# Residential Let Insurance Policy

# Lansdown Insurance Brokers

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## Welcome...

Thank you for choosing Covéa Insurance.

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This is **Your** Property Owners policy. It sets out the details of **Your** insurance contract with Covéa Insurance.

**Your** premium has been calculated upon the information shown in the policy **Schedule** and recorded in **Your Statement of Fact**.

Please read the policy and **Schedule** carefully to ensure that the cover meets **Your** requirements.

Please contact **Your** broker if **You** have any questions or if **You** wish to make any adjustments.

James Reader

Chief Executive Officer

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## Introduction

## **About Your Policy**

The parts of the policy are:

- 1. the Statement of Fact
- 2. the **Schedule** which confirms the Sections of cover that are insured and any endorsement(s)
- 3. this policy wording which contains:
  - (a) this Introduction, Customer Information and the General Definitions, General Conditions and General Exclusions all of which apply to all Sections of the policy unless stated otherwise
  - **(b)** the Sections of cover provided including the Section Definitions, Extensions, Conditions and Exclusions.

**Your** policy is divided into a number of Sections. The **Schedule** shows the Sections of the policy that are operative. Where a Section does not apply, **Your Schedule** will state that it is 'not insured'.

Any word or expression given a specific meaning in:

- the Schedule, any policy endorsement(s), or this Introduction, the Customer Information and the General Definitions, Conditions and Exclusions shall have the same meaning throughout the policy unless We state otherwise
- 2. an individual Section or any Section endorsement(s) shall only have the same meaning throughout such Section or endorsement(s) unless **We** state otherwise.

Any such word or expression given a specific meaning shall be highlighted with a leading capital letter and in bold text within the policy wording.

In return for **You** having paid or agreed to pay the premium for the **Period of Insurance**, **We** will indemnify **You**, subject to the terms contained in or endorsed on the policy, in respect of loss **Damage** or liability or pay other benefits which fall within theoperative Sections of this policy, provided that the loss, **Damage** or injury which gives rise to the claim occurs (or in the case of the Employers' Liability Section is caused) during the **Period of Insurance** and in connection with the **Business**.

#### **IMPORTANT**

This policy is a legal contract.

You have a duty to make a fair presentation of the risk which is covered by this policy. Therefore You should ensure that any information You have provided to Us and the content of any application form, declaration and/or Statement of Fact is accurate and complete. Where You have provided Us with information which relates to matters of Your expectation or belief, it does not matter if such information turns out to be inaccurate provided that You acted in good faith when You provided Us with such information. If You do not comply with Your duty to make a fair presentation of the risk, Your policy may not be valid or the policy may not cover You fully or at all.

**You** must also tell **Us** about any facts or changes which affect **Your** insurance and which have occurred either since the policy started or since the last renewal date.

If **You** are not sure whether certain facts are relevant please ask **Your** broker. If **You** do not tell **Us** about relevant changes, **Your** policy may not be valid or the policy may not cover **You** fully or at all.

You should keep a written record (including copies of letters) of any information You give Us or Your broker

## **Customer Information**

#### Helplines

To take advantage of the following services please telephone **0117 934 0192** and quote **Your** policy number.

To help **Us** check and improve **Our** service standards, **We** may record all calls.

#### Euro Legal Advice Helpline

Advice can be provided on any commercial legal problem affecting **Your Business** under the laws of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, any European Union country, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Switzerland and Norway.

Wherever possible the Legal Advice helpline aims to provide immediate advice from a qualified legal advisor. However, if this is not possible they will arrange to call **You** back at a time to suit **You**.

Advice on the laws of England and Wales can be provided 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Beyond this jurisdiction, or for very specialist legal matters, **We** will refer **You** to one of **Our** specialist advisers. Specialist advice is provided 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding public and bank holidays. If calls are received outside of these times, **We** will arrange to call **You** back.

#### Tax Advice Helpline

Advice can be provided on any tax matters affecting **Your Business**, under UK law. This service is provided 9am - 5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding public and bank holidays. If calls are made outside these times, they will arrange to call **You** back.

Telephone: 0117 934 0192.

#### Counselling Service

This will provide **Your Employees** (including any members of their immediate family who permanently live with them) with a confidential counselling service over the phone if they are aged 18 or over (or aged between 16 and 18 and in full-time employment). This includes, where appropriate, onward referral to relevant voluntary and/or professional services. Any costs arising from the use of these referral services will not be paid by **DAS**. The counselling service helpline is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Telephone: 0330 134 8165

**DAS** will not accept responsibility if the Helpline Services fail for reasons they cannot control.

#### 24 hour Emergency Assistance

As a Covéa Insurance Policyholder **You** have 24 hour access to emergency assistance should **You** encounter a problem affecting **Your Business Premises** ranging from a broken window to a fire or any other emergency including:

- Emergency glazing
- Locks
- Plumbing

Arrangements will be made for a suitable contractor or repairer to attend, although if the incident is not covered by **Your** policy **You** will be responsible for all costs incurred.

#### How to make a Claim Sections 1-5

Should **You** be unfortunate enough to have to make a claim, Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline will manage all aspects of the claim for **You** from the time it is reported.

Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline is a service operated 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

You can notify Us of a claim by:

Telephone: 0330 024 2266

All calls may be recorded for training and evidential purposes.

Email: newcommercialclaims@coveainsurance.co.uk

Post: Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline, Norman Place, Reading, RG1 8DA

Staff trained in managing commercial claims will:

- Take details of **Your** claim over the phone, in most cases removing the need for completion of an incident report form.
- Take control of the management of **Your** claim from start to finish.

Our aim is to bring **Your** claim to a satisfactory conclusion.

#### Section 6: Legal Expenses

Please refer to the Legal Expenses section of the policy for details about Making a Claim and the dedicated Legal Expenses telephone reporting line.

#### Choice of Law

The parties to an insurance contract are free to choose the law that will apply. Unless **We** agree in writing with **You** otherwise, this insurance shall be subject to the law applying in that part of the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or Isle of Man where **You** have **Your** principal place of business. If there is any dispute, the law of England and Wales shall apply.

#### How to make a Complaint Sections 1-5

It is always **Our** intention to provide a first class standard of service. However **We** do appreciate that occasionally things go wrong. In some cases the broker who arranged **Your** insurance will be able to resolve any concerns, particularly if **Your** complaint relates to the way the policy was sold, and **You** should contact them directly.

Alternatively please contact  ${\bf Us}$  using the following details quoting  ${\bf Your}$  policy or claim number.

Customer Relations Covéa Insurance

Norman Place

Reading

Berkshire RG1 8DA

Telephone: 0330 221 0444

Website: www.coveainsurance.co.uk

Email: customer.relations-rdg@coveainsurance.co.uk

Full details of the Covéa Insurance Internal Complaints Procedure are detailed in **Our** leaflet 'Complaints Procedure' which is available on request or may be downloaded from **Our** website at www.coveainsurance.co.uk/complaints.

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#### Section 6: Legal Expenses

If **Your** complaint relates to services provided under the Legal Expenses section, please refer to that section of the policy for details on How to Make a Complaint.

#### Financial Ombudsman Service - all Sections

**You** may be eligible to refer **Your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. There are a few instances where they will not be able to assist and they will confirm if **Your** complaint is eligible when **You** contact them. Their contact details are:

Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower Harbour Exchange Square London E14 9SR

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

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

#### Financial Services Compensation Scheme

Covéa Insurance and DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. **You**/an **Insured Person** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if **We** or DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited are unable to meet **Our** liabilities under this insurance.

Further information is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme 10th Floor Beaufort House 15 St Botolph Street London EC3A 7QU.

Telephone: **020 7741 4100**Website: www.fscs.org.uk
Email: enquiries@fscs.orq.uk

#### How We Use Your Information

Please visit www.coveainsurance.co.uk/dataprotection for further information about how and when we process **Your** personal information under **Our** full Privacy Policy.

The personal information, provided by **You**, is collected by or on behalf of Covea Insurance plc ('we, us, our') and may be used by **Us**, **Our** employees, agents and service providers acting under **Our** instruction for the purposes of insurance administration, underwriting, claims handling, for research or for statistical purposes.

**We** may process **Your** information for a number of different purposes. For each purpose **We** must have a legal ground for such processing. When the information that **We** process is classed as "sensitive personal information", **We** must have a specific additional legal ground for such processing.

