



**Paragon**

# **EMBANKMENT INSURANCE POLICY**



## Introduction

Paragon Car Ltd is committed to treating customers fairly and providing a first class customer service. Subsequently, we therefore expect the same high standards from all **brokers or insurance advisors** who use **our** facilities and follow **strict guidelines to ensure compliance matters, complaints trends, persistency rates and customer comments are recorded to guide future business decisions in order to improve our long term business relationships with our agency base and the Insurers whose products we market on behalf.**

This is **your** Certificate of Home Insurance. This Certificate, **your schedule** of insurance and any **endorsement** applying to **your** Certificate make up **your** insurance documents.

Please read **your** insurance documents carefully and keep them in a safe place. It is important that:

**You** are clear which sections **you** have requested and want to be included;

**You** are clear what each section covers and **does** not cover;

**You** understand **your** own duties under each section and under the insurance as a whole.

If **your** insurance documents are incorrect or if **you** have any questions or concerns about **your** insurance or the handling of a claim **you** should, in the first instance contact **your broker or insurance advisor**.

Unless **we** have agreed otherwise with **you**, this insurance is governed by English Law and the language used will be English.

Please note that all words in **red** type are showing **you** what is NOT covered.

This certificate is a legally-binding contract of insurance between **you** and **us**. This contract does not give or intend to give, ~~rights to anyone else~~. **No one else has the right to enforce any part of this contract. We may cancel or change any part of this contract without getting anyone else's permission.**

When drawing up this contract, **we** have relied on the information and statements which **you** have provided in the proposal form (or declaration) on the date shown in **the schedule**.

**The insurance relates ONLY to those sections of the certificate which are shown in the schedule as being included.**



Paul Barnard  
For and on behalf of Paragon Car Ltd

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UK General Insurance Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

Ageas Insurance Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority

This can be checked on the Financial Services Register by visiting the FCA's website at [www.fca.org.uk](http://www.fca.org.uk)

### **Cooling Off Period**

If **you** decide that for any reason, this **policy** does not meet **your** insurance needs then please return it to **your broker** or **insurance advisor** within 14 days of issue. On the condition that no claims have been made or are pending, **we** will then refund **your** premium in full.

If **you** wish to cancel **your policy** after 14 days **you** will be entitled to a pro-rata return of premium provided no claims have been made or are pending.

### **Cancellation**

The Insurer shall not be bound to accept renewal of any Insurance and may at any time cancel any insurance document by sending 14 days notice to **you** at **your** last known address. Provided the premium has been paid in full **you** shall be entitled to a proportionate rebate of premium in respect of the unexpired period showing on the insurance, subject to no claim being made on the policy

### **Applicable to All Policies**

Paragon Car Ltd will charge a policy administration fee in respect of New Business, Adjustments, Renewals and all Cancellations, for further details refer to the Key Facts Document.

### **Governing Law**

Unless some other law is agreed in writing, this policy is governed by English law. If there is a dispute, it will only be dealt with in the courts of England or of the country within the **United Kingdom** in which **your** main residence is situated.

### **Complaints Procedure**

It is the intention to give **you** the best possible service but if **you** do have any questions or concerns about this insurance or the handling of a claim **you** should follow the Complaints procedure below. Please ensure **your** policy number is quoted in all correspondence to assist a quick and efficient response.

If **you** are unable to resolve the matter with **your broker** or **insurance advisor** and wish to make a complaint **you** may do so at any time by referring the matter to the Managing Director, Paragon Car Ltd, London House, Thames Road, Crayford, Kent, DA1 4SL or by email to [Complaints@paragon-uk.net](mailto:Complaints@paragon-uk.net).

If **your** complaint about the sale of **your** policy cannot be resolved by the end of the next working day, Paragon Car Ltd will pass it to:

The Customer Relations Department, UK General Insurance Ltd, Cast House, Old Mill Business Park, Gibraltar Island Road, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS10 1RJ

Tel: 0845 218 2685

Email: [customerrelations@ukgeneral.co.uk](mailto:customerrelations@ukgeneral.co.uk)

For section 9 of your policy:

The Nominated Complaints Handler, Qdos Broker & Underwriting Services Limited, Qdos Court, Rossendale Road, Earl Shilton, Leicestershire, LE9 7LY.

Tel: 01455 850000

Fax: 01455 841000

Email: [compliance@qdosconsulting.com](mailto:compliance@qdosconsulting.com)

If it is not possible to reach an agreement, **you** have the right to make an appeal to the Financial Ombudsman Service. This also applies if **you** are insured in a business capacity and have an annual turnover of less than €2million and fewer than ten staff. **You** may contact the Financial Ombudsman Service at: South Quay Plaza, 183, Marsh Wall Docklands London E14 9SR

Telephone 0845 080 1800

Email: [enquiries@financial-ombudsman.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@financial-ombudsman.org.uk)

The above complaints procedure is in addition to **your** statutory rights as a consumer. For further information about **your** statutory rights contact **your** local authority Trading Standards Service or Citizens Advice Bureau.

## Definitions

Wherever the following words appear in this insurance certificate they will have the meanings shown below.

<b>You / your / insured</b>	The person or persons named in the <b>schedule</b> and all members of <b>your family</b> who permanently live in the <b>home</b> .
<b>We / us / our</b>	UK General Insurance Ltd on behalf of Ageas Insurance Limited.
<b>Your broker / insurance advisor</b>	The person or persons who place this insurance on <b>your</b> behalf.
<b>Schedule</b>	The <b>schedule</b> is part of this insurance and contains details of <b>you</b> , the <b>premises</b> , the sums insured, the <b>period of insurance</b> and the sections of this insurance which apply.
<b>Endorsement</b>	A change in the terms and conditions of this insurance.
<b>Period of insurance</b>	The length of time for which this insurance is in force, as shown in the <b>schedule</b> and for which <b>you</b> have paid and <b>we</b> have accepted a premium.
<b>Standard construction</b>	Built of brick, stone or concrete and roofed with slates, tiles, asphalt, metal or concrete.
<b>Buildings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>home</b> and its decorations</li> <li>• fixtures and fittings attached to the <b>home</b></li> <li>• permanently installed swimming pools, ornamental ponds or fountains, hard tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates fences, hedges and fixed fuel tanks</li> </ul> <p><b>you</b> own or for which <b>you</b> are legally responsible within the <b>premises</b> named in the <b>schedule</b>.</p>
<b>Consequential Loss</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>We</b> will only pay costs which are incurred as a direct consequence of the event which led to the claim <b>you</b> are making under this policy</li> </ul>
<b>Premises</b>	The address which is named in the <b>schedule</b> .
<b>Home</b>	The private dwelling of <b>standard construction</b> and the garages and outbuildings used for domestic purposes at the <b>premises</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b> .
<b>Contents</b>	<p>Household goods and personal property, within the <b>home</b>, which are <b>your</b> property or which <b>you</b> are legally responsible for.</p> <p><b>Contents</b> includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• tenant's fixtures and fittings</li> <li>• radio and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts which are attached to the <b>home</b></li> <li>• property in the open but within the <b>premises</b> up to £1,000 in total (other than radio and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts which are attached to the <b>home</b>)</li> <li>• <b>office equipment</b> up to £10,000 in total</li> <li>• <b>money</b> up to £500 in total, and <b>credit cards</b> up to £2,500 in total</li> <li>• deeds and registered bonds and other personal documents up to £1,500 in total</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>valuables</b> up to 40% of the sum insured for <b>Contents</b> within the private dwelling subject to a £2,500 limit for any one item unless stated otherwise in the <b>schedule</b> or the specification(s) attached to the <b>schedule</b></li> <li>• domestic oil in fixed fuel oil tanks up to £1,000</li> <li>• <b>Contents</b> does NOT include: motorised vehicles (other than garden machinery) caravans, trailers or watercraft or their accessories</li> <li>• any living creature</li> <li>• any part of the <b>buildings</b></li> <li>• any property held or used for business purposes other than <b>office equipment</b></li> <li>• any property insured under any other insurance.</li> </ul>
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<b>Bodily injury</b>	<b>Bodily injury</b> includes death or disease.
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<b>Sanitary ware</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Washbasins, sinks, bidets, lavatory pans and cisterns, shower trays, shower screens, baths and bath panels.</li> </ul>
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<b>Valuables</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• jewellery and watches</li> <li>• furs</li> <li>• gold, silver, gold and silver plated articles and other precious metals</li> <li>• pictures, paintings and other works of art</li> <li>○ collections of stamps or coins.</li> </ul>
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<b>Personal possessions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clothing, baggage, sports equipment, guns and items specifically designed to be carried or worn about the person and all of which belong to <b>you</b> or <b>you</b> are legally responsible for.</li> </ul> <p><b>Personal possessions</b> does NOT include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>money</b> and <b>credit cards</b></li> <li>• any property which is more specifically insured by any other insurance</li> <li>• pedal cycles</li> <li>• computer equipment and mobile telephones.</li> </ul>
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<b>Office equipment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computers, printers, scanners and their accessories, office furniture, photocopiers, fax machines and phone equipment in <b>your home</b>, other than equipment belonging to <b>your</b> employer.</li> </ul>
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<b>Value</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The amount of <b>money you</b> would have received if <b>you</b> sold the article or property undamaged.</li> </ul>
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<b>Occupant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A person or persons authorised by <b>you</b> to stay in the <b>home</b> overnight.</li> </ul>
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<b>Credit cards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Credit cards</b>, charge cards, debit cards, bankers cards and cash dispenser cards which belong to <b>you</b>, which <b>you</b> are responsible for and are held for private or domestic purposes only.</li> </ul>
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<b>Money</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• current legal tender, cheques, postal and money orders</li> <li>• postage stamps not forming part of a stamp collection</li> <li>• savings stamps and savings certificates, travellers' cheques</li> <li>• premium bonds, and gift tokens</li> <li>• travel tickets and phone cards</li> </ul> <p>all held for private, charitable or domestic purposes.</p>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The '<b>United Kingdom</b>' will include England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands, and journeys between these countries.</li> </ul>
<b>Europe</b>	<p>includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all European countries;</li> <li>• all Mediterranean Islands;</li> <li>• all countries with a Mediterranean shoreline;</li> <li>• the Canary Islands;</li> <li>• Madeira; and journeys between these countries.</li> </ul>
<b>Geographical Limits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>United Kingdom, Europe</b> and anywhere else in the world for up to 60 days in any one <b>period of insurance</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>Family</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>You, your</b> spouse (meaning a legal husband/wife or civil partnership relationship), any common law partner (cohabiting at the same address for a continuous period of at least 6 months), dependent children and other relatives who permanently live with <b>you</b>.</li> </ul>

#### Data Protection Act 1998

Please note that any information provided to **us** will be processed by **us** and **our** agents in compliance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998, for the purpose of providing insurance and handling claims, if any, which may necessitate providing such information to third parties. **We** may also send the information in confidence for process to other companies acting on their instructions including those located outside the European Economic Area.

