine or penalty
   - non-compensatory damages.

2. Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc
   - We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
   - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
   - the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
   - pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
   - riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3. War risks and terrorism
   - We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
   - war and/or terrorism
   - any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
   - any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.
   - contamination due to terrorism

   If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

   If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4. Confiscation etc
We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.

5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Other insurance

We will not pay you more than our proportionate share if the damage is covered by any other insurance.

8 Wear and tear

We will not pay you for any damage caused by

- wear and tear
- the action of light or atmosphere
- moths, vermin or insects
- any process of cleaning, dyeing, restoring, adjusting or repairing
- corrosion, dampness, dryness, wet or dry rot
- marring, scratching, bruising, deterioration

9 Defective workmanship

We will not pay you for any damage caused by faulty or defective workmanship, operational error or omission by you or any employee.

10 Fraud or dishonesty of employees

We will not pay you for any damage caused by fraud or dishonesty of employees.

11 Mechanical or electrical breakdown

We will not pay you for any damage resulting from mechanical or electrical breakdown or derangement or from adjustment, maintenance or repair.

12 Pollution

We will not pay you for any damage caused by pollution other than damage caused by
• pollution which results from a specified event
• a specified event which results from pollution.

13 Subsidence

We will not pay you for any damage caused by subsidence

• to yards, car parks, roads, pavements, walls, gates or fences at the premises unless the buildings at the premises are damaged at the same time by the same cause.
• which results from
  o demolition, construction, structural alteration or repair of any property
  o groundworks or excavations at the premises

to any property situated within the Isle of Wight.

14 Settlement and bedding down

We will not pay you for any damage caused by

• the normal settlement or bedding down of new structures
• the settlement or movement of made-up ground
• coastal or river erosion.

15 Theft

We will not pay you for any damage caused by theft or attempted theft unless the theft or attempted theft involved entry to or exit from the buildings by forcible and violent means.

We will not pay you for any damage caused by theft or attempted theft

• to property in any yard, car park, open space or open sided building
• while the building is unoccupied
• by, helped, or brought about by you, any member of your family, or any director, partner or employee of yours.

However, this exclusion shall not apply if the theft or attempted theft involves assault or violence or the threat of assault or violence to any member of your family, or any director, partner or employee of yours.

16 Collapse

We will not pay you for damage to the building caused by its own collapse or cracking unless it results from a specified event.

17 Damage to fences, gates and moveable property

We will not pay you for any damage to fences, gates and moveable property in the open caused by wind, rain, hail, sleet, snow, flood or dust.

18 Damage to roads, paths and pavements etc

We will not pay you for any damage to any yard, car park, road, pavement or path caused by weight,
vibration or vehicles.

19 Unoccupied premises

We will not pay you for any damage to unoccupied buildings caused by

- freezing
- the escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe
- the escape of oil from any heating installation
- malicious persons (who are not acting on behalf of or in connection with any political organisation) unless this results in fire or explosion.

20 Fixed glass and sanitary ware

We will not pay you for any damage to fixed glass and sanitary ware

- which was broken or damaged before the beginning of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule
- in an unoccupied building

21 Valuable and fragile property

We will not pay you for any damage to

- jewellery, precious stones, precious metals, bullion, furs, curiosities, works of art or rare books
- property in transit
- money, cheques, stamps, bonds or credit cards

unless the damage is caused by a specified event. We will not pay you for any damage to

- securities of any description
- glass (other than fixed glass), china, earthenware (other than fixed sanitary ware), marble or other fragile or brittle objects unless the damage is caused by a specified event or theft or attempted theft.

22 Vehicles

We will not pay you for any damage to vehicles and their accessories and equipment, caravans, trailers, railway locomotives, rolling stock, watercraft or aircraft.

23 Contract works

We will not pay you for any damage to the permanent and/or temporary works forming part of any contract for the maintenance, repair, renovation, refurbishment, alteration, rebuilding or similar of the buildings and/or materials for incorporation in the permanent and/or temporary works.

24 Land, roads, pavements etc

We will not pay you for any damage to land, roads, pavements, piers, jetties, bridges, culverts or
excavations.

25 Livestock, crops or plants

We will not pay you for any damage to

- livestock, growing crops, lawns, or
- trees, shrubs and plants.

However, this exclusion shall not apply to trees, shrubs and plants that are used for ornamental purposes if the damage is caused by a specified event and they are:

- contained within the buildings, and
- do not form part of your general contents.

26 Basement storage

We will not pay you for any damage to general contents and/or stock in any basement or cellar of the premises which is not stored at least 15 centimetres above floor level.

27 Property more specifically insured

We will not pay you for any damage to property that you have more specifically insured or has been more specifically insured on your behalf.

28 Unexplained shortages

We will not pay you for damage caused by or consisting of unexplained disappearance or inventory shortage, misfiling or misplacing of information.

29 False pretence

We will not pay you for damage caused by you voluntarily parting with the title or possession of any property if induced by any fraudulent scheme, trick, device or false pretence.

30 Component self-ignition

We will not pay you for damage to any component of any dynamo, electric motor or other electrical plant installation, apparatus or conductor caused by its own self-heating or self-ignition.

31 Flat roofs

We will not pay you for

- any damage to flat roof sections of the property
- any damage in any way resulting from flat roof sections of the property

where the flat roof

- has not been adequately maintained, or
- is greater than 10 years old.

32 Alteration

We will not make any payment under this policy if, after the start of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, there is any alteration which results in
• an increase in the risk of a claim or **damage**
• your interest ceasing other than by a will or the operation of the law
• your business being wound up, carried on by a liquidator or receiver or permanently discontinued unless **we** have been notified of and agreed to the alteration.

**Conditions that apply to this section of cover**

1 **Unoccupied buildings**

You must notify **us**, without delay, and in writing, when you become aware that

• a **building** or any part of a **building** is **unoccupied** or is to become **unoccupied**
• an **unoccupied building** or part of a **building** has become occupied or is to become occupied, giving **us** full details of the purpose for which it is to be used

and pay any reasonable additional premium **we** may require.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

2 **Explosion**

If any vessel, machinery or apparatus (or their contents) is **damaged** by an explosion that originates within the vessel, machinery or apparatus, you must comply with any statutory regulations that require the vessel, machinery or apparatus to be examined.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

3 **Security protections**

You must ensure that the following security protections (and/or any subsequent protections installed or fitted at our request) are in full and proper use at all times when the **premises** are closed for business or left unattended and will be maintained in proper working order throughout the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

• all external doors (and any internal doors leading to any part of the **buildings** not in your sole occupation) to be secured with either

  o if an aluminium door: a cylinder mortice deadlock, or
  o if an armoured plate door: the door manufacturer's locks as supplied, or
  o if a UPVC door: a multi-point locking system incorporating a minimum of 3 deadbolts
  o if any other type of single leaf door

    - where the door thickness is at least 4.5 cm: a five lever mortice deadlock to at least British Standard 3621 together with a 17.5 cm boxed steel striking plate
    - where the door is less than 4.5 cm thick: a deadlocking rim latch keyed into the deadlock position or a mortice deadlock and two key operated security bolts engaging with the door frame and with internal operation only
  o if double leaf doors:
the standing leaf secured with internal surface mounted key operated security bolts or concealed flush bolts sited top and bottom engaging with the door frame and the floor, and

the final closing leaf secured with either a lock fitted as above dependent on door type or both leaves fitted with a coach-bolted locking bar secured with a close shackle padlock (or, if the locking bar is sited internally, either a close or open shackle padlock) having at least five levers

- if a designated fire door: either
  - a panic bar locking system incorporating bolts which engage both the head and sill of the door frame, or
  - a mortice lock having specific application for emergency exit doors and which is operated from the inside by means of a conventional handle and/or thumb turn mechanism.

- all external ground floor and accessible windows and/or skylights are secured with key operated window locks or screwed shut.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

4 Alarm condition

Where an alarm has been installed at the premises by a National Security Inspectorate NACOSS Approved Company, you must

- ensure that the alarm
  - has been installed in accordance with the alarm company’s specification that has been sent to and approved by us
  - will be fully operational and effective at all times when the premises are closed for business
  - will be maintained under a contract by the alarm company throughout the currency of this section of cover

- notify us immediately following any advice from the police that they will no longer respond following activation of the intruder alarm from the premises.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

5 Waste

If your business includes any

- manufacture
- processing
- repair
- renovation
- workshop (including those used for training and/or rehabilitation purposes)
- or any similar work
you must ensure that

- all rags, cloths and similar materials used to remove or clean up oil, grease or flammable liquids are deposited in metal receptacles fitted with lids when not in use

- at least once a day all trade and workshop waste and refuse is swept up and deposited in non-combustible containers kept away from the buildings and removed from the premises at least weekly.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

6 Calibration procedures and maintenance

You must ensure that all equipment utilised for the purpose of your business is calibrated and/or maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

7 Maintenance of rights and remedies

You must maintain all your rights and remedies against all service providers, designers, consultants or contractors that you engage.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

8 Fire and electrical safety

You must ensure that

- a Gas Safe registered engineer
  - annually inspects and services all gas appliances (including portable heating appliances), fittings and flues, and
  - undertakes all necessary remedial work following the inspection and servicing

- a competent person authorised to undertake building regulations Part P (electrical safety) inspections
  - inspects and services all electrical equipment and appliances (including portable heating appliances) prior to their initial use and at least once every five years following the initial inspection and service
  - inspects the electrical system at least once every five years to ensure safety and compliance with current electrical regulations

- you provide adequate and suitable receptacles for the safe disposal of smoking materials in those areas of the premises where smoking is allowed.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

9 Deep-fat frying equipment precautions

Where you have any deep-fat frying equipment at the premises (other than a table top basket fryer) you must ensure that

- a flame-failure device is fitted when such equipment is gas or oil-fired

- a thermostat is fitted preventing temperature of the fat or oil exceeding 205 degrees centigrade or
the manufacturer's recommended temperature whichever is the lower

- a non-self resetting temperature control is fitted which shuts off the heat source if the temperature of the fat or oil exceeds 230 degrees centigrade or the manufacturer's recommended temperature whichever is the lower

- extraction of heat, fumes and/or combustion products is via either
  
  o an integral duct, or
  
  o an overhead canopy and duct system vented directly to the opening

- all ducts and their fixings and/or supports are constructed of galvanised or stainless steel

- the grease trap, filter and other grease removal devices are cleaned at least once a week or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer

- the grease extract ducting is cleaned at least once a year or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer

- the equipment is serviced in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations at least once a year or at shorter intervals if recommended by the manufacturer

- the equipment is attended at all times by a competent person whilst the heat source is in operation

- an adequately sized fire blanket (meeting the appropriate British Standard) is kept at all times within the vicinity of the range.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

10 Battery charging

When charging batteries for battery powered wheelchairs, scooters or mobility aids you must ensure that

- the batteries are charged in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations

and, if the batteries are vented

- the batteries are charged in a dedicated, well ventilated area that is free of all combustible material and sources of ignition.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

11 Temporary portable heating appliances

Where portable heating appliances are used, you must ensure that

- only electrical or gas fired appliances are used

- they are
  
  o used, maintained and serviced, and
  
  o sited away from combustible materials

in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations
the heater is stable, sited and guarded so as to prevent burns from contact with hot surfaces, naked flames or electric bars

all leads, cables or fuel pipes are adequately secured and protected so as not to present a trip hazard

the heaters are turned off when the area in which they are being used is not occupied.