Generally, **We** will rely on the following legal grounds:

- It is necessary for Us to process Your personal information to provide Your insurance policy and services. We will rely on this for activities such as assessing Your application, managing Your insurance policy, handling claims and providing other services to You
- We have an appropriate business need to process Your personal
  information and such business need does not cause harm to You.
   We will rely on this for activities such as maintaining Our business
  records and developing, improving Our products and services.
- We have a legal or regulatory obligation to use such personal information.

- We need to use such personal information to establish, exercise or
- You have provided Your consent to Our use of Your personal information, including sensitive personal information.

#### How We Share Your Information

In order to sell, manage and provide **Our** products and services, prevent fraud and comply with legal and regulatory requirements, **We** may need to share **Your** information with the following third parties, including:

- Reinsurers, Regulators and Authorised/Statutory Bodies
- Credit reference agencies
- Fraud prevention agencies
- Crime prevention agencies, including the police
- Suppliers carrying out a service on Our, or Your behalf
- Product providers where you've opted to buy additional cover
- · Other insurers, business partners and agents
- Other companies within the Covea Insurance Group

#### Marketing

**We** will not use **Your** information or pass it on to any other person for the purposes of marketing further products or services to You unless You have consented to this.

#### Fraud Prevention and Detection

In order to prevent or detect fraud and money laundering **We** will check **Your** details with various fraud prevention agencies, who may record a search. Searches may also be made against other insurers' databases. If fraud is suspected, information will be shared with those insurers. Other users of the fraud prevention agencies may use this information in their own decision making processes.

**We** may also conduct credit reference checks in certain circumstances. **You** can find further details in **Our** full Privacy Policy explaining how the information held by fraud prevention agencies may be used or in which circumstances **We** conduct credit reference checks and how these checks might affect **Your** credit rating.

#### **Automated Decisions**

**We** may use automated tools with decision making to assess **Your** application for insurance and for claims handling processes, such as price rating tools, flood, theft and subsidence area checks and credit checks.

These automated decisions will produce a result on whether **We** are able to offer insurance, the appropriate price for **Your** policy or whether **We** can accept **Your** claim. If **You** object to an automated decision, **We** may not be able to offer **You** an insurance quotation or renewal

#### How to Contact Us

Please contact **Us** if **You** have any questions about **Our** Privacy Policy or the information **We** hold about **You**:

The Data Protection Officer, Covea Insurance plc, 50 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JX or email: dataprotection@coveainsurance.co.uk.

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#### Employers' Liability Tracing Office

If **Your** policy provides Employers' Liability cover information relating to **Your** insurance policy will be provided to the Employers' Liability Tracing Office (the "ELTO") and added to an electronic database, (the "Database") in a format set out by the Employers' Liability Insurance: Disclosure by Insurers Instrument 2010.

The Database assists individual consumers (the Claimants) who have suffered an employment related injury or disease arising out of their course of employment in the UK whilst working for employers carrying on, or who carried on, business in the UK and who are covered by the employers' liability insurance of their employers to identify:

- which insurer (or insurers) was (or were) providing employers' liability cover during the relevant periods of employment; and
- the relevant employers' liability insurance policies.

The Database and the data stored on it may be accessed and used by the Claimants, their appointed representatives, insurers with potential liability for UK commercial lines employers' liability insurance cover and any other persons or entities permitted by law.

The Database will be managed by the ELTO and further information can be found on the ELTO website: www.elto.org.uk

#### Registration and Regulatory Information

Insurance cover under Sections 1-5 are provided by Covea Insurance plc. Registered in England and Wales No. 613259.
Registered office: Norman Place Reading Berkshire RG1 8DA.

Covea Insurance plc is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Our Firm Reference Number is 202277.

**You** can check the regulatory status of each firm on the Financial Services Register by visiting the Financial Conduct Authority's website: www.fca.org.uk/register or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on **0800 111 6768**.

## General Definitions

Each Section of the policy contains definitions which apply to that particular Section and they must be read in conjunction with the following General Definitions.

#### **Business**

The Business stated in the **Schedule** conducted solely within the **Territorial Limits** including:

- 1. the ownership, repair and maintenance of the **Premises**
- the provision of first aid but excluding any first aid provided by any qualified medical practitioner or nurse
- private work undertaken by any Employee with Your prior consent for any director, partner, senior official or other Employee of Yours
- the provision and management of canteen, sports, social and welfare organisations by You for the benefit of the Your Employees
- 5. Your participation in exhibitions.

#### Damage

Loss destruction or damage unless otherwise excluded.

#### **Defined Peril**

- 1. Fire
- 2. Lightning
- 3. Explosion
- **4.** Aircraft or other aerial devices or articles dropped therefrom
- Earthquake
- Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances
- 7. Malicious persons other than thieves
- 8. Theft
- 9. Storm
- 10. Flood
- 11. Escape of water from any tank apparatus or pipe
- 12. Escape of oil from any fixed heating installation
- 13. Impact by any road vehicle or animal.

#### **Employee**

Any person working under **Your** control in connection with the **Business** who is:

- 1. under a contract of service or apprenticeship with You
- 2. a person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with some other employer and who is hired to or borrowed by **You**
- 3. a labour master or labour only sub-contractor or person supplied by them
- **4.** a self-employed person providing labour only
- 5. a trainee or person undergoing work experience, training, study or exchange scheme
- 6. a voluntary helper.

#### Excess

The amount stated in this policy or the **Schedule** or any endorsement for which **You** will be responsible and which will be deducted from each and every claim.

#### Period of Insurance

Period of Insurance stated in the **Schedule** and any subsequent period for which **We** have accepted a renewal premium.

#### Pollution or Contamination

- 1. All pollution or contamination of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere and
- 2. All Bodily Injury or **Damage** directly or indirectly caused by such pollution or contamination.

#### **Premises**

The buildings or part of the buildings and the land inside the boundary of the risk address shown in the **Schedule** owned by **You** or for which **You** are legally responsible.

#### **Property Insured**

- 1. Buildings
- 2. Contents
- 3. Other property

as specified in the Schedule.

#### Redecoration

- 1. Installation, repair or replacement of fixtures and fittings
- 2. Internal decorating, painting and tiling
- 3. Internal joinery and plastering
- 4. Window replacement.

#### Schedule

The document that specifies **Your** details, the **Premises**, the **Property Insured** and any **Excess**, endorsement(s) and Conditions applicable. The **Schedule** shows the Sections of the policy that are operative.

#### Statement of Fact

This is a record of the information that **You** provided to **Us** about **You** and **Your Business** upon which **Your** insurance quotation is based.

#### Territorial Limits

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

#### Vacant or Unoccupied

Buildings or part thereof that have become unoccupied, untenanted or which have not been actively used for a period of more than:

- (a) 60 days in respect of Buildings or portion of any Building occupied for residential purposes
- **(b)** 30 days in respect of Buildings or portion of any Building which is not occupied for residential purposes

#### We/Us/Our

Covea Insurance plc.

#### You/Your/Policyholder

The person(s) or Company named in the **Schedule**.

## **General Conditions**

The following General Conditions shall apply to all Sections of this policy unless stated otherwise.

#### 1. Alteration in Risk

You or Your broker must tell Us immediately if during the Period of Insurance there is any alteration in risk or to the facts which You disclosed when You took out this policy, which materially affects the risk of injury, loss, Damage or liability which would fall within the policy cover. This includes but is not limited to alterations to the Business or the Premises.

When **You** tell **Us** about an alteration in risk, **We** may apply additional terms and conditions to this policy (including but not limited to premium) or, if the risk is unacceptable to **Us**, **We** may cancel the policy in accordance with General Condition 3 (b) Our Rights to Cancel the Policy.

If an alteration creates an additional premium, this will be subject to a minimum premium of £10 plus Insurance Premium Tax. If an alteration creates a lower premium,  $\mathbf{We}$  will refund any difference, except for the first £10 or any difference which is less than £10 plus Insurance Premium Tax, which will be retained to cover administrative costs.

If You fail to tell Us about an alteration in risk, We may:

- (a) terminate the policy back to the date when the alteration occurred, if We would have cancelled the policy had You told Us of the alteration in risk;
- (b) proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim; and/or;
- (c) treat the policy as if it contained such different terms (other than relating to the premium) that **We** would have applied to the policy had **You** told **Us** of the alteration in risk.