#### Claims & Underwriting Exchange Register (CUE)

**We** may use **your** personal information to prevent crime. In order to prevent crime **we** may: share it with operators of registers available to the insurance industry to check information and prevent fraud. These include but are not limited to the Claims and Underwriting Exchange Register. **We** may pass **your** personal information to the operators of these registers, including but not limited to information relating to **your** insurance policy and any incident (such as an accident, theft or loss) to the operators of these registers.

## General Conditions applicable to the whole of this insurance

Each **home** included under this insurance is considered to be covered as if separately insured.

### Your duties

- a) **You** must take steps to prevent loss, damage or an accident and keep the **buildings** in a good state of repair.
- b) **You** must tell **your broker** or **insurance advisor** immediately if **you**
- stop using the **home** as **your** permanent private residence;
  - regularly leave the **home** unattended by day or by night; or
  - leave the **home** without an **occupant** for more than 30 consecutive days.

When **we** receive this notice **we** have the option to change the terms and conditions of this insurance.

c) **You** must tell **your broker** or **insurance advisor** before **you** start any conversions, extensions or other structural work to the **buildings**. When **we** receive this notice **we** have the option to change the terms and conditions of this insurance.

d) If the **buildings** as specified in the **schedule** will be left unattended for 14 days or more during period 1<sup>st</sup> November to 31<sup>st</sup> March, **you** must immediately ensure that the gas and water system is turned off and drained at the mains, or any heating system in place must be set to maintain a continuous minimum temperature of 14 degrees Celsius.

e) **You** are required by the provisions of the Consumer Insurance (Disclosure and Representations) Act to take care to supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions in the declaration and to make sure that all information supplied is true and correct. **You** must tell **us** of any changes to the answers **you** have given as soon as possible. Failure to advise **us** of a change to **your** answers may mean that **your** policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim.

## **General Exclusions applicable to the whole of this insurance**

### **a) Radioactive Contamination and Nuclear Assemblies Exclusion**

**We will not pay for:**

1. Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising there from;
2. Any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:-
  - i) Ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel,
  - ii) The radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.

### **b) War Exclusion**

**We will not pay for any loss or damage or liability directly or indirectly occasioned by, happening through or in consequence of war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, or confiscation or nationalisation or requisition or destruction of or damage to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority.**

### **c) Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 Clarification Clause**

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

### **d) Existing and Deliberate Damage**

**We will not pay for loss or damage**

- occurring before cover starts or arising from an event before cover starts
- caused deliberately by **you** or any member of **your** home.

### **e) Loss of Value Clause**

This insurance does not cover **you** for direct or indirect loss or damage to any property, or any legal liability, caused by or contributed to, or arising from the loss of **value** following a claim payment.

### **f) Electronic Data Exclusion Clause**

**We will not pay for**

1. Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom;
2. Any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:
  - Computer viruses, erasure or corruption of electronic data;
  - The failure of any equipment to correctly recognise the date or change of date.

For the purposes of this exclusion "computer virus" means a corrupting, harmful or unauthorised instruction or code from an unauthorised source that propagates itself via or through a computer system or network.

### **g) Biological and Chemical Contamination Clause**

**We will not pay for:**

1. Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom;
2. Any legal liability of whatsoever nature;
3. Death or injury to any person;

directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from Biological or Chemical contamination due to or arising from;



- Terrorism; and/or
- Steps taken to prevent, suppress, control or reduce the consequences of any actual, attempted, threatened, suspected or perceived terrorism.

For the purposes of this exclusion "terrorism" means any act(s) of any person(s) or organisation(s) involving:

- a) The causing, occasioning or threatening of harm of whatever nature and by whatever means;
- b) Putting the public or any section of the public in fear,

in circumstances in which it is to conclude that the purpose(s) of the person(s) or organisation(s) concerned are wholly or partly of a political, religious, ideological or similar nature.

#### **h) Confiscation/Holding Clause**

This insurance does not cover **you** for Customs or other government or local authority officials legally taking and holding or keeping **your** property.

#### **i) Aircraft Pressure Waves**

This insurance does not cover loss, destruction or damage directly occasioned by pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

#### **j) Wear and Tear**

**We** will not pay for damage caused by wear and tear or any other gradually operating cause.

#### **k) Indirect Loss or Damage**

**We** will not pay for any losses that are not directly associated with the incident that caused **you** to claim, unless expressly stated in this insurance.

#### **l) Asbestos**

**We** will not pay for any loss damage or liability caused by or arising out of the removal or, disposal of asbestos or materials containing asbestos.

## How we deal with your claim

### Defence of claims

**We** may:

- take full responsibility for conducting, defending or settling any claim in **your** name;
- take any action **we** consider necessary to enforce **your** rights or **our** rights under this insurance.

### Other insurance

**We** will not pay any claim if any loss, damage or liability covered under this insurance is also covered wholly or in part under any other insurance except in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would have been covered under such other insurance had this insurance not been effected.

This clause does not apply to fatal injury (Section two-J).

### Fraudulent claims

If **you**, or anyone acting on **your** behalf, make a claim knowing it to be false or fraudulent in amount or in any other respect, this insurance shall be invalid and all claims shall be forfeited.

### Claims Conditions applicable to the whole of this insurance

#### Your duties

In the event of a claim or possible claim under this insurance

- **You** must notify: Direct Group Property Services (Nexus)  
Telephone No: 0844 412 4258  
Fax Number: 0844 412 4293  
Email address: propertynexus@directgroup.co.uk
- **You** must provide the Claims Centre with written details of what has happened within 30 days and provide any other information **we** may require.
- **You** must forward to the Claims Centre within 3 days, any letter, claim, writ, summons or other legal document **you** receive if a liability claim is made against **you**.
- **You** must inform the Police as soon as possible following malicious acts, violent disorder, riots or civil commotion, theft, attempted theft or lost property.
- **You** must not admit liability or offer or agree to settle any claim without **our** prior written permission.
- **You** must take care to limit any loss, damage or injury.
- **You** must provide **us** with evidence of **value** or age (or both) for all items involved in a claim.

If **you** fail to comply with any of the above duties this insurance may become invalid. UK General Insurance Ltd are an insurers agent and in the matters of a claim act on behalf of the insurer.

### Compensation

Ageas Insurance Limited is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, if they cannot meet their obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Most insurance contracts are covered for 90% of the claim. **You** can get more information about compensation scheme arrangements from the FSCS or visit [www.fscs.org.uk](http://www.fscs.org.uk).

**Section one  
Buildings**

What is covered	What is not covered
This insurance covers the <b>buildings</b> for physical loss or damage directly caused by	<b>We will not pay</b> The excess(es) shown on your <b>schedule</b> (no excess applies to extensions D and H)
1a) fire, lightning, explosion or earthquake	
1b) smoke damage	for loss or damage by any gradually operating cause
2) aircraft and other flying devices or items dropped from them	
3) storm, flood or hail, weight of snow	a) for loss or damage caused by subsidence, heave or landslip other than as covered under number 9 of Section one  b) for loss or damage to drives, patios and terraces, gates, fences and hedges
4) escape of water from and frost damage to fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes	a) for loss or damage caused by subsidence, heave or landslip other than as covered under number 9 of Section one  b) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel oil tanks and swimming pools  c) for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in  d) for loss or damage caused by gradual emission
5) escape of oil from a fixed domestic oil-fired heating installation caused by a fault in any fixed domestic heating installation	a) for loss or damage caused by faulty workmanship  b) for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in  c) for loss or damage caused by gradual emission
6) theft or attempted theft	a) for loss or damage while the <b>home</b> is not furnished enough to be normally lived in  b) for loss or damage while the <b>home</b> is lent, let or sub-let unless the loss or damage follows a violent and forcible entry
7) collision by any vehicle or animal	
8) any person taking part in a riot, violent disorder, strike, labour disturbance, civil commotion or acting maliciously	for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in

**Section one  
Buildings (continued)**

What is covered	What is not covered
This insurance covers the <b>buildings</b> for physical loss or damage directly caused by	<b>We will not pay</b>
9) subsidence or heave of the site upon which the <b>buildings</b> stand or landslip or landslide	<p>a) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel-oil tanks, swimming pools, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates and fences unless the private dwelling is also affected at the same time by the same event</p> <p>b) for loss or damage to solid floors unless the walls of the private dwelling are damaged at the same time by the same event</p> <p>c) for loss or damage arising from faulty workmanship or defective materials</p> <p>d) for loss or damage which compensation has been provided for or would have been but for the existence of this insurance under any contract or a guarantee or by law</p> <p>e) for loss or damage caused by river erosion and or coastal erosion</p> <p>f) for loss or damage whilst the <b>buildings</b> are undergoing any structural repairs, alterations or extensions</p>
10) breakage or collapse of fixed radio and television aerials, fixed satellite dishes and their fittings and masts	for loss or damage to fixed radio and television aerials, fixed satellite dishes and their fittings and masts
11) falling trees, telegraph poles or lamp-posts	<p>a) for loss or damage caused by trees being cut down or cut back within the <b>premises</b></p> <p>b) for loss or damage to gates and fences</p>