If you fail to do this your claim under the public/products liability section of cover and the property damage section of cover may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Buildings** means the buildings at the premises. The buildings must be:

- owned by you or occupied either solely by you or in part by you.
- owned or occupied by you in connection with your business and/or as a private dwelling or offices
- constructed of and roofed with non-combustible materials.

The buildings also include:

- landlords fixtures and fittings that are either in or on the buildings
- walls, gates and fences, car parks, yards, private roads, pavements and paths that are all on the same premises as the buildings
- small outside buildings, annexes, loading bays, conveniences, external fire escapes, staircases, gangways and pedestrian ways that are attached to the buildings or belong to them
- lowering and loading apparatus, water and fuel tanks and ancillary equipment, service pipes, trunking, piping, ducting, cables, wires and their associated control gear and accessories that extend from the building to the public mains which you are responsible for and provided that they are not otherwise insured.

**Damage/damaged** means accidental loss, destruction or damage.

**Document** means

- all documents other than
  - stamps
  - currency
  - coins
  - bank notes and bullion
  - travellers cheques
  - cheques
• postal orders
• money orders
• securities
• negotiable instruments and documents of the same kind.

• separable program, instruction or data for physical incorporation into any computer system

that belong to you or for which you are legally responsible for and are in your custody or control (or someone
else entrusted to you) in the course of your business.

Employee means anyone (other than a director of yours) who was, or is or may become
• under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you
• under a work experience or similar scheme with you
• supplied to you or hired in or borrowed by you
• self-employed persons
• volunteers

who work for you in connection with your business and are under your direct control and who are normally
resident in the United Kingdom.

Excess means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. That amount is:
• £1,000 in respect of damage caused by subsidence
• £100 in respect of damage covered under subsection of cover ‘g’ (loss of documents)
• £25 in respect of the theft of keys covered under subsection of cover ‘k’ (replacement of locks)
• £50 in respect of damage covered under subsection of cover ‘o’ (residents’ effects)
• £250 in respect of all other damage.

Fixed glass means fixed glass, including frames and surrounds, in
• windows
• doors
• fanlights
• glass showcases
• tops and mirrors

General contents means
• business equipment
• plant
that are within the **buildings** at the **premises**. (However, **general contents** does not include any item that is insured under the damage to portable property section of cover or which would have been insured but for the operation of any limit, excess, exclusion or condition).

and

- money and stamps, but only for an amount not exceeding £1,000 which is reduced to £500 in respect of theft from anywhere other than from a locked safe
- documents, manuscripts and business books but only for the value of the materials as stationary together with the cost of clerical labour in writing them up and not for the value to **you** of the information contained in the documents, manuscripts or books
- computer system records but only for the value of the materials together with the cost of clerical labour and computer time in reproducing the records (excluding any expense in connection with the production of information to be recorded) and not for the value to **you** of the information contained in the computer system records, but only for an amount not exceeding £10,000
- patterns, models, moulds, plans and designs
- **employees’**, directors’, partners’, customers’ and visitors’ personal belongings, but only for an amount not exceeding £500 per person
- wines, spirits, cigarettes and tobacco goods kept for entertainment purposes only (and not for sale) but only for an amount not exceeding £500 in total in respect of loss or **damage** by theft

but excluding

- landlord’s fixtures and fittings
- **fixed glass**
- vehicles licenced for road use including their accessories and equipment
- **property** that is more specifically insured.

**Insured/** **you/** **your/** **yours** means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

**Premises** means the **buildings** together with its land and outbuildings at the address shown in the policy schedule and which are owned or occupied by **you** (or in part by **you**).

**Property** means property owned by **you** or for which you are legally responsible, shown in the policy schedule and against which a sum insured is shown.

**Reinstatement** means the carrying out of the following work:

- where the **property** is lost or destroyed
  - the rebuilding of the **property** if a **building**, or
  - in respect of other **property**, its replacement by similar **property**

in a condition equal to but not better or more extensive than its condition when new.
where property is damaged, the repair of the damage and the restoration of the damaged portion of the property to a condition substantially the same as but not better or more extensive than its condition when new.

Resident means anyone residing at the premises in the course of your business.

Resident’s accommodation means the area in the premises that is occupied exclusively by the resident for their personal accommodation and which is entered by its own lockable door.

Residents’ effects means

- household goods
- personal effects
- any article of gold, silver or other precious metal
- jewellery
- fur
- curio
- picture or other work of art, or
- stamp collection

belonging to any resident.

However, it doesn't mean any money, motor vehicles or accessories, livestock, securities, cheques or documents of any kind.

Shop fronts means

- fixed glass
- framework
- fittings
- lettering
- signs
- signage
- ornamentation
- burglar alarm foil

of the ground floor frontage of any retail or office unit at the premises.

Specified event means:

- fire, lightning, explosion, aircraft or other aerial devices (or articles dropped from them), earthquake, subterranean fire
- riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances, malicious persons (other than thieves)
• storm, flood, escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe, impact by road vehicle or animal.

**Stock** means

• stock and materials in trade (other than heating oil)
• work in progress
• finished goods

contained within the buildings and which belong to you or held by you in trust or on commission by you and for which you are responsible.

**Subsidence** means subsidence, ground heave or landslip.

**Tenants' improvements** means improvements and decorations at the premises which you are responsible for.

**Unoccupied** means unoccupied, untenanted, empty or not in use.
Business interruption

What is covered

a. Business interruption

If any of the following events occur during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule:

Damage at the premises

- accidental loss, damage or destruction, at the premises, to property that is used by you for the purpose of your business

Denial of access

- accidental loss, damage or destruction to any property in the area near or surrounding the premises which prevents or makes it difficult for you to use or enter the premises for the purpose of your business

Failure of utility supply

- accidental failure of your supply of electricity, gas, water or telecommunication services

Closure or restriction of premises by the Local Authority

- closure or restriction in the use of the premises due to the order or advice of the competent local authority as a result of
  - an occurrence of an infectious disease (or the discovery of an organism resulting in or likely to result in the occurrence of an infectious disease)
  - food poisoning
  - defective drains or other sanitary arrangements
  - vermin or pests
  - an emergency that could endanger life or neighbouring property.

Murder or suicide

- murder or suicide at the premises

Lottery winners

- the resignation of any employee or their breach of their contract of employment following their winning a prize of £100,000 or more (including the national lottery, football pools or premium bonds)

Key individuals

- any governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of yours dying or suffering injury, disease or death

Death of your patron

- the death of your patron or their being subject to a criminal investigation or offending public taste
and as a result the **business** carried on by **you** at the **premises** is interrupted or interfered with then

- **we** will pay **you**
- the resulting reduction in **revenue** and/or increase in cost of working
- the resulting reduction in **rent receivable** and/or increase in cost of working
- the resulting **additional cost of working**.

However,

- **we** will only pay **you** for the reduction in **revenue** and/or increase in cost of working if a sum insured for this is shown under ‘loss of revenue’ in the policy schedule and only in respect of the **premises** shown against that sum insured.

If no sum insured is shown under ‘loss of revenue’ in the policy schedule, **we** will not pay **you**.

- **we** will only pay **you** for the reduction in **rent receivable** and/or increase in cost of working if a sum insured for this is shown under ‘rent receivable’ in the policy schedule and only in respect of the **premises** shown against that sum insured.

If no sum insured is shown under ‘rent receivable’ in the policy schedule, **we** will not pay **you**.

- **we** will only pay **you** for **additional cost of working** if a sum insured for this is shown under ‘additional cost of working’ in the policy schedule and only in respect of the **premises** shown against that sum insured.

If no sum insured is shown under ‘additional cost of working’ in the policy schedule, **we** will not pay **you**.

- where your **business** has been interrupted or interfered with following accidental loss, **damage** or destruction to property at the **premises**, **we** will only pay **you** for the reduction in **revenue** and/or **rent receivable** and/or increase in cost of working and/or **additional cost of working** if:
  - **we** have paid **you** (or admitted liability) for the accidental loss, **damage** or destruction to the property under the property damage section of this policy or would have done so but for the excess under that section of cover, or
  - if **you** do not own and are not responsible for insuring the **premises**, **we** would have paid **you** (or admitted liability) if the **premises** had been insured under the property damage section of cover.

**What we will pay**

- The most **we** will pay under this section of cover in the period of insurance is the sum insured, both of which are shown in the policy schedule.

- The most **we** will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule following the breakdown of **your computer equipment** is £10,000

- The most **we** will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule following the resignation of any **employee** or their breach of their contract of employment is £100,000

- The most **we** will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule following the death, bodily injury, sickness or disease of a governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of **yours** is £100,000
The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule following the death of your patron or their being subject to a criminal investigation or offending public taste is £25,000.