Any reduction in claims payments or application of different terms will take effect from the date on which the alteration in risk occurred.

Where **We** elect to proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim, **We** will pay a percentage of the claim, the percentage being calculated by comparing the premium which **You** actually paid with the premium which **We** would have charged had **You** told us about the alteration in risk. For example, if the premium which **You** actually paid is 70% of the premium **We** would have charged, **We** will only pay 70% of any claim.

#### 2. Building Work

If **You** are planning to have any structural work undertaken at **Your Premises**, for example an extension, demolishing any walls, renovation or any form of building work **You** must tell **Your** broker or **Us** about any plans at least 7 days before the work commences.

We will then assess the risk and provide any terms to the policy We deem necessary. We will not pay any claim for **Damage** caused by and/or arising either directly or indirectly due to the building work taking place, without prior agreement.

You do not need to inform Your broker or Us if You are undertaking Redecoration.

#### 3. Cancellation

#### (a) Your Rights to Cancel the Policy

**You** may cancel this policy within 14 days from the date it begins or from the date **You** receive this policy document and **Schedule**, whichever is the latter, returning the policy document and **Schedule** to **Your** broker. If cover has not yet started **You** 

will receive a full refund of the premium. If cover has started **We** will refund the premium for the exact number of days left on the policy minus an administration fee of £25 plus Insurance Premium Tax. No refund will be given if a claim has been submitted or there have been any incidents likely to give rise to a claim during the current **Period of Insurance**.

In the event of cancellation by **You** after the 14 day period described above, **We** will refund the premium for the exact number of days left on the policy minus an administration fee of £25 plus Insurance Premium Tax. No refund will be given if a claim has been submitted or there have been any incidents likely to give rise to a claim during the current **Period of Insurance**.

#### (b) Our Rights to Cancel the Policy

**We** or any agent appointed by **Us** and acting with **Our** authority have the right to cancel **Your** policy, where there is a valid reason for doing so.

**We** will give **You** 14 days notice of cancellation in writing, by recorded delivery, to the latest address **We** have for **You** and will set out **Our** reason for cancellation in **Our** letter. Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

(i) no

- paying a premium when it is due
- co-operating with Us, or sending Us information or documentation that materially affects Our ability to process the policy or Our ability to defend Our interests
- taking all reasonable precautions to prevent or minimise
   Damage accident or injury as required by General
   Condition 9 Reasonable Precautions of this policy

and failing to put this right when **We** ask **You** to by sending **You** 7 days written notice to **Your** latest address.

(ii) use of threatening or abusive behaviour or language, or intimidation or bullying of Our staff or suppliers.

If **We** cancel **Your** policy, **We** will refund the premium for the exact number of days left on the policy minus an administration fee of £25 plus Insurance Premium Tax unless a claim or an incident likely to give rise to a claim has occurred during the current **Period of Insurance**. No refund will be given if a claim has been submitted or there have been any incidents likely to give rise to a claim during the current **Period of Insurance**.

If  $\mathbf{You}$  are paying by monthly instalments:

- (a) all outstanding monies must be paid to  $\boldsymbol{U}\boldsymbol{s}$  as described in  $\boldsymbol{Your}$  Loan Agreement
- (b) We may exercise Our right to collect the balance of any outstanding premium in the event of a claim.

#### 4. Change of Risk or Interest

This policy shall be avoided if:

- (a) Your interest ceases other than by death
- (b) the Business be wound up or carried on by a liquidator or receiver or permanently discontinued at any time after the commencement of this insurance unless We have accepted the change

Nothing contained in this policy shall give any right against **Us** to any person other than **You** except to a transferee approved by **Us**.

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#### 5. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

#### 6. Fair Presentation of the Risk

**You** must make a fair presentation of the risk when **You** first take out this policy and also whenever **You** renew it or ask **Us** to change **Your** 

If **You** fail to make a fair presentation of the risk including failing to disclose or misrepresenting a material fact, or disclosing material facts to **Us** in a way which is not clear and accessible:

We may avoid this policy and refuse all claims where:

- (a) such failure was deliberate or reckless; or
- (b) We would not have entered into this policy on any terms had You made a fair presentation of the risk.

Should **We** avoid this policy **We**:

- (a) shall treat the policy as if it had not existed from the start date, the renewal date, or the date when You asked Us to change Your cover, depending on when the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk occurred
- (b) shall return the premium paid for the period for which the policy is treated as not having existed unless the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk was deliberate or reckless
- (c) may deduct from any return of premium due to You any monies already paid in respect of claims falling within the period for which the policy is treated as not having existed or require You to repay such claims.

Provided that any failure to make a fair presentation of the risk is not deliberate or reckless, if **We** would have entered into or renewed this policy, or agreed to make changes to **Your** cover on different terms had **You** made a fair presentation of the risk, **We** may:

- (a) proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim; and/or
- (b) treat the policy as if it contained such different terms (other than relating to the premium) that We would have applied to the policy had You made a fair presentation of the risk.

Any reduction in claims payments or application of different terms will take effect from the date on which the policy started, was renewed or when changes were made to **Your** cover, depending on when **You** failed to make a fair presentation of the risk.

Where **We** elect to proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim, **We** will pay a percentage of the claim, the percentage being calculated by comparing the premium which **You** actually paid with the premium which **We** would have charged had **You** made a fair presentation of the risk. For example, if the premium which **You** actually paid is 70% of the premium **We** would have charged, **We** will only pay 70% of any claim.

Where this policy provides benefits to individuals who would, if they had taken out similar insurance in their own name, have done so for purposes wholly or mainly unconnected with their trade, business or profession, **We** will not rely on this condition if the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk concerns only facts or information which relate to that particular individual, unless the individual (or **You** on their behalf) makes a careless misrepresentation, in which case **We** may rely on this condition as against that particular individual as if a separate

insurance contract had been issued to them leaving the remainder of the policy unaffected.

#### 7. Instalments

If **You** have a Loan Agreement with Covéa Insurance to pay for **Your** insurance it is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that payments shall be made in line with the Loan Agreement otherwise all benefit under the policy shall be forfeited and the policy shall be cancelled as outlined in **Your** Loan Agreement.

#### 8. Other Interests

The interests of third parties which **You** are required to include on this policy under the terms of any mortgage, property lease or hiring leasing or hire purchase agreement are automatically deemed to be covered subject to **You** advising **Us** at the time of notification of any claim.

#### 9. Reasonable Precautions

You must:

- take all reasonable precautions to prevent or minimise Damage, accident or Bodily Injury
- **(b)** maintain the **Premises**, machinery, equipment and furnishings in a good state of repair
- (c) exercise due care in the selection and supervision of Employees
- (d) comply with all relevant statutory requirements, manufacturers' recommendations and other regulations relating to the use, inspection and safety of property and the safety of persons.

#### 10. Reinstatement of Sum Insured

**We** will in the event of **Damage** under this policy automatically reinstate the sum insured unless there is written notice by **Us** to the contrary, provided that:

- (a) You undertake to pay the appropriate additional premium
- (b) You immediately implement any recommendations
  We make to prevent further Damage and effect all repair or replacement work without delay.

#### 11. Sanctions

**We** shall not provide cover or be liable to provide indemnity or pay any claim or provide any benefit under this policy to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose **Us** or any member of **Our** group to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of any country.

#### 12. Vacant or Unoccupied Premises

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that whenever the **Buildings** or part thereof are **Vacant or Unoccupied You** will notify **Us**:

- (a) immediately **You** become aware that the Buildings are **Vacant or Unoccupied**
- **(b)** of any **Damage** to the **Vacant or Unoccupied** Buildings whether such **Damage** is insured or not
- (c) that the Buildings are to be occupied by contractors for renovation, alteration or conversion purposes

The following action must be implemented by **You**:

(i) an internal and external inspection of the Buildings every 7 days by You or an authorised representative and a written record of such inspections maintained

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- (ii) all trade refuse and waste materials are removed from the interior of the Buildings and no accumulation of refuse and waste be allowed in the adjoining yards or spaces owned by **You**
- (iii) the Buildings must be secured against unlawful entry and all locks bolts and other protective devices in full operation
- (iv) all ground floor window openings must be securely fastened and if specified by Us in writing boarded up in accordance with Our requirements
- (v) ensure all letterboxes are sealed to prevent insertion of material
- (vi) all sources of power fuel or water are turned off and the water system drained down other than:
  - where electricity is needed to maintain any fire or intruder alarm system in operation
  - where the Buildings are protected by a wet sprinkler installation to provide sufficient heat to prevent freezing or bursting of the sprinkler installation.