**Section one  
Buildings (continued)**

What is covered	What is not covered
This section of the insurance also covers	<b>We will not pay</b>
<p>A) the cost of repairing accidental damage to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• fixed glass and double glazing (including the cost of replacing frames)</li> <li>• solar panels</li> <li>• <b>sanitary ware</b></li> <li>• ceramic hobs</li> </ul> <p>all forming part of the <b>buildings</b></p>	for damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in
<p>B) the cost of repairing accidental damage to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• domestic oil pipes</li> <li>• underground water-supply pipes</li> <li>• underground sewers, drains and septic tanks</li> <li>• underground gas pipes</li> <li>• underground cables</li> </ul> <p>which <b>you</b> are legally responsible for</p>	
<p>C) increased domestic metered water charges <b>you</b> have to pay following an escape of water which gives rise to an admitted claim under number 4 of Section one</p>	<p>a) more than <b>£1,500</b> in any <b>period of insurance</b>.</p> <p>b) If <b>you</b> claim for such loss under Sections one and two, <b>we</b> will not pay more than <b>£1,500</b> in total</p>
<p>D) expenses <b>you</b> have to pay and which <b>we</b> have agreed in writing for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• architects', surveyors', consulting engineers' and legal fees</li> <li>• the cost of removing debris and making safe the <b>buildings</b></li> <li>• costs <b>you</b> have to pay in order to comply with any Government or local authority requirements</li> </ul> <p>following loss or damage to the <b>buildings</b> which is covered under Section one</p>	<p>a) any expenses for preparing a claim or an estimate of loss or damage</p> <p>b) any costs if Government or local authority requirements have been served on <b>you</b> before the loss or damage</p>

**Section one  
Buildings (continued)**

What is covered	What is not covered
<p>E)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• loss of rent due to <b>you</b> which <b>you</b> are unable to recover</li> <li>• additional costs of alternative accommodation, substantially the same as <b>your</b> existing accommodation, which <b>you</b> have to pay for</li> </ul> <p>while the <b>buildings</b> cannot be lived in following loss or damage which is covered under Section one</p>	<p>a) any amount over 20% of the sum insured for the <b>buildings</b> damaged or destroyed up to a maximum of 12 months</p> <p>b) for loss where a valid claim has not been accepted by insurers under Section one, perils 1-10</p>
<p>F) anyone buying the <b>buildings</b> who will have the benefit of Section one until the sale is completed or the insurance ends, whichever is sooner</p>	<p>if the <b>buildings</b> are insured under any other insurance</p>
<p>G) the cost of tracing the source of any escape of water or oil from fixed water tanks or pipes or domestic oil-fired heating installation which <b>you</b> are legally responsible for</p>	<p>more than £1,000 in any <b>period of insurance</b>. If <b>you</b> claim for such loss under Sections one and two, <b>we</b> will not pay more than £1,000 in total</p>
<p>H) damage to the <b>home</b> caused by forced access to attend a medical emergency or an event which could result in damage to the <b>home</b></p>	<p>any amount over £750</p>
<p>I) repairs following loss or damage to <b>your</b> garden caused by fire, lightning, explosion, theft or attempted theft, impact by aircraft or vehicles, any person taking part in a riot, civil commotion or acting maliciously</p>	<p>a) any amount over 5% of the sum insured for <b>buildings</b></p> <p>b) more than £500 for any one tree, plant or shrub</p> <p>c) any fees incurred in the preparation of <b>your</b> claim, and costs relating to undamaged parts of the garden</p> <p>d) for any damage to fences, gates, paddocks or woods</p>

## Accidental damage to buildings

The following applies only if the **schedule** shows that Accidental Damage to **buildings** is included

What is covered	What is not covered
This extension covers	<b>We will not pay</b>
J) Accidental damage to the <b>buildings</b>	<p>a) for damage or any proportion of damage which <b>we</b> specifically exclude elsewhere under Section one</p> <p>b) for the <b>buildings</b> moving, settling, shrinking, collapsing or cracking</p> <p>c) for damage while the <b>home</b> is being altered, repaired, cleaned, maintained or extended</p> <p>d) for damage to outbuildings and garages which are not of <b>standard construction</b></p> <p>e) for damage while the <b>home</b> is lent, let or sub-let</p> <p>f) for the cost of general maintenance</p> <p>g) for damage caused by infestation, vermin, corrosion, damp, wet or dry rot, mould or frost, fungi</p> <p>h) for damage arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials</p> <p>i) for damage to any part of a machine or system arising out of its own mechanical or electrical fault, breakdown, burn out or failure</p> <p>j) for damage caused by extremes of temperature or exposure to light</p> <p>k) for damage to swimming pools, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates and fences and fuel tanks</p> <p>l) for any damage caused by or contributed to by or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination unless it is sudden or unforeseen</p>

## Conditions that apply to Section one (buildings) only

### Settling claims

How **we** deal with **your** claim

1. If **your** claim for loss or damage is covered under Section one, **we** will pay the full cost of repair as long as:
  - the **buildings** were in a good state of repair immediately prior to the loss or damage and
  - the sum insured is enough to pay for full cost of rebuilding the **buildings** in their present form and
  - the damage has been repaired or loss has been reinstated.

If the **buildings** were not in a good state of repair **we** will deduct an amount from **your** claim.

2. **We** will not pay the cost of replacing or repairing any undamaged parts of the **buildings** which form part of a pair, set, suite or part of a common design or function when the loss or damage is restricted to a clearly identifiable area or to a specific part.

**Your** sum insured

3. **We** will not reduce the sum insured under section one after **we** have paid a claim as long as **you** agree to carry out **our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.
4. If **you** are under insured, which means the cost of rebuilding the **buildings** at the time of loss or damage is more than **your** sum insured for the **buildings**, then **we** will only pay a proportion of the claim. For example if **your** sum insured only covers one half of the cost of rebuilding the **buildings**, **we** will only pay one half of the cost of repair or replacement.

### Limit of insurance

**We** will not pay more than the sum insured for each **premises** shown in the **schedule**.



**Section two**  
**Contents**

What is covered	What is not covered
This insurance covers the <b>contents</b> for physical loss or damage directly caused by	<b>We will not pay</b> The excess(es) shown on your <b>schedule</b> (no excess applies to extension J)
1a) fire, lightning, explosion or earthquake	
1b) smoke damage	for loss or damage by any gradually operating cause
2) aircraft and other flying devices or items dropped from them	
3) storm, flood hail, or weight of snow	property out in the open
4) escape of water from fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes	a) for loss or damage caused by subsidence, heave or landslip other than as covered under number 9 of Section two  b) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel oil tanks and swimming pools  c) for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in  d) for loss or damage caused by gradual emission
5) escape of oil from a domestic fixed oil-fired heating installation caused by a fault in any fixed domestic heating installation	a) for loss or damage caused by faulty workmanship  b) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel oil tanks and swimming pools  c) for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in
6) theft or attempted theft	a) for loss or damage whilst the <b>home</b> is lent, let or sub-let unless the loss or damage is caused by a violent and forcible entry  b) any amount over £1,500 within detached domestic outbuildings and garages
7) collision by any vehicle or animal	
8) any person taking part in a riot, violent disorder, strike, labour disturbance, civil commotion or acting maliciously	
9) subsidence or heave of the site upon which the <b>buildings</b> stand or landslip or landslide	a) for loss or damage following damage to solid floors unless the walls of the <b>home</b> are damaged at the same time by the same event  b) loss or damage arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials  c) for loss or damage which but for the existence of this insurance would be covered under any contract or a guarantee or by law  d) for loss or damage whilst the <b>buildings</b> are undergoing any structural repairs, alterations or extensions  e) for loss or damage by river erosion and or coastal erosion
10) falling trees, telegraph poles or lamp-posts	for loss or damage caused by trees being cut down or cut back within the <b>premises</b>

**Section two  
Contents (Continued)**

What is covered	What is not covered
This Section of the insurance also covers	<b>We will not pay</b>
<p>A) accidental damage to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• televisions</li> <li>• satellite decoders</li> <li>• audio and video equipment</li> <li>• radios</li> <li>• home computers</li> <li>• video cassette recorders</li> <li>• games consoles</li> </ul> <p>all situated within the <b>home</b></p>	<p>a) for damage or deterioration caused in the process of cleaning, repair, renovation, or dismantling</p> <p>b) for damage to tapes, records, cassettes, discs or computer software</p> <p>c) for mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown</p>
<p>B) accidental breakage of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• fixed glass and double glazing</li> <li>• <b>sanitary ware</b></li> </ul> <p>forming part of <b>the buildings</b> which <b>you</b> are legally responsible for as a tenant and do not have other insurance for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• mirrors</li> <li>• glass tops and fixed glass in furniture</li> <li>• ceramic hobs</li> </ul>	<p>for the cost of repairing, removing or replacing frames</p>
<p>C) the <b>contents</b>, if these are not already insured, whilst they are temporarily out of the <b>home</b> against loss or damage directly caused by:</p> <p>(i) any of the events insured under numbers 1-10 in Section two while the <b>contents</b> are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• in any occupied private dwelling</li> <li>• in any <b>buildings</b> where <b>you</b> are living or working</li> <li>• in any building for valuation, cleaning or repair</li> <li>• in any furniture store</li> <li>• in any bank or safe deposit</li> </ul> <p>(ii) fire, lightning, explosion, earthquake, theft or attempted theft while the <b>contents</b> are being moved to <b>your</b> new <b>home</b> or to or from any bank, safe deposit or furniture store</p>	<p>a) for <b>contents</b> outside the <b>United Kingdom</b></p> <p>b) for <b>money</b> or <b>credit cards</b></p> <p>c) any amount over 20% of the sum insured under Section two for <b>contents</b> in a furniture store</p>
<p>D) up to twelve months rent <b>you</b> have to pay as occupier if the <b>home</b> cannot be lived in following loss or damage which is covered under Section two</p>	<p>a) any amount over 20% of the sum insured under Section two for the <b>contents</b> damaged or destroyed</p> <p>b) for loss where a valid claim has not been accepted by insurers under Section two, perils 1-10</p>