We will not pay you if your patron is aged 70 or over at the time of their death.

In calculating the amount to be paid all variations or special circumstances affecting the business will be taken into account so that the amount paid represents, as closely as possible, the results which would have been expected if the insured event had not occurred.

Revenue

The amount we will pay you for reduction in revenue is the amount the revenue falls short, during the cover period, of the standard revenue as a result of the insured event.

Rent receivable

The amount we will pay you for reduction in rent receivable is the amount the rent receivable falls short, during the cover period, of the standard rent receivable as a result of the insured event.

Increase in cost of working

The amount we will pay you for increase in cost of working is the additional amount of money, necessarily and reasonably spent, for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing the reduction in revenue which would have occurred during the cover period as a result of the insured event had that money not been spent.

However, we will not pay you more than the loss of revenue avoided by spending that additional money.

Additional cost of working

The amount we will pay you for additional cost of working is the amount of money, necessarily and reasonably spent, in order to avoid or diminish the reduction in revenue which would have occurred during the cover period as a result of the insured event had that money not been spent.

Savings

If any of the charges or expenses of the business cease or reduce in consequence of the insured event the amount of the savings during the cover period will be deducted from the amount we pay you.

However, this will not apply to any payment for additional cost of working.

Average

If, at the beginning of the insured event, the sum insured shown in the policy schedule is less than the annual revenue (or, if the maximum cover period shown in the policy schedule exceeds 12 months, a proportionally increased amount) the amount we pay you will be reduced in the same proportion.

However, this will not apply to any payment for additional cost of working.

Professional accountant’s charges

In addition we will also pay you for reasonable professional accountants charges for producing any particulars or details from your business books or any other proofs, information or evidence.
we may require under claims condition 3 (business interruption) including that the proofs, information or evidence are in accordance with your business books or documents.

- Alternative trading

If, during the cover period, the services provided by your business are provided from somewhere other than the premises, either by you or on your behalf, the money paid or payable in respect of those services provided will be taken into account in arriving at the reduction in revenue during the cover period.

- Reinstatement of loss

In the event of a loss covered by this section of cover the sum insured will not be reduced by the amount of that loss provided you pay any appropriate additional premium we may require, and comply with any reasonable requirements we may require to prevent any further loss.

b Book debts

If your books of account or other business books or records are damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule and as a result you are unable to trace or establish the outstanding debit balances due to you then we will pay you:

- the difference between the outstanding debit balances and the total amount actually received or paid in respect of those outstanding debit balances.
- the additional amount of money spent, with our written consent, in tracing and establishing your customer’s and client’s debit balances after the damage.
- the reasonable charges which you have to pay your accountants for producing information which we require and for confirming that the information is in accordance with your accounts.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £10,000

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any fine or penalty or non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from:

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel.
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component.
• pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
• riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

• war and/or terrorism
• any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
• any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

• contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.

5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost, or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Other insurance

We will not pay you more than our proportionate share if your loss is covered by any other insurance.

8 Failure of supply

• We will not pay you for any loss resulting from damage caused by the deliberate act of a supplier in withholding the supply of water, gas, electricity, fuel or telecommunication services
other than loss resulting from any subsequent **damage** which in itself is not excluded under this section of cover.

However, this exclusion shall not apply if the withholding by the supplier is

- for the sole purpose of safeguarding life, or
- for protecting any part of the supplier’s system, or
- a result of a scheme of rationing due to **damage** to the supplier’s premises.

- **We** will not pay **you** for any loss resulting from accidental failure of **your** supply of electricity, gas, water or telecommunication services
  
  - which does not involve a lack of supply for at least 24 consecutive hours
  - which is caused by strikes, labour or trade disputes, or drought.

**Conditions that apply to this section of cover**

1. **Value Added Tax clause**

   To the extent that **you** are accountable to the tax authorities for Value Added Tax all terms in this policy shall be exclusive of that tax.

   If **you** fail to do this **your** claim may not be covered or the amount **we** pay **you** may be reduced.

2. **Current cost accounting**

   Any adjustment implemented in current cost accounting shall be disregarded.

   If **you** fail to do this **your** claim may not be covered or the amount **we** pay **you** may be reduced.

3. **Book debts**

   **You** must keep a monthly record of the amounts outstanding in customers accounts, as set out in your own accounts and that this is kept at a place other than the premises.

   If **you** fail to do this **your** claim may not be covered or the amount **we** pay **you** may be reduced.

**Words with special meanings (definitions)**

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Additional cost of working** means additional costs. This includes, but is not limited to:

- the cost of moving to and from temporary **premises** and the additional rent, rates and taxes
- the cost of equipping temporary **premises** and the resulting additional rent, rates and taxes
- the additional cost of lighting, heating and water
- the cost of additional staff and overtime and allowances to existing staff

**Annual revenue** means the **revenue** during the 12 months immediately before the start of the insured
**Cover period** means the period beginning with the start of the **insured event** and ending not later than

- in respect of
  - the resignation of any employee or their breach of their contract of employment following their winning a prize, or
  - any governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of yours dying or suffering injury, disease or death,

  12 months or the maximum cover period shown in the policy schedule whichever is the least

- in respect of the death of your patron or their being subject to a criminal investigation or offending public taste, 3 months or the maximum cover period shown in the policy schedule whichever is the least

- in respect of all other **insured events**, the maximum cover period shown in the policy schedule, during which your business is adversely affected as a result of the **insured event**.

**Customers accounts** means the accounts of all your customers and clients to whom goods are supplied, services rendered or advice given on a credit basis.

**Damage** means accidental loss, destruction or damage.

**Insured/you/your/yours** means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

**Insured event** means

- accidental loss, damage or destruction, at the **premises**, to property that is used by you for the purpose of your business

- accidental loss, damage or destruction to any property in the area near or surrounding the **premises** which prevents or makes it difficult for you to use or enter the **premises** for the purpose of your business

- accidental failure of your supply of electricity, gas, water or telecommunication services

- closure or restriction in the use of the **premises** due to the order or advice of the competent local authority as a result of
  - an occurrence of an infectious disease (or the discovery of an organism resulting in or likely to result in the occurrence of an infectious disease)
  - food poisoning
  - defective drains or other sanitary arrangements
  - vermin or pests
  - an emergency that could endanger life or neighbouring property

- murder or suicide at the **premises**

- the resignation of any employee or their breaching of their contract of employment with you following their winning a prize of £100,000 or more (including the national lottery, football pools or premium bonds)

- any governor, director, council member, officer or trustee of yours dying or suffering injury, disease or
death

- the death of your patron or their being subject to a criminal investigation or offending public taste

**Outstanding debit balances** means the total amount recorded as owed by customers or clients set out in your accounts and adjusted for

- bad debts
- amounts debited (or invoiced but not yet debited) and credited (including credit notes and cash not passed through the books at the time of the damage)
- any abnormal condition of trade which had, or could have had, a material affect on your business

so that the adjusted amount represents, as closely as possible, the amount which would have applied at the date of the damage if the damage had not occurred.

**Premises** means the buildings together with its land and outbuildings at the address shown in the policy schedule and which are owned or occupied by you (or in part by you).

**Rent receivable** means the amount of rent and service charges received or receivable from the letting of the premises.

**Revenue** means the money paid or payable to you for work or services provided in the course of your business at the premises.

**Standard rent receivable** means the rent receivable during the period of the same length as the cover period in the 12 months immediately before the start of the insured event

**Standard revenue** means the revenue during the period of the same length as the cover period in the 12 months immediately before the start of the insured event

**Start** means

- the date the accidental loss, damage or destruction occurred
- the date your supply of electricity, gas, water or telecommunications failed
- the date of closure or restrictions of the premises were applied
- the date of discovery of murder or suicide
- the date your employee resigned or broke their contract of employment
- the date your governor, director, council member, officer or trustee died or the injury or disease occurred
- the date your patron’s death, being subject to a criminal investigation or offence to public taste became public knowledge
Damage to portable property

What is covered

Damage to portable property

If the portable property, or any part of the portable property is damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will, at our option, either

- pay you the value of the portable property at the time of the damage, or
- restore, repair, or replace the portable property or any part of the portable property that was damaged.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed the sum insured shown in the policy schedule for this section of cover.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to each incident or event of damage.

Basis of settlement

In the event of damage to portable property, we will calculate the amount we will pay you on a reinstatement basis.

Reinstatement of sums insured

Following damage which is insured under this section of cover the sums insured will be automatically restored to their original amount from the date of the damage, provided that you

- pay any additional premium we may require
- comply with any reasonable recommendations we may make to prevent further damage.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1. Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2. Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
• pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds
and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
• riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
• war and/or terrorism
• any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
• any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.
• contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.

5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Other insurance

We will not pay you more than our proportionate share if the damage is covered by any other insurance.

8 Wear and tear

We will not pay you for damage caused by or consisting of
• wear and tear
• depreciation
• gradual deterioration
• vermin, moth or insects
• fungus
• condensation
• any gradually operating cause, or
• any process of cleaning, dyeing, repairing or renovation.

9 Unexplained Shortages

We will not pay you for damage caused by or consisting of unexplained disappearance or inventory shortage.

10 Unattended property

We will not pay you for damage to portable property caused or consisting of

• unexplained shortage or disappearance
• theft whilst the portable property is left unattended.
• theft from premises where the portable property is being stored.

However,

• if the portable property is concealed in a locked boot area within a vehicle, and
  o all points of access to the vehicle are securely locked and security devices put in full and proper operation, and
  o force is used to gain entry to the vehicle and the entry causes external and visible damage to the vehicle

then this exclusion shall not apply to

  o theft or attempted theft of portable property from an unattended vehicle or
  o theft of portable property where the vehicle is stolen at the same time.

• if the theft from premises where the portable property is being stored
  o involves entry to or exit from the premises by forcible and violent means, or
  o the portable property is not being used or stored in any yard, car park, open space or open sided building

then this exclusion shall not apply.