In the event of any breach of security of the Buildings, malicious damage or any evidence of unlawful entry or attempted entry to the Buildings **You** will immediately:

- (a) carry out the necessary work to satisfy the above requirements
- (b) notify Us.

## Claims Conditions

All of the following Claims Conditions apply in addition to any Claims Conditions contained in the Sections of this policy.

#### 1. Average

If at the time of any loss the total sum insured specified in the **Schedule** is less than 85% of the total value of the **Property Insured We** shall bear only that proportion of the loss which the total sum insured bears to the total of the **Property Insured**.

#### 2. Claims Procedure

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that in the event of a claim or possible claim:

- (a) You must advise the police as soon as reasonably possible if there has been a theft, attempted theft, riot damage, vandalism or any malicious act or if any Property Insured has been lost outside the Premises
- (b) You must advise Us as soon as reasonably possible
- (c) You must not admit or repudiate liability without Our written
- (d) You must inform Us immediately of any claim being made, or of any impending prosecution, inquest or fatal accident inquiry. All documentation relating to any accident, claim, prosecution or court proceedings must be sent to Us immediately, unacknowledged
- You must provide at Your own expense all details and evidence We may reasonably require
- (f) You must take all reasonable steps to mitigate the extent of any Damage
- (g) We are entitled to enter any building where Damage to Property Insured by this policy has occurred and to take possession of and deal with any salvage in a reasonable manner. No property may be abandoned to Us.

#### 3. Fraudulent Claims

For the purposes of this Condition the definition of '**You/Your**' will also include any person who is entitled to benefit from the policy to the extent that a claim is made by or on their behalf.

If You or anyone acting on Your behalf makes a claim which is in any way fraudulent We:

- (a) will not pay the claim;
- (b) may recover from You any sums already paid by Us in respect of the claim; and
- (c) may notify You that We are treating this policy as having terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.

If **We** do treat this policy as having terminated **You** will have no cover under this policy from the date of termination and will not be entitled to any refund of premium.

Where a fraudulent claim is made by or on behalf of a person who is not the **Policyholder** this condition applies only to that person's claim and references to 'this policy' should be read as if they were references to the cover for that person alone and not to the policy as a whole.

Fraudulent claims include but are not limited to:

- (a) making a claim which is fraudulent, fictitious or known to be false
- (b) intentionally exaggerating or inflating a claim

- (c) supporting a claim with false or forged documents, information or statements
- (d) wilfully causing loss, Damage or injury.

#### 4. Other Insurances

If **Damage** or liability which is the subject of a claim under this policy is covered by any other insurance **We** will only pay **Our** rateable proportion of the claim.

#### 5. Subrogation

We will be entitled to undertake in Your name or on Your behalf:

- (a) the defence or settlement of any claim
- **(b)** steps to enforce rights against any other party before or after payment is made by Us.

#### 6. Terms not Relevant to Actual Loss

If payment of a claim is conditional upon compliance with any term of this policy **We** will not pay for any claim where the term has not been complied with except where the term concerned:

- (a) is operative only in connection with particular premises or locations:
- (b) is operative only at particular times; or
- (c) is intended to reduce the risk of particular types of injury, loss, Damage or liability

where **We** will pay for claims in respect of which **You** can prove that non-compliance with the term could not have increased the risk of the injury, loss, **Damage** or liability which occurred.

## General Exclusions

The following General Exclusions apply to all Sections unless otherwise stated and in addition to the Exclusions contained in each Section.

This policy does not cover:

#### 1. War Government Action and Terrorism

- (a) Damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any other costs directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:
  - (i) War Government Action or Terrorism
  - (ii) civil commotion in Northern Ireland
- **(b)** legal liability of whatsoever nature or any costs or expenses whatsoever directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from War Government Action or Terrorism except to the extent stated in the Liability Provisions.

For the purpose of this Exclusion and its Liability Provisions:

**War** shall mean war invasion acts of foreign enemies hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not) civil war mutiny civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to popular rising military rising insurrection rebellion revolution or military or usurped power.

**Government Action** shall mean martial law confiscation nationalisation requisition or destruction of property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority or any action taken in controlling preventing suppressing or in any way relating to war.

**Terrorism** shall mean acts of persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any organisation which carries out activities directed towards the overthrowing or influencing by force or violence of Her Majesty's government in the United Kingdom or any other government de jure or de facto.

In any action suit or other proceedings where **We** allege that by reason of this exclusion as far as it relates to **Terrorism** any **Damage** or resulting loss or expense or other costs directly or indirectly caused by such event is not covered by this insurance the burden of proving that such **Damage** loss or expense is covered shall be upon **You**.

#### Liability Provisions

Subject otherwise to the terms definitions exclusions provisions and conditions of this policy We will indemnify You under Section 3: Employers' Liability provided that in respect of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of any one original cause Our liability in respect of all legal liability costs and expenses directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from Terrorism shall not exceed £5,000,000.

**We** will indemnify **You** under Section 4: Property Owners Liability against legal liability costs and expenses directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from **Terrorism** provided that **Our** liability shall not exceed:

(a) in respect of or arising out of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of one original cause £2,000,000 or the amount of the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule whichever is the lower but in respect of Products Supplied this limitation shall apply to all insured events occurring in any one Period of Insurance

(b) in respect of all Pollution or Contamination consequent upon Terrorism and which is deemed to have occurred during any one Period of Insurance £2,000,000 in the aggregate or the amount of the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule whichever is the lower.

#### 2. Radioactive Contamination

**Damage** to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss or any liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or 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 or contaminating properties of any nuclear installation, reactor or other nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- (c) any weapon of war employing atomic or nuclear fission and/or fusion or other like reaction or radioactive force or matter

As far as concerns Bodily Injury caused to any **Employee** of **Yours** if such Bodily Injury arises out of and in the course of employment or engagement of such person by **You** this Exclusion shall apply only in respect of:

- (i) the liability of any principal
- (ii) liability assumed by You under agreement and which would not have attached in the absence of such agreement.

#### 3. Sonic Bangs

**Damage** caused by or consisting of pressure waves caused by aircraft or other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

#### 4. Northern Ireland

**Damage** and any consequential loss in Northern Ireland occasioned by or happening through or in consequence directly or indirectly of riot, civil commotion and (except in respect of **Damage** or any consequential loss by fire or explosion) strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons.

#### 5. Asbestos

(not applicable to Section 3: Employers' Liability)

Any cost expense or liability for Bodily Injury loss or **Damage** directly or indirectly arising out of or resulting from the manufacture mining processing distribution testing remediation removal storage disposal sale use of or exposure to asbestos or materials or products containing asbestos whether or not there is another cause of loss which may have contributed concurrently or in any sequence to a loss.

#### 6. Confiscation & Nationalisation

Confiscation nationalisation or requisition by order of any government public municipal local or customs authority.

#### 7. Electronic Risk

(a) Erasure loss distortion or corruption of information on or reduction in the functionality availability or operation of any electronic equipment whether belonging to You or not caused by the malicious introduction or incursion of any unauthorised unintended undesired or unexpected program instruction or command or any other computer or electronic virus

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(b) The failure of any electronic equipment to recognise accept respond to or process any data or instruction. However subsequent **Damage** which is otherwise covered by **Your** policy is nevertheless insured.

#### Marine

**Damage** to property which at the time of the happening of the **Damage** is insured by any marine policy or policies (or would but for the existence of this policy) except in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would have been payable under the marine policy or policies had this policy not been effected.

#### 9. Mould and Fungus Fungal Pathogens

(not applicable to Section 3: Employers' Liability)

**Damage** to any property or any loss cost or expense or legal liability directly or indirectly arising out of or resulting therefrom or any consequential loss in any manner related to **Fungal Pathogens** whether or not there is another cause of loss which may have contributed concurrently or in any sequence to a loss.

For the purposes of this Exclusion **Fungal Pathogens** shall mean any fungus or mycota or any by-product or type of infestation produced by such fungus or mycota including but not limited to mould mildew mycotoxins spores or any biogenic aerosols.