## Section two

### Contents (continued)

What is covered	What is not covered
<p>E) costs of using other accommodation, substantially the same as <b>your</b> existing accommodation, which <b>you</b> have to pay for if the home cannot be lived in following loss or damage which is covered under Section two</p>	<p>a) any amount over 20% of the sum insured under Section two for the <b>contents</b> damaged or destroyed</p> <p>b) for loss where a valid claim has not been accepted by insurers under Section two, perils 1-10</p>
<p>F) <b>your</b> legal responsibility as a tenant for loss or damage to the <b>buildings</b> caused by loss or damage which is covered under Section two</p>	<p>a) any amount over 20% of the sum insured under Section two for the <b>contents</b> of the <b>buildings</b> damaged or destroyed</p> <p>b) for loss or damage caused by fire, lightning or explosion to the <b>buildings</b> other than to the landlord's fixtures or fittings</p> <p>c) for loss or damage arising from subsidence, heave or landslip</p> <p>d) for loss or damage caused by any person taking part in a riot, violent disorder, strike, labour disturbance, civil commotion or acting maliciously</p> <p>e) for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are not furnished enough to be normally lived in</p>
<p>G) increased domestic metered water charges <b>you</b> have to pay following an escape of water which gives rise to an admitted claim under number 4 of Section two</p>	<p>more than £1,500 in any <b>period of insurance</b>. If <b>you</b> claim for such loss under Sections one and two, <b>we</b> will not pay more than £1,500 in total</p>
<p>H) costs <b>you</b> have to pay for replacing locks to safes, alarms and outside doors in the <b>home</b> following theft or loss of <b>your</b> keys</p>	<p>any amount over £750 in total</p>
<p>I) the cost of repairing accidental damage to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• domestic oil pipes</li> <li>• underground water-supply pipes</li> <li>• underground sewers, drains and septic tanks</li> <li>• underground gas pipes</li> <li>• underground cables</li> </ul> <p>which <b>you</b> are legally responsible for as tenant only</p>	
<p>J) fatal injury to <b>you</b>, happening at the <b>premises</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>, caused by outward and visible violence by burglars or by fire, provided that death ensues within twelve months of such injury, for the following amounts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £10,000 for each insured person over sixteen years of age,</li> <li>• £5,000 for each insured person under sixteen years of age,</li> </ul> <p>at the time of death</p>	
<p>K) wedding and other gifts for one month before and one month after a wedding, birthday, religious or other celebration.</p>	<p>any amount over 10% of the sum insured under the <b>contents</b> section</p>

**Section two**  
**Accidental damage to Contents**

The following applies only if the **schedule** shows that Accidental Damage to **contents** is included.

What is covered	What is not covered
This extension covers	<b>We will not pay</b>
<p>L) Accidental damage to the <b>contents</b> within the <b>home</b></p>	<p>a) for damage or any proportion of damage which <b>we</b> specifically exclude elsewhere under Section two</p> <p>b) for damage to <b>contents</b> within garages and outbuildings</p> <p>c) for damage or deterioration of any article caused by dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation or whilst being worked upon</p> <p>d) for damage caused by chewing, tearing, scratching or fouling by <b>your</b> animals</p> <p>e) any amount over £1,000 in total for porcelain, china, glass and other brittle articles</p> <p>f) for <b>money, credit cards</b>, documents or stamps</p> <p>g) for damage to contact, corneal or micro corneal lenses</p> <p>h) for damage while the <b>home</b> is lent, let or sub let</p> <p>i) for damage caused by insects, vermin, infestation, corrosion, damp, wet or dry rot, mould or frost, fungi</p> <p>j) for damage arising out of faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials</p> <p>k) for damage to any part of a machine or system arising out of its own mechanical or electrical fault, breakdown, burn out or failure</p> <p>l) for damage caused by extremes of temperature and exposure to light</p> <p>m) for any loss or damage caused by or contributed to by or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination</p>

Conditions that apply to Section two (**contents**) only

### **Settling claims**

How **we** deal with **your** claim

1. If **you** claim for loss or damage to the **contents we** will at **our** option repair, replace or pay for any article covered under section two. For total loss or destruction of any article **we** will pay **you** the cost of replacing the article as new, as long as:

- the new article is as close as possible to but not an improvement on the original article when it was new; and
- **you** have paid or **we** have authorised the cost of replacement.

The above basis of settlement will not apply to:

- clothes
- pedal cycles

where **we** will take off an amount for depreciation.

2. **We** will not pay the cost of replacing or repairing any undamaged parts of the **contents** which form part of a pair, set or suite or part of a common design or function when the loss or damage is restricted to a clearly identifiable area or to a specific part.

### **Your sum insured**

3. **We** will not reduce the sum insured under section two after **we** have paid a claim as long as **you** agree to carry out **our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.

4. If **you** are under insured, which means the cost of replacing or repairing the **contents** at the time of the loss or damage is more than **your** sum insured for the **contents**, then **we** will only pay a proportion of the claim. For example if **your** sum insured only covers one half of the cost of replacing or repairing the **contents**, **we** will only pay one half of the cost of repair or replacement.

### **Limit of insurance**

**We** will not pay any more than the sum insured for the **contents** of each **premises** shown in the **schedule**.

**Section three  
Accidents to Domestic Staff**

This section applies only if the **contents** are insured under Section two.

What is covered	What is not covered
<b>We will indemnify you</b>	<b>We will not indemnify you</b>
for amounts <b>you</b> become legally liable to pay, including costs and expenses which <b>we</b> have agreed in writing, for <b>bodily injury</b> by accident happening during the <b>period of insurance</b> anywhere in the world to <b>your</b> domestic staff employed in connection with the <b>premises</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>	<p>for <b>bodily injury</b> arising directly or indirectly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• from any vehicle outside the <b>premises</b></li> <li>• from any vehicle used for racing, pacemaking or speed testing</li> <li>• in Canada or the United States of America after the total period of stay has exceeded 30 days in the <b>period of insurance</b></li> </ul>

**Limit of insurance**

**We** will not pay more than **£5,000,000** for any one accident or series of accidents arising out of any one event, plus the costs and expenses which **we** have agree in writing.

**Section four  
Legal Liability to the Public**

**This section applies only if the schedule shows that either the buildings are insured under section one or the contents are insured under section two of this insurance.**

**Part A**

Part A of this section applies in the following way:

- if the **buildings** only are insured, **your** legal liability as owner only but not as occupier is covered under Part A (i) below.
- if the **contents** only are insured, **your** legal liability as occupier only but not as owner is covered under Part A (i) and Part A (ii) below.
- if the **buildings** and **contents** are insured, **your** legal liability as owner or occupier is covered under Part A (i) and Part A (ii) below.

What is covered	What is not covered
<b>We will indemnify you</b>	<b>We will not indemnify you for any liability</b>
<p>(i) as owner or occupier for any amounts <b>you</b> become legally liable to pay as damages for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>bodily injury</b></li> <li>• damage to property</li> </ul> <p>caused by an accident happening at the <b>premises</b> during the <b>period of insurance</b>,</p> <p>OR</p> <p>(ii) as a private individual for any amounts <b>you</b> become legally liable to pay as damages for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>bodily injury</b></li> <li>• damage to property</li> </ul> <p>caused by an accident happening anywhere in the world during the <b>period of insurance</b></p>	<p>a) for <b>bodily injury</b> to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>you</b></li> <li>• any other permanent member of the <b>home</b></li> <li>• any person who at the time of sustaining such injury is engaged in <b>your</b> service</li> </ul> <p>b) arising out of any criminal or violent act to another person or property</p> <p>c) for damage to property owned by or in the charge or control of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>you</b></li> <li>• any other permanent member of the <b>home</b></li> <li>• any person engaged in <b>your</b> service</li> </ul> <p>d) in Canada or the United States of America after the total period of stay in either or both countries has exceeded 30 days in the <b>period of insurance</b> (Exclusions continued over the page)</p>

**Section four  
Legal Liability to the Public - Part A (continued)**

What is covered	What is not covered
<b>We will indemnify you</b>	<b>We will not indemnify you for any liability</b>
	<p>e) arising directly or indirectly out of any profession, occupation, business or employment</p> <p>f) which <b>you</b> have assumed under contract and which would not otherwise have attached</p> <p>g) arising out of <b>your</b> ownership, possession or use of:</p> <p>h) any motorised or horsedrawn vehicle other than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• motorised mobility scooters</li> <li>• gardening equipment used within the <b>premises</b> and</li> <li>• pedestrian controlled gardening equipment used elsewhere</li> </ul> <p>ii) any power-operated lift, other than stair lifts</p> <p>iii) any aircraft or watercraft other than manually operated rowing boats, punts or canoes</p> <p>iv) any animal other than cats, horses, or dogs which are not designated as dangerous under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 the Dangerous Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 or the Dangerous Dogs (Amendment) 1997 or any amending legislation</p> <p>i) in respect of any kind of pollution and/or contamination other than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• caused by a sudden, identified, unexpected and unforeseen accident which happens in its entirety at a specific moment of time during the <b>period of insurance</b> at the <b>premises</b> named in the <b>schedule</b>; and</li> <li>• reported to <b>us</b> as soon as possible but not later than 30 days from the end of the <b>period of insurance</b>;</li> </ul> <p>in which case all such pollution and/or contamination arising out of such accident shall be deemed to have happened at the time of such accident</p> <p>j) arising out of <b>your</b> ownership, occupation, possession or use of any land or <b>building</b> that is not within the <b>premises</b></p> <p>k) if <b>you</b> are entitled to indemnity under any other insurance, including but not limited to any horse or travel insurance, until such insurance(s) is exhausted</p>

Part B

What is covered	What is not covered
<b>We will pay for</b>	<b>We will not indemnify you</b>
<p>sums which <b>you</b> have been awarded by a court in the <b>United Kingdom</b> and which still remain outstanding three months after the award has been made provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part A(ii) of this section would have indemnified <b>you</b> had the award been made against <b>you</b> rather than to <b>you</b></li> <li>• there is no appeal pending</li> <li>• <b>you</b> agree to allow <b>us</b> to enforce any right which <b>we</b> shall become entitled to upon making payment</li> </ul>	<p>for any amount in excess of £100,000</p>

Part C

What is covered	What is not covered
<b>We will indemnify you for</b>	<b>We will not indemnify you</b>
<p>Any amount <b>you</b> become legally liable to pay under Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972 or Article 5 of the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 in connection with any <b>home</b> previously owned and occupied by <b>you</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for any liability if <b>you</b> are entitled to indemnity under any other insurance</li> <li>• for the cost of repairing any fault or alleged fault</li> </ul>

Limit of insurance

**We will not pay**

- Any damage or liability arising from pollution or contamination unless caused by a sudden and unforeseen and identifiable accident - **£2,000,000** in all
- in respect of other liability covered under section four:- more than **£2,000,000** in all for Part A and C, and **£100,000** for Part B for any one accident or series of accidents arising out of any one event, plus the costs and expenses which **we** have agreed in writing.