• this exclusion shall not apply if damage is a result of or connected with assault or violence (or any threat of assault or violence) to you or your employee or any of you or your employee's
11. Mechanical/electrical breakdown

*We* will not pay *you* for *damage* caused by or consisting of mechanical or electrical breakdown of the *portable property* unless caused by accidental damage to the exterior of the *portable property*.

12. False pretence

*We* will not pay *you* for *damage* caused by the voluntary parting with title or possession of any *portable property* insured if induced by any fraudulent scheme, trick, device or false pretence.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Damage** means accidental loss, destruction or damage

**Excess** means the first amount of any claim for which *you* are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is £100.

**Insured/ you/ your/ yours** means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

**Portable Property** means the property shown in the policy schedule in respect of this section of cover.

**Reinstatement** means the carrying out of the following work:

- where the *portable property* is lost or destroyed its replacement by similar property in a condition equal to but not better or more extensive that its condition when new

- where *portable property* is *damaged*, the repair of the *damage* and the restoration of the *damaged* portion of the property to a condition substantially the same as but not better or more extensive than its condition when new.
Money and personal assault

What is covered

a. Money

We will pay you for loss of money within the United Kingdom, occurring during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, whilst the money is

- in transit
- in the premises
- in any private residence
- on contract or exhibition sites whilst employees are working there at the time
- in the night safe or at a bank

We will also pay you for the cost of repair or reinstatement of any

- safe
- strongroom
- cash register
- cash carrying case or bag
- franking machine

lost or damaged by theft or attempted theft of money.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for any one loss of negotiable money and non-negotiable money is the amount specified in the policy schedule in respect of this section of cover. However, in respect of negotiable money only:

- £5,000 if the negotiable money is lost, other than if the loss is
  - from the premises out of working hours or from any private residence when it is not kept in a locked safe or strongroom
  - whilst in transit by registered post
  - from any contract or exhibition site when it is not kept in a locked safe or strongroom
  - the most we will pay for each loss is £500

- if the loss is from any private residence when kept in a locked safe or strongroom the most we will pay for each loss is £1,000

- if the loss is from any contract or exhibition site when kept in a locked safe or strongroom the most we will pay for each loss is £1,000

- if the loss is from the premises when kept in a locked safe or strongroom the most we will pay for
each loss is £2,500

The most we will pay in total during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for any loss of money that results in any way from the fraudulent use of any company credit or debit cards issued in connection with your business is the amount specified in the schedule in respect of this section of cover.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to each claim for loss of money.

b Personal Assault

If an insured person suffers injury, or loss of or damage to clothing and personal effects during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule as a direct result of robbery or attempted robbery in the course of the business, we will pay you the benefit set out below.

What we will pay

We will pay the amount specified in the policy schedule in respect of this section of cover, however

- we will only pay the benefit for either death, loss of limbs, loss of sight or speech or hearing or permanent total disablement inclusive for any one insured person
- death, loss of limbs, loss of sight or speech or hearing or permanent total disablement must occur within 104 weeks of sustaining the injury
- to qualify for the benefit for temporary total disablement the insured person must have received medical attention from and continued under the care of a qualified medical practitioner
- the benefit for temporary total disablement is payable for a maximum of 104 weeks from the date of suffering the injury
- the benefit for temporary total disablement is no longer payable once the benefit for death, loss of limbs, loss of sight or speech or hearing or permanent total disablement becomes claimable.

And, in respect of

- loss of, or damage to, clothing and personal effects belonging to an insured person, the amount payable will be the amount of the loss or damage up to a maximum of £500
- medical expenses, we will pay the costs incurred up to a maximum of £250 per injury.

c Business Visits Abroad

We will pay you for loss of money outside of the United Kingdom during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule and arising out of visits in connection with your business by you or any director or partner of yours or any employee

What we will pay

The most we will pay for any one claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause is £500

d Residents’ money

We will pay you or a resident for loss of resident’s money whilst it is in the resident’s accommodation.

What we will pay
The most we will pay for any one loss of resident’s money is £500.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
- riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- war and/or terrorism
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.
- contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.
5 Other insurance

We will not pay you more than our proportionate share if the damage is covered by any other insurance.

6 Collection boxes

We will not pay you for loss of money from collection boxes or similar containers that are not in your custody or control or in the custody or control of a partner, governor, director, council member, member, officer or trustee of yours or of an employee.

7 Gaming machines

We will not pay you for loss of money in gaming, amusement, change giving or vending machines.

8 Fraud or dishonesty

We will not pay you for loss due to fraud or dishonesty of employees unless the loss is discovered within 30 days of it occurring.

9 Shortages

We will not pay you for shortages due to mysterious disappearance, unexplained shortages, accounting or clerical error or omissions.

10 Unattended motor vehicle

We will not pay you for loss of money from unattended motor vehicles.

11 Depreciation/counterfeit money

We will not pay you for loss resulting from or due to depreciation in value or to the use of counterfeit currency.

12 Falsification of accounts

We will not pay you for loss due to falsification of accounts.

13 Fidelity guarantee

We will not pay you for loss of money where you are entitled to payment under a Fidelity Guarantee or similar insurance policy.

14 Unregistered post

We will not pay you for loss of money in transit sent by unregistered post.

15 Credit cards

We will not pay you for loss due to the use of any company credit or debit card if the provisions, conditions and other terms under which the cards have been issued have not been fully complied with.

16 Children and age

We will not pay you

- for injury due in any way to, or prolonged by, pregnancy or childbirth.
- for any insured person under the age of 16 years or over the age of 70 years.
in respect of property belonging to any insured person under the age of 16 years or over the age of 75 years.

17 Resident's money

We will not pay you or the resident for loss of money from the resident's accommodation unless the loss involves entry to or exit from the resident's accommodation by forcible and violent means by, helped, or in any way brought about by you, any member of your family, or any director, partner or employee of yours.

However, this exclusion shall not apply if the loss involves assault or violence or the threat of assault or violence to you, the resident, or to any member of your family or any director, partner or employee of yours.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Record of money

You shall ensure that a complete record is kept of

- money in transit
- money in any premises at which money is covered under this section of cover

and that the record is deposited in some place other than in any safe or strongroom containing money.

2 Keys and combination codes

You shall ensure that no keys or combination codes of any safe or strongroom containing money are in the premises out of working hours. However, if you or a director or partner of yours or any employee (who is entrusted with money) permanently reside at the premises, the keys or combination codes of any safe or strongroom containing money shall, out of working hours, not be

- in the business portion of the premises.
- in or about that particular portion of the premises in which the safe or strongroom is kept or situated.

3 Escorted money

You shall ensure that each single transit of negotiable money above £2,500 is escorted by at least 2 responsible able-bodied adults.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Death means death resulting solely and directly from the injury.

Employee means any person, (other than a director of yours) who is (or was or who may be in the future):

- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you, or
• under a work experience or similar scheme, or
• supplied to or hired in or borrowed by you, or
• self-employed persons, or
• volunteers

and who are working for you under your direct control in connection with your business and normally resident in the United Kingdom.

Excess means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is £100.

Injury means bodily injury caused solely and directly by violent, external and visible means.

Insured/you/your/yours means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

Insured person means any principal, partner, governor, director, council member, member, officer, trustee or employee of yours or any member of their family.

Loss of limbs means total loss of use of one or more hands or feet resulting solely and directly from suffering the injury.

Loss of sight or speech or hearing means total and irrecoverable loss of
• all sight in one or both eyes, or
• the power of speech, or
• the sense of hearing
resulting solely and directly from suffering the injury.

Medical expenses means the cost of surgical or other remedial attention, treatment or appliances given or prescribed by a qualified member of the medical profession together with hospital, nursing home and ambulance charges following injury for which a benefit is payable under this section of cover.

Money means negotiable money and non-negotiable money which you are responsible for and used for the purpose of your business.

Negotiable money means cash (current coin, bank and currency notes), uncrossed cheques, uncrossed postal and money orders, unused postage stamps, National Savings Stamps and Certificates, unexpired units in franking machines, luncheon and customer redemption vouchers, trading stamps, holiday with pay stamps, telephone cards and travel tickets (solely for your personal use, or use by any director, partner or any employee of yours)

Non-negotiable money means crossed cheques (including crossed giro cheques and drafts but excluding pre-signed blank cheques), crossed bankers’ drafts, crossed postal and money orders, crossed warrants, VAT purchase invoices, company credit and/or debit cards, credit and debit card sales vouchers and Premium Bonds

Permanent total disablement means permanent total disablement (other than loss of limb or loss of sight or speech or hearing) resulting solely and directly from injury which necessarily and continuously prevents the insured person from attending to business or occupation of any description and is beyond hope of improvement.

Premises means the premises shown in the policy schedule of this insurance and which are occupied by you in the course of your business.
Private residence means the private residence, away from the premises, where you or any director, partner, employee or authorised representative (who is entrusted with money) of yours permanently reside.

Resident means anyone residing at the premises in the course of your business.

Resident’s accommodation means the area in the premises that is occupied exclusively by the resident for their personal accommodation and which is entered by its own lockable door.

Resident’s money means current coin, bank and currency notes, uncrossed cheques, uncrossed postal and money orders and National Savings Stamps and Certificates belonging to the resident.

Temporary total disablement means total disablement resulting solely and directly from injury which necessarily prevents the insured person from attending to his/her usual business or occupation or, if the insured person has no occupation, necessarily confines the person to a private dwelling or other location where he/she is under treatment.

Working hours means your normal working hours including overtime, during which you or any employees who are entrusted with money are

- in that portion of the premises used solely for the purposes of your business
- on a contract or exhibition site for the purposes of your business.
Transit

What is covered

If the property, or any part of the property is damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule whilst in transit, we will, at our option, either

- pay you the value of the property at the time of the damage, or
- repair, restore or replace the property or any part of the property that was damaged.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule will not exceed the limit.

We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to every separate incident or event of damage.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds

and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only

- riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- war and/or terrorism
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association
regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

- contamination due to terrorism

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 Confiscation etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.

5 Electronic data

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including computer virus) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, damage, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 Mould

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 Own premises

We will not pay you for any damage that occurs at any premises owned, leased or rented by you.