#### 10. Pollution or Contamination

(not applicable to Section 3: Employers' Liability and Section 4: Property Owners Liability)

**Damage** caused by **Pollution or Contamination** but this shall not exclude destruction of or **Damage** to the **Property Insured**, not otherwise excluded, caused by:

- (a) Pollution or Contamination which itself results from a Defined Peril; or
- (b) a Defined Peril which itself results from Pollution or Contamination.

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions apply to this Section in addition to the General Definitions at the front of this policy and keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### **Buildings**

The Building or Buildings stated in the **Schedule** for which **You** are legally responsible including:

- (a) outbuildings
- **(b)** permanent fixtures and fittings including alarms systems
- (c) foundations, extensions, annexes, gangways, conveniences and
- (d) car parks, driveways, paths, steps, roadways and yards
- (e) walls, gates and fences
- (f) piping, ducting, cabling and control gear
- (g) fuel tanks, telephone, gas, water and electric meters, fibre optic or integrated services, digital network lines
- (h) sanitary ware, fixed glass, fanlights, skylights and partitions, solar panels and wind turbines
- (i) air conditioning and central heating systems
- (j) underground services.
- **(k)** hard tennis courts, swimming pools and roof gardens applicable to blocks of flats and individual private dwellings only.

#### Contents

This shall include both:

#### (a) Common Parts

The contents of common parts including furniture, furnishings, fitted carpets, fixtures and fittings, potted plants and their containers, signs whilst contained in or about the **Buildings** insured by this policy belonging to **You** or for which **You** are responsible

#### (b) Residential Accommodation

Furniture, furnishings, fitted carpets, appliances and other household goods in any self-contained flat or other private dwelling at the **Premises** 

belonging to You or for which You are responsible.

#### **Contract Works**

Temporary or permanent works executed or in the course of execution at the **Premises** by **You** or on **Your** behalf for the purposes of alterations or improvements to the **Premises** including unfixed site materials supplied for incorporation into the works but not including property more specifically insured.

#### Personal Effects

Personal possessions normally worn, carried by, on or about the person, clothing, tools and pedal cycles not otherwise insured, belonging to **Your** directors, partners, **Employees**, customers and visitors.

#### Cover

**Damage** occurring at or within 50 metres of the **Premises** to the **Property Insured** described in the **Schedule** occurring during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### Extensions

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### Additional Costs of Construction – Energy Efficiency

We will pay for the additional costs of reinstatement following **Damage** to the **Buildings** arising solely from the necessity to comply with the application of the EC Directive on Energy Performance on Buildings 2002/91 (as enacted in applicable national law) provided that **We** will not be liable under this cover for any such costs or expenses:

- (a) in respect of Damage occurring prior to the inception of this Section
- (b) for work which takes more than 12 months from the date of **Damage** unless prior consent has been given by **Us**
- (c) in respect of property entirely undamaged.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 or 10% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower.

#### **Additional Statutory Costs**

**We** will pay reasonably and necessarily incurred additional costs involved in complying with statutory regulations or local authority requirements following **Damage** to the **Property Insured** provided that **We** will not be liable under this cover for any such costs or expenses:

- (a) in respect of Damage occurring prior to the inception of this Section
- (b) in respect of property entirely undamaged
- **(c)** where notice to comply has been served upon **You** prior to the occurrence of **Damage**
- (d) for work which takes more than 12 months from the date of **Damage** unless prior consent has been given by **Us**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £500,000 or 10% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower.

#### Additional Statutory Costs – Undamaged Portions

**We** will pay for additional costs involved in complying with statutory regulations or local authority requirements following **Damage** to **Property Insured** in respect of undamaged portions provided that **We** will not be liable under this cover for any such costs or expenses:

- (a) in respect of Damage occurring prior to the inception of this Section
- **(b)** where notice to comply has been served upon **You** prior to the occurrence of **Damage** at the **Premises**
- (c) for work which takes more than 12 months from the date of Damage unless prior consent has been given by Us
- (d) which have not been agreed by  ${\bf Us}$
- (e) that would otherwise have been payable had the undamaged portion been wholly destroyed as a result of the **Damage** which caused **You** to claim.

Our liability will not exceed  $\pounds 25,000$  in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Architects' and Surveyors' Fees

Within the overall limit of the sum insured on **Property Insured We** will pay the cost of architects', surveyors', consulting engineers', legal and other fees necessarily and reasonably incurred with **Our** consent in the reinstatement or repair of the property following **Damage** but excluding fees charged for the preparation of any claim.

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#### Average Waiver

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Claims Condition of Average and the Day One – Basis of Settlement – Special Conditions, **We** agree to waive any rights for underinsurance in respect of **Buildings** provided that:

- (a) You can provide documentary evidence of a valuation completed by a Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors registered valuer
- (b) the date of the valuation report is within three years of the date of **Damage**
- (c) the Declared Value:
  - (i) is based on the latest valuation report
  - (ii) has been subject to increases in accordance with the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors rebuilding cost index

In the event of any structural alterations or additions this waiver will not be valid until a subsequent revaluation has been completed and the Declared Value is amended accordingly.

#### Capital Additions

This Section includes:

- (a) Newly acquired and/or newly erected Buildings and Contents anywhere within the Territorial Limits in so far as such property is not otherwise insured
- (b) Alterations, additions and improvements to existing Buildings and Contents and at the Premises but excluding any appreciation in value of such property during the Period of Insurance provided that You will notify Us of such capital additions as soon as possible or within 6 months of the addition and pay the appropriate additional premium that may be required to provide retrospective cover from the commencement date of Your liability for such property. Following such notification the provisions of this clause are fully reinstated.

**Our** liability will not exceed £250,000 or 10% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower.

#### Concern for Welfare Costs

**We** will pay **You** costs and expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred following **Damage** caused by the emergency services or persons acting under their control in gaining access to the **Buildings** as a result of their concern for the welfare of an occupier of the **Premises** 

**We** shall not be liable for costs incurred following **Damage** caused by the police in the course of criminal investigations.

**Our** liability will not exceed £5,000 any one occurrence.

#### Contracting Purchaser

If **You** contract to sell the **Buildings** the purchaser will be entitled to the benefit provided by this Section, between the exchange of contracts and the completion of the sale, provided that the purchaser completes the purchase and the **Buildings** are not otherwise insured.

#### Contractors Interest

Where **You** are required to effect insurance on the **Property Insured** in the joint names of the **Policyholder** and the contractor under the terms of a condition in the contract between **You** and the contractor then the interest of the contractor in the **Property Insured** as a joint insured is hereby noted provided **You** will advise **Us** of details of any single contract valued in excess of £50,000 or 10 % of the sum

insured on the **Property Insured** whichever is the less and pay any additional premium **We** may require.

#### **Contract Works**

The insurance by each Item on **Buildings** extends to include Contract Works in respect of any contract for which **You** are responsible under the terms of the contract provided that this cover does not apply to Contract Works in so far as it is otherwise insured.

Our liability will not exceed £250,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### **Debris Removal Costs**

The **Property Insured** extends to include costs and expenses necessarily incurred by **You** with **Our** consent in:

- (a) removing debris
- **(b)** dismantling or demolishing
- (c) shoring up or propping

of the portion or portions of the **Property Insured** which have been subject to **Damage** provided that **We** will not be liable for any such costs or expenses:

- (i) incurred in removing debris except from the site of the Property Insured which has suffered Damage and from the area immediately adjacent to such site
- (ii) arising from Pollution or Contamination of property not insured by this Section

**Our** liability will not exceed the Property Damage sums insured shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Debris Removal Costs (Tenants Contents)

**We** will pay **You** for the irrecoverable costs and expenses (where they are not insured elsewhere) incurred by **You** with **Our** consent to remove the debris of tenants contents following **Damage**.

**We** will not be liable for any such costs or expenses:

- (a) incurred in removing debris except from the site of the **Property**Insured which has suffered **Damage** and from the area immediately adjacent to such site
- **(b)** arising from **Pollution or Contamination** of property not insured by this Section.

#### **Drain Clearing**

**We** will pay **You** for reasonable expenses necessarily incurred by **You** in clearing, cleaning and/or repairing drains, gutters, sewers and the like for which **You** are legally responsible in consequence of **Damage** as insured by this Section.

Our liability will not exceed £25,000 any one occurrence.