**Section five**  
**Valuables and personal possessions**

What is covered	What is not covered
This insurance covers	<b>We will not pay</b>
<p><b>valuables and personal possessions</b> listed in the <b>schedule</b> (or specification(s) attached) against physical loss or damage within the <b>geographical limits</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b></p>	<p>a) for damage caused by insects, vermin, infestation, corrosion, damp, wet or dry rot, mould, fungi or frost</p> <p>b) for damage to any part of a machine or system arising out of its own mechanical or electrical fault, breakdown, burn out or failure</p> <p>c) any amount over £1,500 for any one item unless stated otherwise in the <b>schedule</b> or the specification(s) attached to the <b>schedule</b></p> <p>d) for damage or deterioration of any article caused by dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation or whilst being worked upon</p> <p>e) for damage to guns caused by rusting or bursting of barrels</p> <p>f) for breakage of any sports equipment whilst in use</p> <p>g) for any loss of or damage to contact, corneal or micro corneal lenses</p> <p>h) for theft or disappearance of jewellery from baggage unless such baggage is carried by hand and under <b>your</b> personal supervision</p> <p>i) any amount over £1,500 in total in respect of theft or disappearance of property from any vehicle when such vehicle is left unattended without an authorised <b>occupant</b></p> <p>j) any amount over £2,000 in total in respect of theft or disappearance of jewellery from hotel or motel rooms during <b>your</b> absence from such rooms</p>

Conditions that apply to Section five (**valuables and personal possessions**) only

**How we deal with your claim**

1. **We** will at **our** option repair, replace or pay for any article lost or damaged.
2. If any insured item which is part of a pair or set and has an insured **value** of £1,000 or over:
  - **we** will not pay for the cost of replacing any undamaged or remaining items that form part of such pair or set.
  - **we** will not pay more than the proportion that the lost or damaged item bears to the insured **value** of such pair or set.

**Your** sum insured

3. If the total **value** of unspecified items at the time of the loss or damage is more than **your** sum insured for such items, then **we** will only pay for a proportion of the claim. For example if **your** sum insured only represents one half of the total **value** of unspecified items **we** will only pay one half of the cost of repair or replacement.

However, if **personal possessions** are lost or damaged away from the **home** **we** will not take account of the **value** of **personal possessions** in the **home** at the time of such loss or damage.

**Limit of insurance**

**We** will not pay more than the sum(s) insured shown in the **schedule**.

**Section six  
Domestic freezer cover**

The following cover applies only if the **schedule** shows that it is included.

What is covered	What is not covered
Section two of this insurance extends to cover	<b>We will not pay</b>
the cost of replacing <b>your</b> food in <b>your</b> fridge or freezer if it is spoiled due to a change in temperature or contaminated by refrigeration fumes	<p>a) for loss or damage caused by any electricity or gas company cutting off or restricting <b>your</b> supply</p> <p>b) for loss or damage due to the failure of <b>your</b> electricity or gas supply caused by a strike or any other industrial action</p> <p>c) more than £500</p>

**Section seven  
Pedal Cycle cover**

The following cover applies only if the **schedule** shows that it is included.

What is covered	What is not covered
Section two of this insurance extends to cover	<b>We will not pay</b>
<p>the cost of repairing or replacing <b>your</b> pedal cycles following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• theft or attempted theft</li> <li>• accidental damage</li> </ul> <p>occurring anywhere in the <b>United Kingdom</b></p>	<p>a) for loss or damage to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• tyres,</li> <li>• lamps,</li> <li>• accessories,</li> </ul> <p>unless the cycle is stolen or damaged at the same time</p> <p>b) for damage from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown</p> <p>c) for loss or damage while the cycle is used for racing or pacemaking or is let out on hire or is used other than for private purposes</p> <p>d) to replace a stolen cycle unless it was locked to an immovable object or kept in a locked building at the time of the theft</p>

**Limit of insurance**

**We will not pay more than the sum insured shown in the **schedule**.**

**Section eight**  
**Money and credit card cover**

The following cover applies only if the **schedule** shows that it is included.

What is covered	What is not covered
Section five of this insurance extends to cover	<b>We will not pay</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• theft or accidental loss of <b>money</b></li> <li>• any amounts which <b>you</b> become legally liable to pay as a result of unauthorised use following loss or theft of <b>your credit card(s)</b></li> </ul> <p>within the geographical limits shown in the <b>schedule</b>, provided that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• upon discovering any such loss or theft, <b>you</b> have notified the police and, in the case of <b>credit card(s)</b>, within 24 hours the card issuing company; and</li> <li>• <b>you</b> have complied with all other conditions under <b>your credit card(s)</b> were issued to you</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) to make up any shortages due to error or omission</li> <li>b) for loss of value</li> <li>c) not more than £500 in respect of money and £2,500 in respect of credit cards</li> </ul>

**Section nine**  
**Legal Expenses Cover**

## **Important Notice**

Please do not ask for help from a solicitor before we have agreed to underwrite their costs. If you do we will not pay the costs incurred.

## **Qdos Household & Family Legal Expenses Insurance**

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This policy has been arranged by Qdos Broker & Underwriting Services Limited with UK General Insurance Limited on behalf of:

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This is a "claims made" insurance policy. This insurance only covers claims that arise and are notified to *us* during the *period of insurance*.

The *insurer* agrees in consideration of the premium to indemnify *you* to the extent and in the manner provided within this policy.

Unless expressly stated nothing in this policy will create rights pursuant to the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

### **Making a claim**

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If an *insured person* wishes to discuss a problem which may lead to a claim, please ring our dedicated helpline quoting the certificate number on *your* Policy Schedule.

*Our* trained staff will help identify the problem and, where necessary, put the *insured person* in touch with a member of *our* panel of professional advisors. *We* will initially deal with a potential claim through the helpline service and, before the claim is accepted, may refer the matter to a suitably qualified and experienced professional person for advice and suggested appropriate action.

Claims should be notified as soon as possible by calling 01455 852102 or by writing to:

Claims Department  
Qdos Broker & Underwriting Services Limited  
Qdos Court  
Rossendale Road  
Earl Shilton  
Leicestershire  
LE9 7LY

Once details have been received by *us* and *we* have accepted the claim in writing, *we* will appoint one or more solicitors, accountants or other suitably qualified and experienced persons from *our* panel to act on the *insured person's* behalf.

## Definitions

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Each of the words and phrases listed below will have the same meaning wherever they appear in italics in this policy.

### **Appointed representative**

A solicitor, accountant or other suitably qualified person appointed in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 5, to act for an *insured person*.

### **Consequential loss**

Any other costs that are directly or indirectly caused by the event which led to *your* claim unless specifically stated in this policy.

### **Date of occurrence**

The date of one or more events arising at the same time or from the same cause, which give (s) rise to a claim under this insurance.

### **Disbursements**

Costs payable in respect of services provided by a third party to the *insured person*, distinct from the services supplied by the *appointed representative* to the *insured person*, that have been incurred with *our* prior consent.

### **Employee**

A person working under a contract of service excluding any person working under a contract of apprenticeship or providing services under a contract for services.

### **Goods**

Household goods and personal effects but only to the extent that these are insured under *your* household insurance policy.

### **Insured person**

*You* and, with *your* agreement to claim and if permanently living with you, the person *you* are married to or live with as if married, all members of *your* family and, where applicable, the legal personal representatives of any of them.

### **Insurer/their/them/they**

UK General Insurance Limited on behalf of Ageas Insurance Limited. UK General Insurance Limited is an insurers' agent and in the matters of a claim act on behalf of Ageas Insurance Limited.

### **Legal expenses**

The legal fees, accountants fees, costs, *disbursements* and other professional charges in connection with *legal proceedings* which Qdos has agreed to fund:

- a) Reasonably and necessarily incurred by the *appointed representative*.
- b) Incurred by other parties in civil cases if an *insured person* has been ordered to pay them or pays them with the prior agreement of Qdos.

For the purposes of this definition 'reasonably incurred' shall mean costs that are deemed by a court to be reasonable upon an assessment on the standard basis. Under the 'standard basis' of costs assessment the court will only allow costs which are proportionate to the matters in issue and will resolve any doubt it may have in favour of the party claiming those costs, as to whether costs have been reasonably incurred and/or that they are reasonable and proportionate. All *legal expenses* shall be subject to reasonable prospects of success – please refer to 'This policy will not cover – condition 1' for more information.

### **Legal proceedings**

The pursuit or defence of legal disputes or tax investigations made by or brought against an *insured person* including appealing or defending an appeal against judgment and excluding correspondence by way of pre-action protocol or any mediation or any other alternative dispute procedure, within the jurisdiction of a court or other body in the *territorial limits*.