However, this exclusion shall not apply to damage occurring during the loading or unloading of the property onto or from the means of transit.

8 Unattended vehicles

We will not pay you for any damage caused by theft or attempted theft or resulting from unexplained shortage or disappearance if your vehicle is left unattended.

However, this exclusion will not apply

- if the property is permanently fixed in position
- if the property is out of sight in a locked compartment or locked boot within the vehicle and the vehicle
  - is securely locked at all points of access and any security devices are put into full and proper operation, and
  - all keys are removed, and
  - between the hours of 19:00 and 08:00 the vehicle is
garaged in a securely locked building, or
 contained in a securely locked vehicle park or compound with a security attendant on duty at all times.

9 **Wear and tear**

*We* will not pay *you* for *damage* caused by or consisting of

- wear and tear
- depreciation
- gradual deterioration
- vermin, moth or insects, fungus
- condensation
- any gradually operating cause
- any process of cleaning, dyeing, repairing or renovation, or
- any other deterioration that is not directly caused by fire or accidental damage

10 **Mechanical/electrical breakdown**

*We* will not pay *you* for *damage* caused by or consisting of mechanical or electrical breakdown of the *property*.

However, this exclusion will not apply if *damage* first occurs to the exterior of the *property*.

11 **Livestock**

*We* will not pay *you* for *damage* to any living creature.

However, this exclusion will not apply if the *damage* is caused by fire, explosion, theft or attempted theft.

12 **Defective packaging**

*We* will not pay *you* for *damage* caused by

- defective or inadequate packing
- insufficient or incorrect addressing.

13 **Other insurance**

*We* will not pay *you* more than our proportionate share if the *damage* is covered by any other insurance.

**Words with special meanings (definitions)**

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

*Damage/* *damaged* means accidental loss, destruction or damage.
**Excess** means the first amount of any claim for which **you** are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is £100.

**Insured/you/your/yours** means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

**Limit** means the maximum amount **we** will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is £5,000.

**Property** means property that is owned by **you** or for which **you** are responsible, however, it does not mean

- deeds, bonds, bills of exchange, money, securities for money, cheques, promissory notes, stamps and documents of any kind
- bullion, precious stones, jewellery, articles of gold, silver or other precious metal or furs
- explosives

**Transit** means transit within the **United Kingdom** in connection with the **business** including the loading and/or unloading of the **property** onto or from the vehicle.
Refrigerated stock

What is covered

If property in the cold chamber of a refrigerating machine is damaged during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule we will, at our option, either

- pay you the value of the property at the time of the damage, or
- replace the property.

What we will pay

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is £2,500. We will not pay the excess. This must be paid by you. The excess applies to each incident or event of damage.

Reinstatement of sums insured

Following damage which is insured under this section of cover the sums insured will be automatically restored to their original amount from the date of the damage, provided that you

- pay any additional premium we may require
- comply with any reasonable recommendations we may make to prevent further damage.

What is not covered (exclusions)

1 Fines and penalties

We will not pay you for any

- fine or penalty
- non-compensatory damages.

2 Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
- riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3 War risks and terrorism
We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- **war** and/or **terrorism**
- any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing **war** and/or **terrorism**
- any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any **unlawful association**

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

- **contamination due to terrorism**

If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4 **Confiscation etc.**

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority.

5 **Electronic data**

We will not pay you against loss, destruction, **damage**, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration of electronic data from any cause (including **computer virus**) or any resulting loss of use, reduction in functionality, cost or expense, of whatever nature, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, destruction, **damage**, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration.

This exclusion does not exclude physical loss, destruction, **damage**, distortion, erasure, corruption or alteration directly caused by fire or explosion.

6 **Mould**

We will not pay you or an officer for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

7 **Other insurance**

We will not pay you more than our proportionate share if the **damage** is covered by any other insurance.

8 **Age limitation**

We will not pay you for **damage** occurring in any refrigerating machine which is more than 10 years old.

9 **Wilful acts**

We will not pay you for **damage** arising from your deliberate and intentional act or neglect.

10 **Cleaning**

We will not pay you for **damage** arising from any process of cleaning, repairing or restoring.

11 **Loss of power supply**
We will not pay you for damage arising from the deliberate act of your power supply provider. However, this exclusion will not apply if the action of your power supplier was prompted to protect human life or the power supply system.

12 Wear and tear

We will not pay you for any damage caused by

- wear and tear
- depreciation
- gradual deterioration
- vermin, moth or insects
- fungus
- condensation, or
- any gradually operating cause.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

**Damage** means loss or damage due to deterioration or putrefaction due to a rise or fall in temperature.

**Excess** means the first amount of any claim for which you are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is £100.

**Insured/ you/ your/ yours** means the person named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

**Property** means foodstuffs belonging to you or for which you are responsible.
Cyber and data risks

What is covered

a Data loss

If you suffer a data breach in connection with your business, during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, for 90 days immediately following your first discovery, we will pay your costs, reasonably incurred with our written consent, of

- using the services of the cyber response service to
  - contain, recover and assess the data breach
  - comply with United Kingdom legal requirements to establish a credit monitoring, identity theft and/or similar mitigation service
- complying with United Kingdom legal requirements to notify third parties and/or employees of an actual or suspected data breach
- notifying third parties and/or employees of an actual or suspected data breach where there are no legal requirements to do so but where notification will effectively reduce or avoid a loss which otherwise you would have been entitled to payment under subsection of cover b (data liability).

b Data liability

We will pay your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim first made against you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from a data breach in connection with your business.

In addition we will pay your costs and expenses resulting from the claim.

c Cyber loss

We will pay your costs, incurred with our written consent

- in restoring, replacing, rebuilding, replicating or reinstating your computer equipment that has been subjected to a cyber attack
- to contain, reduce and/or pay a ransom demand resulting from data extortion

first discovered by you and reported to us in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

d Cyber liability

We will pay your legal liability for damages and costs awarded against you arising from any claim first made against you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule which arises from

- your negligent transmission of a computer virus that has originated from or passed through your computer equipment
- a cyber attack
- an e-media incident

in connection with your business.
In addition we will pay your costs and expenses resulting from the claim.

e Network interruption

If your computer equipment is subject to a cyber attack, first discovered and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, and as a result your business is interrupted or interfered with then we will pay you the subsequent reduction in your net profit (before taxes) and/or increase in cost of working.

The amount we will pay in respect of the reduction in your net profit will be determined by taking into account

- your net profit in the months preceding the cyber attack
- your probable net profit during the cover period had the cyber attack not occurred
- seasonal variations and influences
- changes in market and/or economic conditions

However, the amount we will pay will not include any increase in net profit you would likely have attained as a result of an increase in volume of business due to favourable business conditions caused by the impact of a similar event on other businesses.

The amount we will pay in respect of increase in cost of working shall be the additional amount of money, necessarily and reasonably spent, in order to avoid or reduce the reduction in your net profit which would have occurred during the cover period as a result of the cyber attack had that money not been spent.

If any of the charges or expenses of your business cease or are reduced as a result of the cyber attack the amount of those savings during the cover period shall be deducted from the amount we pay you.

We will not pay you where the interruption or interference to your business arises from or involves in any way a self-replicating or non-targeted computer virus, or hacking incident.

f Cyber crime

We will pay you

- the theft of your money or funds, and/or
- the cost of unintended or unauthorized call or bandwidth charges to your telephone systems directly resulting from a cyber attack on your computers

However, we will not pay you where the theft of your money or funds

- arises from the fraudulent representation of you by one of your clients or customers
- is the result of a cyber attack against your customers or suppliers

g Compensation for court attendance

If at our request

- any director or partner of yours, or
- any employee
attends a court as a witness in connection with a claim we will pay you the following amounts:

- for any director or partner £500 per day
- for any employee £250 per day

for each day on which attendance is required.

**h Public relations crisis management**

We will pay you for costs resulting from the use, with our prior agreement, of the crisis response service following a crisis.

In addition we will pay any other related costs agreed with us.

However, you must:

- immediately notify us of any event or circumstances which might result in you seeking payment under this section of cover and comply with our recommendations or the recommendations of the crisis response service
- take all reasonable and practical measures to avoid or reduce the costs of the crisis

**i Regulatory investigations/fines**

Despite exclusions 1 (fines and penalties) and 12 (contractual liability) of this section of cover, we will pay you

- the cost of legal representation, that we agree to in writing, at any investigation or proceedings brought about by the United Kingdom Information Commissioner’s Office in connection with any matter for which you might receive payment from us under this section of cover. Examples of investigations or proceedings are those brought under the Data Protection Act 1988 and/or General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)
- any PCI fines, penalty, fine or award made against you provided that it is legally permissible to insure against the payment of the penalty, fine or award.

**What we will pay**

The most we will pay in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for

- all costs in total, plus
- all claims in total, plus
- all costs and expenses in total, plus
- the reduction in your net profit and/or increase in cost of working in total is the limit.

However, the most we will pay in total in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule

- under subsection of cover c (cyber loss) in respect of containing, reducing and/or paying a ransom demand resulting from data extortion is £25,000
- under subsection of cover e (network interruption) is £50,000
- under subsection of cover f (cyber crime) is £25,000
- under subsection of cover h (public relations crisis management) is £25,000
under subsection of cover i (regulatory investigations/fines) is £100,000

these amounts are included within and are not in addition of the **limit**

**We** will not pay the **excess**. This must be paid by **you**. The **excess** applies to every separate claim. **data breach, data extortion**, loss of money or funds and/or cost of unintended or unauthorized call or bandwith charges under subsections of cover a (data loss), b (data liability), c (cyber loss), d (cyber liability) and g (cyber crime).

Under subsection of cover e (network interruption) **we** will not pay for any reduction in **your** net profit occurring during the **time retention**. This must be paid by **you**.

**What is not covered (exclusions)**

1. **Fines and penalties**
   - **We** will not pay **you** for any
     - fine or penalty
     - non-compensatory damages.
   
   This exclusion does not apply to subsection of cover h (regulatory investigations/fines).