#### Fly Tipping

**We** will pay **You** for the costs necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You** with **Our** consent in clearing and removing any property illegally deposited in or around the Buildings at the Premises.

Our liability will not exceed £10,000 any one occurrence and £25,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Further Investigation Costs

Where **You** have suffered **Damage** to **Buildings** and in the opinion of a competent construction professional there is a reasonable possibility of other **Damage** to a portion of the same **Building** which is not immediately apparent **We** will pay the reasonable costs

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incurred by **You** with **Our** prior consent in establishing whether or not such **Damage** has occurred.

**We** will also pay the reasonable costs incurred by **You** with **Our** prior consent, in establishing whether or not **Buildings** in the immediate vicinity have suffered **Damage** by the same incident but only if such **Buildings** are subsequently found to have suffered such **Damage** for which **We** are liable under this Section.

Our liability will not exceed £10,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### **Gardening Equipment**

**We** will pay **You** for **Damage** to gardening equipment owned by **You** and used in connection with the **Business** at the **Premises**.

Our liability will not exceed £10,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### **Index Linking**

The sum insured specified in the **Schedule** will be adjusted at monthly intervals in accordance with fluctuations in suitable indices of cost. This adjustment will continue after any **Damage** if the repairs or reinstatement are done without delay.

We will not charge any extra premium during the **Period of Insurance** but at the end of the period **We** will calculate the renewal premium based on the revised sum insured.

#### **Interested Parties**

Any act or omission by the leaseholder, lessee, mortgagor or **You** or by any tenant occupying or using the **Buildings** which increases the possibility of **Damage** will not prejudice the insured interest of the freeholder, lessor or mortgagee provided that:

- such act or omission is entirely without the authority of the freeholder, lessor or mortgagee
- (b) as soon as the freeholder, lessor or mortgagee becomes aware of any such act or omission they will give immediate written notice to Us and pay any additional premium required.

#### **Landscaping Costs**

**We** will pay **You** for the costs necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You** with **Our** consent in repairing or reinstating **Damage** to the landscaped gardens and grounds at the **Premises** caused by fire brigade equipment and personnel in the course of combating fire or any other insured event provided that **You** are legally responsible for the repair or reinstatement of such **Damage**.

Our liability will not exceed £25,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Loss of Metered Utilities

**We** will pay charges for which **You** are responsible if water, oil, gas or electricity is accidentally discharged from a metered system providing service to the **Premises** as a result of **Damage** insured under this Section.

**We** shall not be liable for any such charges incurred by **You** in respect of any **Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings**.

Our liability will not exceed £25,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Malicious Damage by Residential Tenants

**We** will pay **You** for the **Damage** caused by the malicious actions of a tenant their family or guests occupying the **Buildings** or portion of any **Building** for residential purposes.

**We** shall not be liable for **Damage** by theft or attempted theft caused by a tenant their family or guests occupying the **Buildings** or portion of any **Building** for residential purposes.

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability under this Extension that:

- (a) You or authorised persons acting on Your behalf or Your managing agents shall in each instance obtain and retain written and verified references for all residential tenants or prospective residential tenants
- (b) You must produce such written references at Our request in the event of a claim under this Extension.

Our liability will not exceed £5,000 any one occurrence.

#### Non-invalidation

The insurance by this Section, other than in respect of **Damage** by theft or any attempt thereat, will not be invalidated by any act or omission or by any alteration unknown to **You** and beyond **Your** control whereby the risk of **Damage** is increased provided that as soon as **You** become aware of any such act or omission or alteration **You** will give immediate written notice to **Us** and pay any additional premium required.

#### **Protection Equipment Expenses**

In the event of **Damage** which is insured by this Section **We** will pay **You** the costs reasonably incurred with **Our** consent in refilling recharging or replacing fire extinguishment equipment and smoke cloaks.

**Our** liability will not exceed the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Removal of Wasp or Bee Nests or Vermin

**We** will pay the costs necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You** with **Our** consent in removing wasp or bee nests or vermin from the **Buildings** at the **Premises** provided that:

(a) We will not be liable for wasp or bee nests or vermin which were already in the Building prior to inception of this policy or prior to the purchase of any new **Premises**.

Our liability will not exceed £1,000 any one occurrence.

#### Replacement of Keys and Resetting of Digital Locks

For the purpose of this Extension the definition of Keys is: Any device used to open a lock including but not restricted to any electronic device key card or remote control transmitter.

**We** will pay **You** costs and expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred for the replacement of locks or resetting of digital locks provided that the original keys were stolen from the **Premises** or the private residence of **You** or an authorised representative.

Our liability will not exceed £5,000 any one occurrence.

#### Seventy-two Hour Clause

**Damage** caused by Storm, Flood or Earthquake if insured hereby occurring within each and every separate period of Seventy-two hours during the currency of this Section will be deemed to be one occurrence in determining the application of any deductible or the **Excess**.

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#### Sprinkler Upgrade Costs

We will pay the costs incurred following **Damage** to **Property Insured** to upgrade an automatic sprinkler installation within **Your Buildings** in order to comply with current Loss Prevention Council (LPC) rules.

Provided that:

- (a) at the date of Damage the installation conforms to the LPC rules current at the date of installation
- (b) the system has a complete service record up to the date of Damage.

#### Subrogation Waiver

In the event of a claim arising under this Section **We** agree to waive any rights remedies or relief to which **We** may become entitled by subrogation against:

- (a) any company standing in the relation of Parent to Subsidiary or Subsidiary to Parent to You as defined in the Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order as appropriate current at the time of the Damage
- (b) any company which is a Subsidiary of a Parent Company of which You are yourself a Subsidiary in each case within the meaning of the Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order as appropriate current at the time of the Damage
- (c) any tenant or lessee who contributes to the cost of the premiums but excluding **Damage** arising out of the tenant's or lessee's gross negligence or as a result of the tenant's or lessee's wilful act or recklessness.

#### Temporary Removal

The **Property Insured** by this Section is also covered whilst temporarily removed for cleaning, renovation, repair or similar purposes elsewhere and in transit thereto and therefrom within the **Territorial Limits** provided always that:

- (a) Our liability any one occurrence will not exceed 10% of the sum insured for each Item covered for Damage occurring elsewhere than at the Premises
- (b) such property is not more specifically insured.

#### Theft Damage to Buildings

We will pay for **Damage** to the **Buildings** at the **Premises** not owned by **You** or insured by this policy resulting from theft or any attempt thereat provided that **You** are legally responsible for the repair of such **Damage**.

Our liability will not exceed £50,000 or 10% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule** whichever is the lower.

#### Theft of Fixed Fabric of the Buildings

Theft of the fixed fabric of the **Buildings** for which **You** own or are legally responsible for, including fixed external CCTV equipment and security lighting.

Our liability will not exceed £25,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Trace and Access

In the event of **Damage** at the **Premises** resulting from the escape of water or oil from any fixed installation, **We** will pay for costs necessarily and reasonably incurred in:

- (a) locating the source of Damage in order to effect repairs
- (b) making good

Our liability will not exceed £25,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Tree Felling and Lopping

**We** will pay the cost incurred by **You** in removing or lopping trees which are an immediate threat to the safety of life or **Damage** to the **Premises** provided that **We** will not be liable for:

- (a) costs incurred solely to comply with a Preservation Order
- (b) legal or local authority costs involved in removing trees

Our liability will not exceed £10,000 any one occurrence.

#### Unauthorised Use of Electricity Gas or Water

**We** will pay **You** for the cost of metered electricity, gas or water for which **You** are legally responsible arising from its unauthorised use by persons taking possession of or occupying **Premises** without **Your** authority.

Provided that **You** shall take all practical steps to terminate such unauthorised use as soon as it is discovered.

Our liability will not exceed £10,000 any one occurrence.

#### Workmen

Workmen shall be allowed on the **Premises** for the purpose of carrying out minor repairs decorations or alterations without affecting the cover provided by this Section.

#### Optional Extensions of Cover

Your Schedule will show if this Extension is operative.

#### Subsidence

Exclusion 16 Section 1: Property Damage is deleted.

This Section is extended to include **Damage** caused by Subsidence, Landslip or Ground Heave of any part of the site on which the **Property Insured** stands.