### **Limit of indemnity**

The sum of £25,000 being the maximum amount payable by the *insurer* in respect of any one claim and in aggregate for all claims notified during any one *period of insurance*.

### **Part 36 Offer**

Any offer made by an opponent to settle a claim which may or may not offer any admission of liability, which may be made by either party at any time during the duration of the claim and if it is to be accepted, must be agreed within 21 days of the offer being made. Such an offer has the potential to cause the *insured person* to pay part of their opponent's costs should the *insured person* reject an offer, continue with the legal proceedings and subsequently fail to obtain more than they were offered by the opponent, or should they accept outside the 21 day period. This includes offers made under Part 36 of the Civil Procedure Rules 1998.

## **Qdos/we/us/our**

Qdos Broker & Underwriting Services Limited, an insurance intermediary who has been delegated authority to bind cover and manage claims settlements on behalf of the *insurer* and to whom any notification of a claim must be made.

## **Period of insurance**

The period for which *you* have paid or agreed to pay and *we* have agreed to accept a premium. This period will be the same as that of *your* household insurance policy with which this policy was issued.

## **Territorial limits**

- a) Part 5 of 'This policy will cover':  
The *United Kingdom*.
- b) Parts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 of 'This policy will cover':
  - i. The *United Kingdom* and other European Union member countries except for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
  - ii. Albania, Andorra, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Gibraltar, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Macedonia, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland, Turkey (west of the Bosphorus) and the Vatican.

## **United Kingdom**

England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

## **You/your/policyholder**

The person(s) named on the Policy Schedule.

## **Your home**

The property address as covered under *your* household insurance policy and named on the Policy Schedule attached to this policy.

## **This policy will cover**

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This insurance is a contract between *you* and the *insurer*. Subject to the terms, conditions, clauses and exclusions of this insurance, the *insurer* will indemnify the *insured persons* against *legal expenses* which may be incurred during the *period of insurance* for which the *insurer* has accepted *your* premium.

Subject always to the *limit of indemnity*, the *insurer* will pay for *legal expenses* which arise from *legal proceedings* brought by an *insured person* within the jurisdiction of a court or other body in the *United Kingdom* or against an *insured person* within the jurisdiction of a court or other body in the *territorial limits* and in either case falling within the scope of any of Sections 1 to 7 below provided that:

- a) *Your home* is in the *United Kingdom*.
- b) The *date of occurrence* is within the *period of insurance*.
- c) *We* have given written permission for an appeal or defence of an appeal.
- d) *We* will cover no more than two claims in any one *period of insurance*, not taking into account any claims(s) rejected by Qdos.
- e) The *insured person* will be responsible for the first £90 of each and every claim.
- f) The amount in dispute is more than £250.
- g) Where the claim relates to a dispute arising from an *insured person's* employment (as provided for under Endorsement L1, if issued with this Policy), all possible routes of dispute settlement including (without limitation) mediation, must have been exhausted by the *Insured Person*.

## **Section 1. Consumer contract disputes**

Disputes arising out of a contract for the purchase or hire of goods or services for private use or the sale or supply of privately owned goods provided that the *insured person* has entered into the agreement or alleged agreement after the commencement of the first *period of insurance*.

## **Section 2. Domestic property protection**

Disputes arising out of:

- a) A third party's alleged or actual negligent act or omission, nuisance, trespass or criminal damage relating to an *insured person's* material property which causes or could cause physical damage or pecuniary loss
- b) Infringement of *your* legal rights originating from the ownership of *your* home.
- c) A contract in *your* name and relating to *your home* for construction, conversion or extension, sale or purchase including the leasehold and rental (but only as a tenant) provided that the *insured person* has entered into the agreement or alleged agreement after the commencement of the first *period of insurance*.
- d) The landlord's failure to maintain *your* home.

## Exclusions to Section 2

The *insurer* will not indemnify the *insured person* in respect of claims:

- a) in respect any buildings or land other than *your* home;
- b) boundary disputes which arise in the first 180 days of this insurance unless the policy has renewed at least once;
- c) claims where any *insured person* is the landlord of the home or is leasing, sub-letting or renting-out all or any part of the premises for any purpose.

## Section 3. Professional negligence

Disputes an *insured person* may have with solicitors, accountants and surveyors arising out of:

- a) An agreement entered into by the *insured person* after the inception of the first *period of insurance*.
- b) Actual or alleged negligent advice, error and or omission where the *date of occurrence* is after the inception of the first *period of insurance* or where the starting date (as defined by Section 14A(5) of the Limitation Act 1980 or any amending or superseding legislation) is within the *period of insurance* provided that the relevant facts were not known to *you* and or any other *insured person* at the inception of the first *period of insurance*.

## Section 4. Legal defence

The defence of any:

- a) Prosecution of an *insured person* in a criminal court arising out of the sale or supply of privately owned *goods*.
- b) Civil action, arising out of the *insured person's* work as an *employee* (but not as a director), under any legislation relating to racial, sex or disability discrimination, data protection or being a trustee of a pension fund set up for the benefit of the *insured person's* fellow *employees*.

## Section 5. HM Revenue & Customs

An extensive examination by the HM Revenue & Customs into an *insured person's* personal tax affairs arising out of the *insured person's* work as an *employee*.

## Exclusions to Section 5

The insurer will not indemnify the *insured person* in respect of *legal expenses* incurred in an investigation which is limited to one or more specific aspects of their self-assessment tax return.

## Section 6. Attendance expenses

The actual loss of the salary or wages of an *insured person* for the time off work to attend any court hearing at the request of the *appointed representative* or as a defendant of an admitted claim under this insurance provided that such salary or wages are not recoverable from the relevant court or other party.

## This policy will not cover

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This policy does not cover any claim:

### 1. Prospects of success

That does not have reasonable prospects of success.

Reasonable prospects' means a 51% or greater chance that the *insured person* will be successful in their pursuit of *legal proceedings* and that the claim can be pursued in a proportionate manner.

In determining whether a claim can be pursued in a 'proportionate manner' we will consider whether a person without legal expenses insurance, and with the funds available to finance their own legal costs, would be likely to find the costs in question reasonable.

The factors we will take into account in assessing whether those costs are reasonable include:

- the prospects of success and the likely costs of pursuing the claim;
- the amount claimed and the amount that is likely to be recovered;
- the amount of adverse costs that we would be likely to pay if the claim was unsuccessful;
- the prospects of enforcing a judgment or agreement;
- the circumstances of the insured incident, including the *insured person's* conduct; and
- any other relevant factor.

### 2. Trade, business or profession

Arising from any trade, business, profession or employment of any *insured person* except as provided for under Section 4B of 'This policy will cover' and Endorsement L1 (if issued with this Policy).

### 3. Motor vehicles

Relating to a motor vehicle owned, driven, used, hired, leased, sold or purchased by an *insured person*.

### 4. Libel or slander

Relating to written or verbal remarks.



## 5. Deliberate, dishonest, violent or criminal acts

- a) Relating to:
  - a. A cause of action intentionally brought about by an *insured person*.
  - b. An *insured person's* actual or alleged dishonesty, actual or alleged violent behaviour or other criminal act.
- b) If it is dishonest or exaggerated in any way, if this happens we will also cancel all cover immediately.

## 6. Legal expenses not agreed

For *legal expenses* incurred:

- a) Before we agree to pay them on the *insurer's* behalf;
- b) Where *you* and/or an *insured person*:
  - i. Pursue or defend a case without *our* agreement or in a different manner to or against the advice of the *appointed representative*;
  - ii. Fail to give proper instructions in due time to *us*, to the *appointed representative* or to counsel or other persons instructed by the *appointed representative*;
- c) Where the *appointed representative* refuses to act on behalf of the *insured person* for any reason other than a conflict of interest when General Condition 5 will apply.
- d) In respect of witnesses, experts or agents interviewed, engaged or called as a witness without *our* prior written approval.
- e) Prior to issue of formal *legal proceedings* which does not include correspondence by way of pre-action protocol or any mediation or other alternative dispute resolution procedure.

## 7. Delay and prejudicial acts

Where an *insured person*, in *our* opinion, acts in a manner which is prejudicial to the case, including being responsible for any delay, withdrawing instructions from the *appointed representative* or withdrawing from the case.

## 8. Other insurance

For *legal expenses* which can be recovered by an *insured person* under any other insurance or which would have been covered if this insurance did not exist except for any amount in excess of that which would have been payable under the other insurance(s).

## 9. Fines and penalties

For fines, damages or other penalties which the *insured person* is ordered to pay by a court or other authority.

## 10. Disagreement

Relating to any dispute with *us*, the *insurer* or the *appointed representative*.

## 11. Date change

For *legal expenses* arising directly or indirectly from the failure of computer, data processing and any other electronic equipment or component, including microchips, integrated circuits and similar devices and or any software to recognise, interpret or process any date as its true calendar date.

## 12. War risks

For *legal expenses* arising from any consequence of war, terrorism invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power, confiscation, requisition or damage to property by or under the authority of any government, public or local authority. For the purpose of this exclusion "terrorism" means any act of any person or group of persons or organisation involving the causing occasioning or threatening of harm of whatever nature and by whatever means or putting the public or any section of the public in fear. In circumstances in which it is reasonable to conclude that the purpose of the person or group of persons or organisation concerned is wholly or partly of a political religious, ideological or similar nature.

## 13. Radioactive contamination

For *legal expenses* arising from any expense *consequential loss*, legal liability or any loss or damage, to property directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to, by or arising from:

- a) Ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel.
- b) The radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component of such assembly.
- c) Pressure waves caused by aircraft or any other airborne devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

## 14. Judicial review

For *legal expenses* relating to any judicial review whether within the *territorial limits* or not.

## 15. Bankruptcy, liquidation or receivership

For *legal expenses* when the *insured person* is bankrupt, in liquidation, has made an arrangement with his or her creditors, has entered into a deed of arrangement or part or all of the insured person's affairs or property are in the care or control of a receiver or an administrator.