2. **Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc**
   - **We** will not pay **you** for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
     - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
     - the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
     - pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds and in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland only
     - riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3. **War risks and terrorism**
   - **We** will not pay **you** for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
     - **war** and/or **terrorism**
     - any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing **war** and/or **terrorism**
     - any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any **unlawful association**

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

- contamination due to **terrorism**

If **we** allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving
otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

This exclusion does not apply in the context of a hacking incident or computer virus initiated for the sole purpose of exacting malice against you or commercial gain from you.

4 Confiscation etc.

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from

- confiscation, requisition, nationalisation, seizure, detention or destruction by any government, public, local or customs authority, and

- access by any government, public, local or customs authority or any order by the authority to take down, deactivate or block access to your computer equipment.

5 Mould

We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from mould or a mould event.

6 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

7 Betterment

We will not pay you to the extent that your computer equipment or your financial position are in a better or improved position compared to their position in the absence of the event giving rise to payment under this section of cover.

8 Legal action

We will not pay you under subsection of cover b (data liability) or d (cyber liability)

- where the claim is brought in a court of law outside the jurisdiction of the European Union, and/or

- where action for damages is brought in a court within the European Union to enforce a foreign judgment.

9 Geographical limits

We will not pay you for any legal liability or loss that you suffer that results from the conduct of your business outside of the United Kingdom other than whilst a director of yours or an employee is temporarily outside the United Kingdom in connection with your business.

10 Employers liability

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises in any way from

- bodily injury, mental injury, emotional distress, shock, sickness, disease or death (other than
emotional distress arising from a **data breach** to any **employee** that results from their employment by **you**, or

- a breach of your responsibility as an employer to any **employee** or prospective **employee**.

### 11 Dishonest and malicious acts

**We** will not pay **you** where **your** legal liability or any loss that **you suffer** results from any

- dishonest
- fraudulent
- criminal
- malicious
- wilful, or
- reckless act or omission of any
- board director
- trustee
- governor
- council member
- committee member
- partner, or member of **yours**
- in-house lawyers of **yours**
- risk managers
- chief operating officers
- chief technology officers
- chief information officers
- chief privacy officers
- self-employed persons working for **you**
- or any other person acting in a similar capacity

or any

- dishonest
- fraudulent
- criminal, or
- malicious
act or omission committed by any person after the discovery of reasonable cause for suspicion of that person.

In addition:

- no one will be entitled to payment in respect of any legal liability and/or costs and expenses resulting from their dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission or from condoning such an act or omission.

- we will deduct from any amount payable by us:
  - any amounts due from you to the person committing or condoning the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission
  - any amounts held by you and owed to the person committing or condoning the dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission
  - any amounts recovered following action in accordance with general condition 1 (subrogation) of this policy.

12 Contractual liability

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from any agreement you have entered if your liability is increased beyond that applicable in the absence of the agreement.

13 Joint ventures

If you are part of a joint venture or consortium we will only cover you for your legal liability arising from your own acts or omissions; we will not pay you where your legal liability arises from the acts or omissions of other members of the joint venture or consortium.

14 Circumstances known at inception

If you knew or ought to have known of any circumstance s that existed prior to the date that this section of cover started then we will not pay you for any legal liability or loss that you suffer that arises from those circumstances.

15 Retroactive date

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from the carrying out of your business prior to the retroactive date.

16 Injury/property damage

We will not pay you where your legal liability arises from any claim

- for bodily injury, mental injury, emotional distress, shock, sickness, disease or death sustained by any person (other than emotional distress arising from a data breach), or.

- for any loss, damage or destruction of property including the loss of use of the property (other than in respect of computer equipment)

17 Insolvency/bankruptcy

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer results in any way from your insolvency or bankruptcy, or the insolvency or bankruptcy of your suppliers, subcontractors or service providers.
18 Financial interest

We will not pay you for any claim made against you by

- any parent company, ultimate holding company or subsidiary company, or
- any person or entity having a financial, executive or controlling interest in your operation, or
- any company or entity in which you or any director, member or partner of yours has a financial, executive or controlling interest.

However, we will pay you if the claim is one for payment or contribution in respect of a claim made by an independent third party against the company, person or entity making the claim against you.

19 Trading losses

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer arises in any way from any

- trading losses, or
- trading liabilities, or
- debts incurred

by any business managed by or carried on by you.

This exclusion shall not apply to subsection of cover e (network interruption).

20 Patents

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer arises in any way from any actual or alleged infringement of any patent.

21 Directors and officers

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer arises in any way from or is in connection with the performance or non-performance by you, any director or member of yours, or any employee, of any duties as a director or officer of any company.

22 Taxation, competition, restraint of trade and anti-trust

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer arises in any way from a breach of any regulation or legislation governing taxation, competition, restraint of trade or anti-trust provisions.

23 Electromagnetic or electrical disturbances

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer arises from

- electromagnetic fields, electromagnetic radiation, electromagnetic pulses, electromagnetism, solar flares and storms, or any other type of radiation
- any alleged or actual electrical or mechanical failures and/or interruption including electrical disturbance, surge or spike.

24 Infrastructure failures

We will not pay you where your legal liability or any loss that you suffer arises from any failure of the provision of your infrastructure and utilities including the provision of gas, water, electricity,
telecommunications or internet services.

25 Data extortion

We will not pay you for any loss that you suffer arising from data extortion by an employee or a self-employed person working for you or anyone acting in collusion with them.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Data extortion

You must not disclose the existence of the cover provided in respect of data extortion to anyone.

You must advise, or allow us to advise the police of any data extortion.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

2 Calibration procedures and maintenance

You must ensure that all equipment utilised for the purpose of your business is calibrated and/or maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

3 Maintenance of rights and remedies

You must maintain all your rights and remedies against all service providers, designers, consultants or contractors that you engage.

If you fail to do this your claim may not be covered or the amount we pay you may be reduced.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Cover period means the period starting immediately following the expiry of the time retention and ending not later than 30 days afterwards.

Crisis means a data breach or any event which would result in a payment under this section of cover and where in our opinion there is a risk to your business as a consequence of adverse press, publicity or media attention.

Crisis response service means the public relations specialist services provided by us or on our behalf.

Cyber attack means either

- a hacking incident, or
- a denial of service attack.

Cyber response service means the IT security specialist services provided by us or on our behalf.

Data breach means

- when used under subsection of cover a (data loss), the
- loss of, and/or
- unlawful or unauthorised alteration of, and/or
- inappropriate publication of, and/or
- theft of
data kept on your computer equipment or held by you in non-electronic format

- when used elsewhere in this section of cover, the
  - loss of, and/or
  - unlawful or unauthorised alteration of, and/or
  - inappropriate publication of, and/or
  - theft of either electronic or non-electronic data.

Data extortion means a demand made against you by someone who threatens to introduce, start or continue a data breach which could result in you suffering a financial loss if the demand is not met.

Denial of service attack means an unlawful or unauthorised attempt by someone, that is specifically targeted at you alone and not at anyone else, to overload, hinder, interrupt or suspend service to your computer equipment via the internet.

E-media incident means
- libel, slander or defamation, or
- unintentional infringement of intellectual property rights or any unintentional act of passing off solely occasioned through
- your website content
- your social media presence (including comments made by others for which you may be held legally responsible), or
- your other online mediums.

Employee means anyone (other than a director of yours) who was, or is or may become
- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you
- under a work experience or similar scheme with you
- supplied to you or hired in or borrowed by you

and who work for you in connection with your business and are under your direct control and who are normally resident in the United Kingdom.

Excess means the first amount of any claim or payment for which you are responsible. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

Hacking incident means an electronic attack of a malicious or unauthorised nature, by someone (including an employee) with the intention of damaging, destroying, altering, encrypting, overloading or interfering with your computer systems or records.
**Insured, you, your, yours** means

- the person or persons, and/or
- the firm and all partners and former partners in the firm, and/or
- the limited liability partnership, and/or
- the trust, and/or
- the company

named as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

In the event of the death, incompetency, incapacity, bankruptcy or insolvency of any natural person named as the policyholder or partner or former partner of the policyholder then it also means

- the estate, and/or
- the heirs, and/or
- the legal representatives (including anyone to whom their rights or liabilities have been legally transferred or anyone appointed to act for them)

of the person or partner concerned.

In addition, if you request us to, we will pay the following persons in the same way that we would pay you provided that they observe, fulfil and are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy as you are:

- any director or member of yours, or
- any employee.

**Limit** means the maximum amount we will pay. The amount in respect of this section of cover is shown in the policy schedule.

**PCI fines** means those fines imposed against you due to a breach of the PCI Data Security Standard, but only as a result of a data breach.

**Retroactive date** means either

- the date when this section of cover was first incepted, or
- where equivalent cover to that provided under this section of cover has been continuously maintained immediately prior to the inception of this section of cover, then it means the date that applied to that equivalent cover.