We will not be liable under this Extension for:

- (a) Damage to yards, forecourts, terraces, drives, roads, pavements, walls, gates and fences unless a Building insured by this Section is damaged by the same cause at the same time
- **(b) Damage** caused by or consisting of bedding down of new structures or by the settlement or movement of made up ground or by coastal or river erosion
- (c) Damage occurring whilst the whole or part of the **Property**Insured is in the course of erection, structural alterations or repair or demolition
- (d) Damage caused by defective design or workmanship or defective materials
- **(e)** Damage which commenced prior to the inception of the cover under this Extension
- (f) Damage cause by or consisting of fire, subterranean fire, explosion, earthquake or the escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe
- (g) the amount of the Excess stated in the Schedule applicable to Subsidence

#### Provided that:

Insofar as this insurance relates to **Damage** caused by Subsidence, Ground Heave or Landslip **You**:

(a) keep the Property Insured in good and substantial repair

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(b) notify Us immediately You become aware of any demolition, groundworks, excavation or construction being carried out on any adjoining site.

**We** shall then have the right to vary the terms or cancel the cover provided by this Extension.

#### Basis of Claims Settlement Clauses

#### Maximum Amount Payable

The most **We** will pay in respect of any one occurrence will not exceed the sum insured stated against each Item or the total of all sums insured stated against all Items insured by this Section as shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Average

Each Item of **Property Insured** under this Section is similarly but separately subject to Average as specified in Claims Conditions.

#### Designation

For the purpose of determining where necessary the Item against which any property is insured **We** agree to accept the designation under which such property has been entered in **Your** books.

#### **Basis of Settlement**

In the event of **Damage** to **Property Insured** by this Section the basis upon which the amount payable will be calculated is as follows:

- (a) deeds, documents and business books their value as stationery only together with the cost of clerical labour expended in writing up and not for the value to You of the information contained therein
- (b) computer systems records the value of the materials only together with the cost of clerical labour and computer time expended in reproducing the records provided that We will not pay for the value to You of the information contained therein or for any expense in connection with the production of information to be recorded therein
- (c) Personal Effects not otherwise insured the cost of repair or replacement at the time of the **Damage**
- (d) all other property including Buildings the cost of repairing or reinstating the property equal to its condition when new provided that:
  - (i) this is carried out without delay and in the most economical manner
  - (ii) when **Property Insured** is partially lost, destroyed or damaged **Our** liability will not exceed the estimated reinstatement cost which would have been payable had it been wholly lost or destroyed
  - (iii) until reinstatement has been completed no payment will be made for more than the amount which would be payable if an allowance had been made for wear, tear or depreciation
  - (iv) where for any reason no payment is to be made on the basis of repair or reinstatement as new (liability being otherwise admitted) then the Basis of Settlement is restated to read as follows:

Following **Damage** insured by this Section and subject to the adequacy of the sums insured and to the limits of liability **We** will pay:

- (a) in the case of **Buildings**, the value of the **Buildings** at the time of **Damage**, or the amount of such **Damage** as the case may be, after due allowance for wear, tear or depreciation or at its option replace, reinstate or repair the lost, destroyed or damaged property
- (b) in the case of all other property, the cost of repair or replacement at the time of the **Damage** after due allowance for wear, tear or depreciation.

#### Day One - Basis of Settlement

For each Item of **Buildings** to which this clause applies (as stated in the **Schedule**) subject to the following Special Conditions the basis upon which the amount payable is calculated:

For this purpose 'Declared Value' is defined as:

Your assessment of the cost of Reinstatement of the Buildings at the level of costs applying at the inception of the Period of Insurance (ignoring inflationary factors which may operate subsequently) together with in as far as the insurance provides allowance for:

- (a) the additional cost of Reinstatement to comply with public authority requirements
- (b) professional fees
- (c) debris removal costs.

For this purpose 'Reinstatement' is defined as:

- (a) the rebuilding or replacement of property subject to **Damage** which, provided **Our** liability is not increased, may be carried out:
  - (i) in any manner suitable to **Your** requirements
  - (ii) upon another site

The premium is based on the  $\bf Declared\ Value\ ($ shown in the  $\bf Schedule\ ).$ 

The amount payable under this Clause in respect of **Buildings** will be the cost of **Reinstatement** of the property sustaining **Damage**.

#### Special Conditions

- At the inception of each Period of Insurance You will notify Us
  of the Declared Value of the Buildings. In the absence of such
  declaration the last amount declared adjusted to reflect IndexLinking will be taken as the Declared Value for the ensuing
  Period of Insurance
- In respect of each Item to which this Clause applies the condition of Average is amended to read:
  - If at the time of **Damage** the **Declared Value** of an Item for **Buildings** is less than 85% of the cost of **Reinstatement** at the inception of the **Period of Insurance** then **Our** liability for the **Damage** will not exceed the proportion thereof which the **Declared Value** bears to such cost of **Reinstatement**
- Our liability for the repair or restoration of property which is only partially damaged will not exceed the amount which would have been payable if the property been wholly destroyed
- 4. No payment beyond the amount which would have been payable in the absence of this Clause will be made:
  - (a) unless **Reinstatement** commences and proceeds without unreasonable delay
  - (b) until the cost of **Reinstatement** has actually been incurred
  - (c) if at the time of **Damage** the **Buildings** is insured by any other insurance effected by **You** or on **Your** behalf which is not upon the same basis of **Reinstatement**

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(d) if You do not comply with any of the provisions of this Clause

**Our** liability in respect of each Item for **Buildings** will not exceed the sum insured stated in the **Schedule**.

#### Conditions

The following conditions apply to this Section in addition to the General Conditions and Claims Conditions at the front of this policy.

#### Fire Extinguishing Appliances

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that **You** will maintain all fire extinguishing appliances in efficient working order and under a contract of maintenance during the **Period of Insurance**. Subject to the observance of this Condition this Section will not be invalidated by any defect in any of the said appliances due to any circumstances unknown to **You** or beyond **Your** control.

#### Roof Maintenance Condition

It is a condition precedent to  $\mathbf{Our}$  liability that any flat felted roof that is older than 10 years or where the age is unknown is inspected at least once every two years by a qualified builder or property surveyor and:

- (a) any defect identified by that inspection is repaired immediately
- (b) a permanent record is kept of all such inspections, repairs and maintenance.

#### Survey

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability under this policy that **You** shall comply with any risk improvements required by **Us** following a survey within the timescales specified.

**We** retain the right to cancel suspend or alter the terms of the insurance provided by this policy should the survey show the risk or any part thereof to be unacceptable to **Us** requiring improvement.

#### **Exclusions**

The following exclusions apply to this Section in addition to the General Exclusions at the front of this policy.

This Section does not cover:

- 1. water (other than loss of metered water as described in this Section), air, runways, railway lines, dams, reservoirs, storage lakes, canals, rigs, wells, tunnels, docks, piers, jetties, excavations, wharfs, mines, and off-shore property
- 2. animals and growing crops
- 3. paintings, prints and works of art with a value in excess of £2,500 any one claim
- **4.** bullion, furs, explosives, contraband, jewellery, precious metals, precious stones or furs
- 5. overhead electrical and telecommunication transmission and distribution lines, overhead transformers or other similar overhead communication, transmission or distribution equipment and their supporting structures other than those within the **Premises** for which **You** are responsible

- **6.** vehicles required to be licensed for road use (including accessories thereon), caravans, trailers, railway locomotives or rolling stock, watercraft, aircraft or spacecraft (including but not limited to satellites)
- property or structures in the course of demolition, construction or erection and materials, equipment or supplies in connection therewith unless specifically mentioned as insured by this Section
- 8. moveable property in the open, fences, gates, vegetation, lawns and shrubs in respect of **Damage** caused by wind, rain, hail, sleet, snow, flood, dust or falling trees
- 9. property (other than **Contract Works**) from a garden, yard, open space or any open fronted or open sided building therein by theft or any attempt thereat or malicious damage
- Property Insured at any premises that are Vacant or Unoccupied unless agreed by Us
- 11. Damage to property stored in any outbuildings or basement caused by storm, flood, leakage of oil or water following bursting or overflowing of oil or water tanks, apparatus or pipes or from any automatic sprinkler installation, unless such property is raised at least 100mm above the ground floor level of the outbuilding or the floor level of the basement
- **12. Damage** to any electrical machine or apparatus or component thereof occasioned by its over-running, excessive pressure, short-circuiting or self-heating not resulting in fire
- 13. Explosion
  - (a) caused by or consisting of the bursting of a boiler (not being a boiler used for domestic purposes only) economiser or other vessel, machine or apparatus in which internal pressure is due to steam only and belonging to **You** or under **Your** control but this shall not exclude subsequent **Damage** which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
  - (b) in respect of and originating in any vessel machinery or apparatus or its contents, belonging to **You** or under **Your** control which is required to be examined to comply with any statutory regulations unless such vessel, machinery or apparatus will be the subject of a policy or other contract providing the required inspection service
- **14. Damage** arising solely from a change in the water table level (i.e. the level below which the ground is saturated with water)
- **15.** Damage by falling trees caused by felling or lopping carried out by **You** or on **Your** behalf
- **16. Damage** caused by Subsidence, Ground Heave or Landslip
- **17. Damage** caused by or arising from or consisting of:
  - (a) collapse or cracking of Buildings
  - **(b)** marring, scratching, denting or mechanical or electrical defect, failure, breakdown or derangement
  - (c) gradually operating causes, including but not limited to atmospheric or climatic conditions, wet or dry rot, fungus, rust, corrosion, woodworm, moths, insects, vermin or pests