## 16. Intellectual property

Relating to *legal proceedings* involving copyright(s), trademark(s), merchandise mark(s), registered or unregistered design(s) or other intellectual property rights or secrecy and confidentiality agreements.

## 17. Medical negligence

Relating to *legal proceedings* arising out of any actual or alleged case of medical negligence committed against any *insured person*.

## 18. Breakdown of marriage

Relating to any dispute that *you* may personally have arising from or relating to the breakdown of a marriage or quasi marital relationship.

19. Any claim which is settled or discontinued without *our* written consent.

20. Any claim where the *insured person* has disregarded *our* advice to accept a *Part 36 Offer* to settle.

21. Any costs that the *insured person* is ordered to pay by a court as a result of their unreasonable behaviour (as determined by the courts). Please refer to the General Conditions and Claims Conditions for details of what we expect the *insured person* and their *appointed representative* to do in the event of a claim.

## General conditions

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### 1. Your responsibilities

*You* are required by the provisions of the Consumer Insurance (Disclosure and Representations) Act 2012 to take care to supply accurate and complete answers to all questions and to make sure that all information supplied to *us* is true and correct. *You* must tell *us* of any changes to the answers *you* have given as soon as possible. Failure to advise *us* of any change to *your* answers may mean that *your* policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim.

*You* must contact *your* insurance broker or agent immediately in the event that there is a change to *your* circumstances, as follows:

- a) *You* change *your* address;
- b) *You* are convicted of a criminal offence or receive a police caution;
- c) *You* have insurance refused, declined, cancelled or terms applied by another insurance provider.

All *insured persons* must

- a) Observe and comply with the terms and conditions and exclusions of this policy.
- b) Try to prevent any incident that may give rise to a claim.
- c) Try to minimise the amount payable under this insurance (for example: by co-operating with *us* and the *appointed representative* and promptly providing *us* with any information that *we* or the *appointed representative* request)
- d) Try to resolve any dispute that may otherwise give rise to a claim, by way of negotiation, mediation or any other available alternative dispute resolution procedure.

### 2. Fraudulent claims or statements

If *you* make any request for payment under this policy knowing it to be fraudulent or false in any respect or ought reasonably in the circumstances to know it to be fraudulent or false, this policy shall become void and any premiums paid hereunder shall be forfeited and *we* shall be entitled to recover any monies previously paid. *We* may also share this information with the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

### 3. Reporting and acceptance of a claim

*You* must notify *your* claim within 90 days of the *date of occurrence* and provide any written or other evidence *we* request. *You* will be required to provide the names of any possible witnesses and details, produced at *your* own expense, of any costs incurred prior to *us* accepting the claim, including any action already taken.

### 4. Acceptance of a claim and right to refuse indemnity

The *insurer* or *us* on their behalf are entitled to refuse to accept a claim, or to continue to indemnify an *insured person* where:

- a) In *our* or their opinion:
  - i. the *policyholder* and or any other *insured person* has failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of this policy;
  - ii. the *policyholder* and or the *insured person* has failed to provide *us* or the *appointed representative* with any relevant information and or supporting evidence.
- b) In *our* opinion or that of the *appointed representative*, the *legal proceedings* no longer have reasonable prospects of success, or where applicable, that there are reasonable prospects of recovery from the other party.

*We* may, at any time, require *you* to obtain at *your* own expense an opinion from counsel as to the merits of *legal proceedings*. Payment will be made under this insurance, subject to the limit applicable to the claim, to include the cost

of obtaining the opinion only if counsel's opinion clearly demonstrates that there are reasonable prospects of success for the outcome of the *legal proceedings*.

If the *insurer* or *us* on their behalf refuse to accept a claim or to continue to indemnify an *insured person*, we will give the reason(s) in writing to *you* and the *insured person*.

In all cases, the onus shall be on *you* to demonstrate to the *appointed representative*, or to *our* own advisors or counsel (as appropriate) that such reasonable prospects as referred to above exist. *Your* cost of investigation and other expenses relating to *your* seeking to prove that such reasonable prospects do exist are not covered under this insurance.

#### **5. Legal representation**

- a) Before we accept a claim, we will tell *you* the name and address of *our* nominated *appointed representative*. That person will not become the *appointed representative* until we confirm in writing that they have accepted the claim.
- b) If we agree to the commencement of *legal proceedings* then an *insured person* has the right to nominate an *appointed representative*. This must be done by sending us the name and address prior to the commencement of any *legal proceedings*.
- c) When an *appointed representative* is appointed we will send them a copy of their terms of appointment which must be accepted by the *appointed representative* before they may commence any work for *you*.
- d) If we and an *insured person* do not agree about the choice of the *appointed representative*, both parties may agree in writing to choose a second suitably qualified person to decide the matter.
- e) The *insured person* shall always have regard to General Condition 1 both in relation to the nomination of an *appointed representative* and in relation to the conduct of the *legal proceedings*.
- f) This General Condition 5 also applies where a conflict of interest arises during *legal proceedings* or arises from the handling of a claim and the appointment of a replacement *appointed representative* is required.

#### **6. Control of the claim**

- a) All information, evidence and documents relating to the *legal proceedings* must be provided, at the *insured person's* own expense, to the *appointed representative* when requested and the *insured person* must meet with the *appointed representative* when requested.
- b) The *insured person* must keep the *appointed representative* regularly informed of all developments and co-operate fully in all respects.
- c) We must have direct access to the *appointed representative* at all times.
- d) The *insured person* must give the *appointed representative* any instructions asked for by us including for the supply of any documents or other information required by us.
- e) We are entitled to require *you* and/or the *insured person* to immediately produce to us all information, evidence, legal advice and documents relating to the *legal proceedings* in the possession or custody of *you*, the *insured person* or the *appointed representative*.
- f) *You* or the *insured person*, directly or via the *appointed representative*, must inform us immediately in writing if anyone makes an offer to settle the *legal proceedings* and no such offer should be accepted or rejected without our prior written consent.

#### **7. Payment under this insurance**

- a) If any offer to settle the *legal proceedings* which equals or exceeds the total damages (including any interest) eventually recovered by the *insured person* in the *legal proceedings* is not accepted by the *insured person*, the *insurer* will have no liability in respect of *legal expenses* incurred after such refusal unless we have given our written agreement to the continuation of the *legal proceedings*.
- b) When requested by us the *insured person* must instruct the *appointed representative* to have the *legal expenses* made subject to detailed assessment or audit by the relevant court.
- c) All accounts, orders or awards of a court for *legal expenses* to be paid under this insurance must be submitted to us promptly.
- d) Following receipt of the relevant accounts, orders or awards of a court for *legal expenses* to be paid under this insurance, payment will be made direct to the *appointed representative*, to the other party's legal representative or to such other party as is appropriate according to the terms of any order or award of the court.
- e) If the *insured person* withdraws from the *legal proceedings* without our agreement, cover will cease immediately and we will be entitled to be reimbursed for any *legal expenses* previously agreed or paid to or on behalf of the *insured person* in respect of such *legal proceedings*.

#### **8. Recoveries**

The *insurer* or *us* on their behalf reserve the right to take proceedings in *your* name, at their own expense and for their own benefit, to recover any payment we have made under this insurance to anyone else. If *you* or an *insured person* recover *legal expenses* previously paid under this insurance from any other party, such *legal expenses* must be immediately repaid to us.

## 9. Arbitration

Any dispute or difference of any kind between the *insurer*, *us* and an *insured person* will be referred to arbitration by a single arbitrator who will be either a barrister or solicitor. If the parties are unable to agree on the appointment of an arbitrator, all parties agree to accept an arbitrator nominated by the President of a relevant national Law Society. The arbitrator's decision will be final and binding on all parties and the unsuccessful party shall be responsible for any costs incurred by the successful party in the arbitration proceedings as well as their own costs.

## 10. Assignment

This insurance is between and binding upon *you* and the *insurer* and their respective successors in title, but this insurance may not otherwise be assigned by *you* without the *insurer's* prior written consent

## 11. Waiver

If *we*, the *insurer* or any *insured person* fail to exercise or enforce any rights conferred on them by this insurance, the failure to do so will not be deemed to be a waiver, nor will it bar the exercise or enforcement of, such rights at any subsequent time.

## 12. Governing law

Unless some other law is agreed in writing, this policy is governed by English law. If there is a dispute, it will only be dealt with in the courts of England or of the country within the United Kingdom in which *your* main residence is situated.

## 13. Third party rights

This expressly stated in this insurance, nothing in this insurance will create any rights in favour of any person pursuant to the Contracts (Right of Third Parties) Act 1999. This condition does not affect any right or remedy, of any person, which exists or is available otherwise than pursuant to that Act.

## 14. Cancellation rights

*You* have a right to cancel this insurance without liability for the premium within 14 days of the date upon which *you* receive *your* policy documents. Written notice of cancellation (enclosing *your* policy documents) must be given to the insurance broker or agent who provided this policy to *you*. If written notice of cancellation is not given within the 14 day period *you* will be responsible for payment of the premium.

The *insurer* shall not be bound to accept the renewal of any insurance and may at any time cancel this policy by sending 14 days' notice to *you* at *your* last known address. Provided the premium has been paid in full, *You* shall be entitled to a proportionate refund in respect of the unexpired period showing on the insurance.

## Complaints

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It is the intention to give *you* the best possible service but if *you* do have any questions or concerns about this insurance or the handling of a claim *you* should in the first instance contact:

The Nominated Complaints Handler  
Qdos Broker & Underwriting Services Limited  
Qdos Court  
Rossendale Road  
Earl Shilton  
Leicestershire  
LE9 7LY

Tel: 01455 850000  
Fax: 01455 841000  
Email: [compliance@qdosconsulting.com](mailto:compliance@qdosconsulting.com)

Please ensure *your* policy number is quoted in all correspondence to assist a quick and efficient response.