**Time retention** means 24 hours starting from the time of your first discovery of a cyber attack.
Legal expenses

What is covered

a  Property and landlord and tenant disputes

a1  Property disputes

We will pay your costs and expenses to obtain damages or another legal remedy for property disputes where:

- your property is trespassed upon
- your property is subject to nuisance by another party
- you defend someone's claim of right of way across your property
- you pursue a right over another's property which is described in the title documents of your property
- you pursue someone for material damage to your property and you are unable to recover this elsewhere

and this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you to pursue your claim if the other party owns some or all of the property or they allege they do.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if the dispute is a contractual dispute.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if there is a dispute over rights to or over another's property which is alleged to have arisen through your use or occupation over a period of time.

a2  Disputes with your landlord

We will pay your costs and expenses to obtain damages or another legal remedy for disputes with your landlord where:

- your landlord doesn't maintain or repair your property as required by the written terms of your tenancy agreement
- your landlord alleges that you failed to maintain or repair the property as required by your lease or tenancy agreement
- you defend a demand for dilapidations at the expiry of your lease or tenancy
- your landlord seeks to end your lease or tenancy earlier than stated in your written tenancy agreement or they seek to remove you from the property

and this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you if you have not paid money to your landlord as stated in your written tenancy agreement or your landlord alleges that you haven't paid this money. However, we will pay you if you have withheld payment required by your written tenancy agreement because your landlord has failed to maintain or repair your property.
a3 Disputes with your tenant

We will pay your costs and expenses to obtain damages or another legal remedy for disputes with your tenant where:

- your tenant fails to maintain or repair your property as required by the written tenancy agreement or lease
- your tenant alleges that you failed to maintain or repair property as required by the written tenancy or lease
- you pursue your tenant for disputed dilapidations at the end of your lease or tenancy

and this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will only pay you for dilapidations where you have served a notice of dilapidations upon your tenant and you have obtained at your own expense an independent expert valuation of the dilapidations.

a4 Evictions

We will pay your costs and expenses to obtain damages or another legal remedy where you evict your tenant or employee or former employee following the expiry of their tenancy or licence which you have granted to use the property and this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you if you have not issued an enforceable statutory or contractual notice which requires the tenant, employee, former employee or licensee to leave the property.

b Criminal defence

b1 Interview under caution

We will pay your costs and expenses where you require representation at an interview under caution by the police or another prosecuting authority during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you where you are required by the police to immediately attend an interview under caution at a police station.

b2 Prosecution defence

We will pay your costs and expenses for your defence of a criminal prosecution accusing you of a criminal offence when you receive a summons and report it to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not defend you where the allegations

- are a motoring offence
- involve fraud, dishonesty or criminal damage
- are tax related or an application is made under the proceeds of crime act
- involve abuse or assault if you do not maintain a not guilty plea

We will not defend you if it is alleged that you are responsible for damage or loss caused by seepage, pollution or contamination of any kind

We will only defend you if you are charged under the Corporate Homicide Act 2007. We will not
defend your employee, director or partner.

b3 Motor Offences

We will pay your costs and expenses for your defence of a criminal prosecution first made and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule where the conviction would result in the loss of a driving licence and the driving licence is required by your director or business partner of your business to carry out your business.

We will pay your costs and expenses for your defence of a criminal prosecution for tachograph or weight offences.

We will not pay you where there is an allegation of driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol or the use of handheld electronic equipment.

c Tax protection

c1 Aspect enquiry

We will pay your costs and expenses in representing you before HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) when HM Revenue & Customs issues a formal notice to you, to your director, or to your business partner to carry out an aspect enquiry into a part or parts of your income or corporation tax self-assessment return and this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

c2 Full enquiry

We will pay your costs and expenses in representing you before HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) when HM Revenue & Customs issues a formal notice to you, to your director, or to your business partner to examine all of your financial records income or corporation tax which is first ordered or commissioned, first known to you and reported this to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

c3 National insurance and PAYE disputes

We will pay your costs and expenses in representing you before HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) when HM Revenue & Customs expresses dissatisfaction with your

- p11ds, or
- p9ds, or
- your pay as you earn PAYE, and/or
- national insurance contributions, NIC

following an employer compliance visit by HM Revenue and Customs and this is first known to you.
and reported this to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

c4  Current tax year enquiry

We will pay your costs and expenses in representing you before HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) when HM Revenue & Customs make a written request to inspect your business records, assets or premises under Schedule 36 of the Finance Act 2008. The request must be first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

c5  VAT disputes

We will pay your costs and expenses in representing you before HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) when HM Revenue & Customs allege that you have not paid value added tax (VAT). The allegations must be first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

d  Regulatory compliance

d1  Health and safety executive enforcement notices

We will pay your costs and expenses in undertaking an appeal against an improvement or prohibition notice issued by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) which is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

However, we will not pay you for more than one appeal in any one period of insurance as stated in the schedule of this policy.

We will not pay you for an appeal involving or arising from planning applications, decisions or disputes.

d2  Abatement notice appeals

We will pay your costs and expenses in undertaking an appeal against an abatement notice for a statutory nuisance issued by a local authority which is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you where you have failed to comply with recommendations or warnings from your regulator or a statutory body.

d3  Licence appeals

We will pay your costs and expenses for an appeal against a decision taken by a statutory body to suspend, revoke, alter or not renew an existing statutory licence you need to carry out your business which is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you for appeals arising from or connected to a change in the law or regulations.

We will not pay you for complying with a notice or order.

We will not pay you for appeals involving driving or property licences.

We will not pay you where you have failed to comply with recommendations or warnings from your regulator or a statutory body.

d4  Disciplinary hearings

We will pay your costs and expenses for representing your director or a business partner at a disciplinary hearing held by a professional or regulatory body where a loss of registration or accreditation would stop you carrying out your business. Your director or business partner must first know about the hearing and the claim must be reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay your costs and expenses of representation for healthcare, medical or alternative
therapy registrations or accreditations.

e  Court attendance costs

e1  Jury service

If

- any director or partner of yours, or
- any employee

attends jury service at a court during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will reimburse you the amount of money you pay them per day.

However, we will subtract from any payment due to you the amount you recover, or are permitted to recover, from the court.

e2  Witness attendance allowance

If your representative requests that

- any director or partner of yours, or
- any employee

attends a court as a witness in connection with an accepted claim under this section of cover (legal expenses) we will pay their attendance costs.

We will not pay costs incurred when attending court as an expert witness.

We will not pay any remuneration of any kind which is due to the director, partner or employee.

We will not pay any costs which it is possible to reclaim from a prosecuting authority.

f  Employee extra protection

f1  Pension trustee defence

We will pay your costs and expenses in defending your directors or partners in your business where civil proceedings are brought against them resulting from their conduct as a trustee or administrator of a pension, retirement or superannuation scheme or programme created for the benefit of your director, partner or employee when the claim is first made and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

f2  Wrongful arrest

If

- any director or partner of yours, or
- any employee

is alleged to have detained a natural person against their will during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, we will pay their costs and expenses of defending the allegation.

We will not pay if the allegation is made by an employee or former employee of yours.

f3  Personal injury
We will pay your costs and expenses for your employee, directors and/or partners to pursue a claim for damages for injury suffered by them during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule when carrying out your business if the injury was caused by an actual or alleged act or omission of another party.

We will not pay costs and expenses where the legal case is or may be against you.

We will not pay costs and expenses when the injury takes place on your property.

f4 Discrimination defence

We will pay costs and expenses for your employee, directors and/or partners to defend an allegation of discrimination arising from your employee's conduct in carrying out your business when the claim is first made and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you where the discrimination involves a potential, former or current employee.

g Restrictive covenant cover

We agree to pay your costs and expenses to pursue your employee or ex-employee for their breach of a restrictive covenant which is causing or will cause you financial loss if the breach is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will only pay you when the restrictive covenant is twelve calendar months or shorter.

We will not pay you if the restrictive covenant does not form part of the employee or former employee's written contract of employment with you.

h Negotiation cover

If you notify a claim under subsections of cover a (property and landlord and tenant disputes) or i (contract disputes) of this section of cover and solely due to a lack of reasonable prospects of success

• we do not cover your claim, or
• we withdraw cover
we will pay your costs and expenses in order to reach a settlement of your dispute.

We will not pay your costs and expenses under this section of cover if the incident notified under subsections of cover a (property and landlord and tenant disputes) or i (contract disputes) first started prior to the date that these sections of cover came into force.

i Contract disputes

i1 Contracts for goods and services

We will pay your costs and expenses to defend or pursue a claim for an alleged breach of a contract or agreement between you and your customer or supplier for the provision of the sale, hire or supply of goods and services in connection with your business.

The breach must be first known by you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will not pay you for defending a claim involving a construction contract.

i2 Contracts for construction and repairs
We will pay your costs and expenses in a dispute involving an express written construction contract, or a variation of the construction contract, for work undertaken on your property.

The dispute must be first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will only pay you if the express written construction contract states the following information:

- parties to the contract
- the date works commence
- the work to be undertaken and relevant timescales
- the amount of money to be paid for the work undertaken and date when payment is due

We will not pay you for a dispute involving a construction contract where the total contract value is estimated to cost more than £500,000.

We will not pay you if the works commenced prior to the construction contract, or its variation, was agreed.

We will not pay you for disputes involving construction contracts which started prior to the date that this section of cover came into force. However, if equivalent cover to that provided under this section of cover has been continuously maintained immediately prior to the inception of this section of cover, the inception date of the previous policy will apply.

We will not pay you if you are undertaking the construction works.

We will not pay you if your business is in the construction industry.

j Coroner’s inquest representation

If you were legally responsible for the care of a deceased person subject to an inquest and you are identified as an interested party in the inquest proceedings, we will pay your costs and expenses arising from an inquest or fatal accident inquiry into the death of a third party when this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

k Transport disputes

k1 Transport operators' licence disputes

We will pay your costs and expenses arising from a public inquiry held before the Traffic Commissioner to suspend, revoke, alter or refuse to renew your transport operator licence when this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

If we pay your costs and expenses arising from a public inquiry held before the Traffic Commissioner and we do not withdraw cover we will also pay your costs and expenses at a subsequent appeal against the decision of the Traffic Commissioner at the Upper Tier Tribunal.

We will not pay you where you have not complied with previous decisions made by the Traffic Commissioner.

We will not pay costs and expenses for disqualification for holding or being involved with operator licences.

We will not pay you for a driver conduct hearing about the holding of a vocational drivers licence.

We will not pay you for an alteration or refusal to renew a vehicle operator’s licence which is imposed by an Act of Parliament or national or local government regulation or order.
We will not pay you if you have not complied with a notice or order.

We will not pay you for a variation application.

k2 Civil penalties

We will pay your costs and expenses in appealing a decision to the Tribunal Service against London Lorry Control penalties when this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will pay your costs and expenses in appealing a decision to the Tribunal Service against low emission zone penalties when this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

We will pay your costs and expenses in appealing a decision to the County Court against Immigration and Asylum civil penalties for carrying clandestine entrants when this is first known to you and reported to us during the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule.