If it is not possible to reach an agreement, *you* have the right to make an appeal to the Financial Ombudsman Service. This also applies if *you* are insured in a business capacity and have an annual turnover of less than €2 million and fewer than ten staff. *You* may contact the Financial Ombudsman Service at:

The Financial Ombudsman Service  
South Quay Plaza  
183 Marsh Wall  
Docklands  
London  
E14 9SR

Tel: 0845 080 1800

The above complaints procedure is in addition to *your* statutory rights as a consumer. For further information about *your* statutory rights contact *your* local authority Trading Standards Service or Citizens Advice Bureau.

## **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

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Ageas Insurance Limited is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). *You* may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, if Ageas Insurance Limited cannot meet its obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Most insurance contracts are covered for 90% of the claim with no upper limit. *You* can get more information about compensation scheme arrangements from the FSCS by visiting [www.fscs.org.uk](http://www.fscs.org.uk).

## **Data Protection Act 1998**

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Please note that any information provided to us will be processed by us and our agents in compliance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998, for the purpose of providing insurance and handling claims, if any, which may necessitate providing such information to third parties. We may also send the information in confidence for process to other companies acting on their instructions including those located outside the European Economic Area.

## Endorsements

The following clauses apply if they are mentioned in the **schedule**. These are the standard **endorsements** that may be applied to **your** insurance by **us**. Occasionally **we** may apply special **endorsements** to **your** insurance. If this is the case a full copy of the **endorsement** will be provided with **your** policy **schedule**.

### 1: Alarm clause:

This insurance does not cover theft:

when you have left the premises without an authorised occupant unless:

a) at all such times the intruder alarm has been put into full and effective operation, and

b) the intruder alarm is kept in good working order throughout the period of insurance under a maintenance contract with a company which is a member of N.A.C.O.S.S. (National Approval Council for Security Systems), A.I.S.C. (Alarms Inspectorate and Security Council), S.S.A.I.B. (Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board) or Integrity 2000.

### 2: Bank or building societies interest clause:

The rights of the bank or building society who provided your mortgage will not be affected by anything you do to increase the risk of loss or damage to the home provided that they were unaware of such action. The bank or building society must write and tell us as soon as they become aware of any action you have taken to increase the risk of loss or damage. They may also have to pay an extra premium which you will have to repay them.

### 3: Business use extension clause:

In return for the payment of an extra premium Section four A(i) extends to include your legal liability, as defined in that Section, for using the home for the business purposes which are detailed in the schedule. However, we will not cover any liability arising out of advice given or services rendered in respect of your profession, occupation or business or employment.

### 4: Climatic conditions clause:

This insurance does not cover loss or damage caused by extremes of temperature or exposure to the light.

### 5: Contractors exclusion clause:

This insurance does not cover loss, damage or liability arising out of the activities of contractors.

### 6: Flood exclusion clause:

Section one (Buildings) and Section two (Contents) of this insurance do not cover loss or damage caused by flood other than directly resulting from escape of water from fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes as shown in number 4 of Sections one and two.

### 7: Hotel and motel clause:

This insurance does not cover theft or disappearance of Jewellery (including watches) from hotel or motel rooms during your absence from such rooms.

(This clause overrides exclusion (j) of the Personal Possessions section).

### 8: Index-linking clause

The sums insured in Section one (Buildings) and Section two (Contents) will be indexed each month in line with the following:

Section one (Buildings):	The House Rebuilding Cost Index issued by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.
Section two (Contents):	The Consumer Durables Section of the General Index of Retail prices or a similar index selected by us.

We will not charge you an extra premium for any monthly increase, but at each renewal we will calculate the premium using the new sums insured. For your protection should the index fall below zero we will not reduce the sum insured.

**9: Jewellery clause:**

This insurance shall not cover loss of Jewellery (including watches) by theft or disappearance unless it is:

- a) Being worn;
- b) Deposited in a bank or locked safe or Hotel/Motel safe; or
- c) Carried by hand and under your Personal supervision.

(This clause overrides exclusion (h) of Section 5 Personal Possessions).

**10: Keys clause:**

This insurance does not cover theft of Jewellery (including watches) from safe(s) unless you have removed the keys of the safe(s) from the home while you are absent from the premises.

**11: Minimum security clause:**

This insurance does not cover theft from the private dwelling of the home unless the undernoted minimum protections are fitted and operative.

Final Exit Door: 5 Lever Mortise Deadlock or some other lock conforming to British Standard 3621 or in the case of UPVC Double glazing a key operated multi locking mechanism with at least 3 locking bolts.

Other External Doors: A lock of the above calibre or the existing security supplemented with 2 key operated locking bolts.

Patio Doors: In addition to a central locking device, key operated bolts to top and bottom opening sections or the central rail, or a purpose manufactured patio door lock.

French Doors: A mortise lock of the calibre mentioned above in addition to the receiving section having 2 key operated bolts or 2 key operated bolts to both units.

Windows: Key operated security locks to all ground floor/basement and other accessible windows. Ground/Basement windows are acceptable if fitted with security bars or lockable security grills.

**12: Second Home clause:**

This insurance does not cover theft from the private dwelling of the home unless mortise deadlocks are fitted to all external doors and are fully locked when you are absent from the premises.

**13: Musical instruments clause:**

This insurance does not cover the breakage of strings, reeds or drumheads forming part of musical instruments.

**14: Non-Standard construction clause:**

It is agreed that the private dwelling of the home is not of standard construction.

**15: Premium finance cancellation clause:**

Where reference in this certificate is made to the payment of the premium such reference shall include payment by you of the premium by instalments and if you have elected to pay the first and subsequent premium by such means, it is understood that the insurance remains an annual contract and if any premium is not received on or before its due date then all unpaid instalments shall become immediately due. Should the full premium not be paid within 14 days of the finance company giving written notice of default the cover granted by this insurance will be cancelled immediately upon expiry of such notice and the current Certificate of insurance must be returned. Any return premium allowable under this insurance shall first be applied to the repayment of any instalment amounts which may be outstanding. If any additional premium becomes payable during the period of the insurance this can be collected by adjusting the payments outstanding under the present arrangements for the payment of premiums by instalments. Where an additional premium becomes payable and any instalment payments have been completed for the current year you will be required to settle this amount immediately.

**16: Protections clause:**

It is your duty to ensure that all protections provided for the security of the home and contents:

- are maintained in good working order, and
- are in full and effective operation whenever you are absent from the premises.

If you fail to comply with the above duties this insurance will become invalid in respect of loss or damage resulting from unauthorised entry.

**17: Safe clause:**

This insurance does not cover theft of Jewellery and watches from the home unless such items are kept in a locked safe when you have left the premises without an authorised occupant.

**18: Stamp clause:**

We will only pay up to 75% of the Stanley Gibbons valuation in respect of any stamps that are lost or damaged.

**19: Subsidence, heave or landslip exclusion clause:**

Subsidence or heave of the site on which the Buildings stand or landslip as shown in number 9 of Buildings and Contents Sections is not covered by this insurance.

**20: Theft limitation clause:**

This insurance does not cover theft or attempted theft from the home other than as a result of violent and forcible entry or exit.

**21: Unattended vehicles clause:**

This insurance does not cover theft or disappearance of property from any vehicle when such vehicle is left unattended without an authorised occupant.

**22: Unoccupancy clause:**

While the Buildings are unoccupied in excess of 30 consecutive days :

During the period 1st of November to 31st March all main water and gas supplies must be turned off unless the central-heating system is kept running to maintain a minimum temperature of 55°F (15°C);

This insurance excludes valuables, money and credit cards.

This insurance excludes theft or attempted theft from your home other than as a result of violent and forcible entry.

An authorised person must inspect the inside of your home every week.

A £350 excess shall apply to each claim other than subsidence or landslip which remains as per the certificate.

**23: Change of Occupancy Clause:**

It is a condition precedent to our liability that you or your authorised representative notify us if the home at the premises specified in the schedule becomes let under different circumstances or the nature of tenancy alters from that originally disclosed.

Upon receipt of this notice we reserve the right to amend the terms and conditions or cancel this insurance.

If you fail to comply with the above this insurance may become invalid.



**24: Wine clause:**

In consideration of the additional premium paid it is agreed that Section two extends to cover wine situated within the premises specified in the schedule (or specification attached) from any cause OTHER THAN AS EXCLUDED in the schedule

This insurance excludes:

- a) loss or damage caused by corkfly, ullage, unexplained shortages, contamination and decolourisation, extremes of temperature or pecuniary loss caused by fall in market value;
- b) loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by water damage to labels;
- c) any amount in excess of £100 any one bottle UNLESS otherwise stated in the specification attached to the schedule;
- d) Any amount in excess of the sum insured stated in the schedule;
- e) The first £100 of each and every claim.

It is warranted that:

- i) All wine be racked and stored a minimum of 6 inches (15 centimetres) from the floor,  
and
- ii) All racking be securely fastened to a wall.

**Basis of valuation:**

In respect of items not separately specified in the schedule the basis of valuation shall be 75% of the Decanter Index.

**25: Settings clause:**

It is warranted that the settings are checked and repaired annually by a jeweller who is a member of the National Association of Goldsmiths.

**L1: Legal Expenses Cover:**

Limit of Indemnity

The amount payable under the Limit of Indemnity is increased to £50,000.

Employment disputes

Cover is extended to include disputes arising from or relating to an *insured person's* contract of employment as an *employee* excluding directors' service contracts, subject to an excess of £300.

Cover will be provided for legal expenses incurred in bringing an employment dispute claim against the insured person's employer, and will also be provided for *employment tribunal fees* that the *insured person* is required to pay.

'Employment Tribunal Fees' is defined as: -

The fees introduced from 29<sup>th</sup> July 2013, which the *insured person* is required to pay to an Employment Tribunal when a claim is first issued and again when the claim is listed for tribunal or appeal. Fees in respect of appeals will only be covered where we have provided prior written consent.

The policy will not cover Adverse costs awards made against the *insured person*, pursuant to section 22, Employment Act 2002 including, without limitation, prior to the expiry of any applicable ACAS discussion period.



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