What we will pay

The most we will pay for any claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule is:

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover a (property and landlord and tenant disputes). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover a (property and landlord and tenant disputes) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover b (criminal defence). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of section of cover b (criminal defence) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

However, the most we will pay under subsection of cover b1 (interview under caution) is £2,500.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover c (tax protection). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of subsection of cover c (tax protection) if you use our choice of representative. However, the most we will pay under subsection of cover c4 (current tax year enquiry) is £1,000.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover d (regulatory compliance). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.
We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover d (regulatory compliance) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

£1,000 in respect of subsection of cover e (court attendance costs). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover f (employee extra protection). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover f (employee extra protection) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover g (restrictive covenant cover). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover g (restrictive covenant cover) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

£5,000 in respect of subsection of cover h (negotiation cover). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover i (contract disputes). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover i (contract disputes) is

- £2,000 if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses, or
- £500 if you use our choice of representative.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover j (coroner's inquest representation). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover j (coroner's inquest representation) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover k (transport disputes). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover k (transport disputes) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

£100,000 in respect of subsection of cover l (charity commission appeals). This amount is inclusive of and not in addition to the limit.

We will not pay the excess this must be paid by you. The excess applies to your costs and expenses in respect of each claim or series of claims arising from the same original cause. The amount in respect of subsection of cover l (charity commission appeals) if you are able to exercise your freedom to choose your
representative as described under Claims Condition: Legal expenses is £1,000.

The most we will pay in the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule for

- all costs and expenses
- all reimbursement
- all attendance costs

is the limit

What is not covered (exclusions)

1. Fines and penalties

   We will not pay you for any
   - fine or penalty
   - tax, duty, interest or penalty imposed by HM Revenue and Customs

2. Radioactive contaminations and sonic bangs etc.

   We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
   - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
   - the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component
   - pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at supersonic speeds
   - riot, civil commotion, strikers, labour or political disturbances, vandals or malicious persons.

3. War risks and terrorism

   We will not pay you for a loss that is otherwise covered under this policy if the loss is caused by or arises in any way from
   - war and/or terrorism
   - any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing war and/or terrorism
   - any unlawful or malicious act committed maliciously by a person or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any unlawful association regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.
   - contamination due to terrorism

   If we allege that, because of this exclusion, any loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving otherwise will be upon you and/or the officer.

   If any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in
full force and effect.

4 Other insurance

We will not pay you where you have a right to payment under any other insurance.

However, if you have a right to payment under any other insurance we will contribute in excess of the payment provided by that insurance. If the other insurance is also provided by us then the amount that we will pay under this insurance will be reduced by the amount that we pay under the other insurance.

5 Legal action

We will not pay you

- where the claim is brought in a court of law outside England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland, and/or
- where action for damages is brought in a court within England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland, to enforce a foreign judgment.

We will not pay you in respect of any claim that arises outside England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland.

6 Deliberate acts

We will not pay you in respect of any claim that results from your willful, reckless or intentional disregard for your actions and their consequences or your errors, omissions or intentional wrong doing.

7 Circumstances known at inception

If you knew or ought to have known of any circumstances that existed prior to the date that this section of cover started then we will not pay you any costs and expenses that arise from such circumstances.

8 Injury, property damage, professional duty to third parties

We will not cover any claim involving the defence of

- injury to any person
- loss, damage, destruction or loss of use of property
- any breach of any professional duty owed to a third party

9 Financial interest

We will not pay you for any disputes or legal proceedings between

- any parent company, ultimate holding company or subsidiary company, or
- any person or entity having a financial, executive or controlling interest in your operation, or
- any company or entity in which you or any director, member or partner of yours has a financial, executive or controlling interest
- your representative, any party involved in arranging this section of cover, or us

10 Legal aid
We will not cover any dispute or legal proceedings which, in the absence of this section of cover (legal expenses), you would be entitled to payment under a legal aid certificate or representation order.

11 Intellectual property rights

We will not pay you for any disputes or legal proceedings involving or arising out of

- breach of confidentiality (other than under subsection of cover g (restrictive covenant cover))
- passing off
- defamation or malicious falsehood
- the ownership or existence of any kind of intellectual property rights (other than under subsection of cover g (restrictive covenant cover))
- judicial review

12 Costs

We will not pay you any amount which you would have been obliged to pay in the absence of a dispute.

13 Value Added Tax

We will not pay you the value added tax (VAT) proportion of your claim if you are VAT registered.

14 Property and landlord and tenant disputes

Under subsection of cover a (property and landlord and tenant disputes)

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if there is a dispute over a contract which is not a tenancy, licence or leasehold agreement.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if the dispute will not lead you to suffer a financial loss or the value of your property will not fall in value.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if you haven't claimed under your buildings, contents or business interruption insurance policy covering the property if damage or nuisance has affected your property.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if there is a dispute regarding planning, building regulations or decisions or compulsory purchase orders or any actual planned or proposed works by or under the order of any statutory body.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if there is a dispute in connection with the negotiation or renewal of a tenancy or leasehold agreement or purchase or property.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if you have failed to maintain buildings or contents insurance which is suitable for your needs.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue your claim if it is alleged that you are responsible for damage caused by seepage, pollution or contamination of any kind.

15 Tax protection

Under subsection of cover c (tax protection)

We will not cover claims if we believe there is not a reasonable prospect of reducing the liabilities alleged by HM Revenue and Customs.
We will not cover claims when tax returns are late.

We will not cover claims where you have not notified chargeability to tax within the time limits.

We will not cover claims involving tax returns where wholly provisional figures are used.

We will not cover claims where there is an allegation of fraud or an investigation by
- HM Revenue and Custom's Fraud Investigation Service,
- HM Revenue and Custom's Counter Avoidance Office, or
- the defence of a criminal prosecution

We will not cover claims involving a dispute or enquiry relating to the National Minimum Wage or Living Wage.

We will not cover claims involving an allegation of tax avoidance.

16 Contract disputes

Under subsection of cover i (contract disputes)

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim involving an amount of less than £1,000.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim involving an employment wrongful act.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim involving the ownership, occupation or use of any land or building.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim relating to the tenancy or letting of property.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim involving the provision of
- hire purchase
- credit agreements
- insurance
- financial securities of any kind, or
- franchise contracts

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim involving guarantees of any kind.

We will not pay you to defend or pursue a claim involving a contract which has been assigned or novated to you by someone else or which you have entered into via an agent.

We will not pay you to pursue a claim involving an undisputed debt. However, we will pay you where the debt is no fewer than 90 days overdue and you have requested full payment in writing no fewer than three times in the three consecutive calendar months since the debt first became due.

17 Alteration

We will not make any payment under this policy, if after the start of the period of insurance shown in the policy schedule, there is any alteration which results in
• a change in ownership of your business
• your business is involved in a merger or acquires another business
• your business changes

unless we have been notified of and agree to the alteration.

Conditions that apply to this section of cover

1 Prospects of success

We will only provide you with cover if there is a greater than 50% chance of:

• successfully pursuing your case and securing a legal and/or financial remedy
• not being found liable in a civil (rather than criminal) case against you
• being found not guilty in the defence of a criminal prosecution
• securing a significant reduction of your punishment or fine if pleading guilty in a criminal prosecution
• successfully appealing the decision of the relevant authority
• your not being suspended and of your retaining your registration or accreditation

If there is 50% or less chance of the above we will not provide cover.

Words with special meanings (definitions)

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they are highlighted in bold in this section of cover. Plural forms of the words defined in this policy have the same meaning when used in the singular form.

Construction Contract means a contract as defined by Section 104 and 105 of the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996. For the purposes of this section of cover (legal expenses) this is extended to include contracts with residential occupiers including:

• painting or decorating surfaces of a building
• construction
• alteration
• repair
• maintenance of buildings
• installation in a building of heating, lighting or electrical systems.

Costs and expenses means

• the legal or professional costs (including any disbursements such as counsel's or expert's fees) reasonably charged to you by your representative (provided that we have agreed with you in writing that you may incur these costs and expenses)
• the legal costs incurred in civil proceedings by the party you are in dispute with that a court or
tribunal orders you to pay (provided that we have agreed with you in writing that you may incur these costs and expenses), or that you, agree to pay under the terms of a settlement.

but does not include any costs you are responsible for paying under the terms of a contract.

Employee means any person under a contract of service with you in connection with your business.

Employment wrongful act means any actual or alleged act or omission that results in a dispute in connection with the employment of an employee, former employee or prospective employee, committed or allegedly committed by you.

Excess means the first amount of a claim for which you are responsible.

Limit means £1,000,000.

Property means the land (including walls) or buildings owned or occupied by you for which you are legally responsible.

Reasonable prospects of success means at least a 51% chance of:

- successfully pursuing your case and securing a legal and/or financial remedy
- not being found liable in a civil case (i.e. not an enquiry, investigation or a criminal case) against you
- an acquittal in the defence of a criminal prosecution
- securing a significant reduction of your punishment or fine in a criminal prosecution
- successfully appealing the decision of the relevant authority under subsections of cover d2 (regulatory compliance - abatement notice appeals), d3 (regulatory compliance - licence appeals) or k (transport disputes)
- you not being suspended and of you retaining your registration or accreditation under subsection of cover d4 (regulatory compliance - disciplinary hearings)

We will make our decision on whether to cover your claim based on a legal opinion from your representative (and any professional advice we regard necessary) on whether your claim has at least a 51% chance. If there is 50% or less chance of the above we will not provide cover.

Representative means a

- solicitor
- barrister
- accountant, or
- other appropriately qualified person

appointed to act for you and who agrees to comply with the terms of this policy, but does not include a natural person who is employed by you.

We/ Our/ Us means Markel International Insurance Company Limited trading as Markel Legal Expenses Insurance, 20 Fenchurch Street, London EC3M 3AZ. Claims will be handled by Markel Protection Limited which is a separate legal entity to Markel International Insurance Company Limited.

You/ Your/ Yours means

- the person or persons, and/or
the firm

the limited liability partnership, and/or

the trust, and/or

the company

called as the policyholder in the policy schedule.

In addition, if you request us to, we will pay under subsections of cover b (criminal defence) or f (employee extra protection) or d3 (licence appeals) your employee, or a director or a partner of your business.

However, under subsection of cover b (criminal defence) we will only pay your employee or a director or a partner of your business if the same representative acts for all parties.