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- (d) any process involving heating, drying, cleaning, dyeing, staining, repairing, restoring, renovating, fitting, installation, testing, commissioning, alteration or maintenance of any property
- (e) use of any article contrary to manufacturers' instructions
- **(f)** change in temperature, colour, flavour or finish but this shall not exclude:
  - such Damage not otherwise excluded which itself results from a Defined Peril
  - subsequent **Damage** which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- 18. Damage caused by or consisting of
  - (a) inherent vice, latent defect, defective design, plan or specification or the use of faulty materials
  - **(b)** wear, tear or depreciation or diminution in value
  - (c) faulty or defective workmanship operational error or omission by **You** or any of **Your Employees**

but this shall not exclude subsequent Damage which results from a cause not otherwise excluded

- 19. theft unless:
  - (a) involving forcible and violent entry to or exit from a Building at the  ${\bf Premises}$
  - (b) involving assault or violence or threat thereof to You or any of Your Employees
  - (c) as provided for under Section Extension Theft of Fixed Fabric of the Buildings
- **20.** losses not directly associated with the incident that caused **You** to claim
- 21. the Excess stated in the Schedule.

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions apply to this Section in addition to the General Definitions at the front of this policy and keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### **Indemnity Period**

The period beginning with the occurrence of the **Damage** and ending not later than the **Maximum Indemnity Period** during which the **Rent** receivable is affected as a result of the **Damage**.

#### Maximum Indemnity Period

The period shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Notifiable Human Infectious or Contagious Diseases

Those diseases notifiable under the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1988, namely Acute encephalitis, Acute poliomyelitis, Anthrax, Cholera, Diphtheria, Dysentery, Food poisoning, Legionellosis, Leptospirosis, Malaria, Measles, Meningitis, Meningococcal septicaemia (without meningitis), Mumps, Ophthalmia neonatorum, Paratyphoid fever, Plague, Rabies, Relapsing fever, Rubella, Scarlet fever, Smallpox, Tetanus, Tuberculosis, Typhoid fever, Typhus fever, Viral haemorrhagic fever, Viral hepatitis, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, Whooping cough, Yellow fever.

No other disease will be added to the above list without Our prior written consent.

#### **Outstanding Debit Balances**

The individual amounts owed to **You** by **Your** customers and shown as outstanding in **Your** records, adjustment for bad debts, abnormal trading conditions and debit/credit amounts not passed through **Your** books during the period between the last record and the date of the **Damage**.

#### Rent

The money paid or payable to **You** by tenants for accommodation provided and services rendered at the **Premises**.

#### Cover

In the event that a Premise suffers **Damage** insured under Section 1: Property Damage of the policy occurring during the **Period of Insurance We** will indemnify **You** for:

#### Loss of Rent

(a) the actual amount of the reduction in the **Rent** receivable by **You** during the **Indemnity Period** solely in consequence of the **Damage** less any savings that result from reduced costs and expenses during the same period and less any **Rent** received from the provision of alternative accommodation

#### (b) the Cost of Re-Letting

the legal and other costs necessarily and reasonably incurred with **Our** prior consent during the **Indemnity Period** in re-letting the Buildings solely in consequence of the **Damage** 

#### (c) Increased Cost of Working

the expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred with **Our** prior consent solely in consequence of the **Damage** solely to avoid or minimise the **Loss of Rent** during the **Indemnity Period** but not exceeding the amount of the reduction avoided by such expenditure

#### (d) the Business Rates

the further expenditure including but not limited to business rates payable to public authorities necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You** with **Our** prior consent solely in consequence of the **Damage** which would have been payable by lessees during the **Indemnity Period**.

The maximum amount payable for all losses or series of losses arising directly from the same originating cause in respect of any Item on **Loss of Rent** insured under this Section is:

- 200% of the sum insured for each Item in respect of Rent receivable
- 2. 100% of each other Item as shown in the **Schedule**.

**We** will also indemnify **You** in respect of auditor's fees subject to the sum insured as stated in the **Schedule**.

#### Notes

- 1. To the extent that **You** are accountable to the tax authorities for Value Added Tax all terms in this Section shall be exclusive of such tax
- 2. For the purpose of any Definitions applicable to this Section any adjustment implemented in current cost accounting shall be disregarded
- 3. The undefined words in this Section shall have the meaning usually attached to them in **Your** books and accounts.

#### Limit of Liability

**Our** liability under this Section shall not exceed in the whole the total sum insured or the sum insured in respect of any individual Item or any other Limit of Liability stated in the policy or **Schedule**.

#### Extensions

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### Alternative Residential Accommodation

In the event that **Premises** occupied solely or partially for residential purposes suffer **Damage** resulting in a residential portion of the **Buildings** being uninhabitable or access being prevented this insurance extends to include the reasonable additional cost of similar comparable accommodation for the tenant including temporary furniture storage costs and accommodation for domestic pets until the residential portion is habitable and accessible.

**Our** liability shall not exceed 20% of the **Buildings** sum insured or as otherwise stated in **Your Schedule** applicable to the residential building or residential portion of the building concerned.

#### Buildings Awaiting Sale

If at the time of **Damage You** have contracted to sell **Your** interest in any **Premises** and the sale is cancelled or delayed solely in consequence of the **Damage** the amount payable may at Your option be either:

- (a) during the period prior to the date upon which but for the Damage the Premises would have been sold the Loss of Rent being the actual amount of the reduction in the Rent receivable by You during the Indemnity Period solely in consequence of the Damage
- (b) during the period commencing with the date upon which but for the Damage the Premises would have been sold and ending with the actual date of sale or with the expiry of the Indemnity Period if earlier the loss in respect of interest being:

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- (i) the actual interest incurred on capital borrowed solely to offset in whole or in part the loss of use of the sale proceeds for the purpose of financing the Business
- (ii) the investment interest lost to **You** on any balance of the sale proceeds after deduction of any capital borrowed as provided for under paragraph (i) above less any amount receivable in respect of **Rent**.

This Extension also covers with **Our** consent additional expenditure being the expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred during the **Indemnity Period** in consequence of the **Damage** solely to avoid or minimise the loss payable under (a) and (b) above.

#### Capital Additions

This Section is extended to include **Loss of Rent** receivable in respect of:

- (a) alterations. additions, extensions and/or improvements to the Buildings insured (but not appreciation in value thereof)
- (b) newly acquired and/or newly erected Buildings provided they are not otherwise insured anywhere within the **Territorial Limits**.

Provided that:

- (a) alterations, additions, extensions and/or improvements to the Buildings insured at any one Premises shall not exceed 10% of the total sum insured on Rent receivable or £100,000 whichever is the less
- (b) newly acquired and/or newly erected Buildings at any one Premises shall not exceed £100.000
- (c) You shall advise Us:
  - (i) every 6 months in respect of any such alterations, additions, extensions and improvements
  - (ii) as soon as practicable and in any event within 6 months of any such newly acquired and/or newly erected property.

**You** will pay the appropriate additional premium required from inception of such additional cover and amounts so declared shall be added by endorsement to the sum insured by the relative Item.

#### Compulsory Closure

We will indemnify You for Loss of Rent resulting from Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of compulsory closure by a public body authorised to prevent or restrict access to the **Premises** arising from:

- (a) discovery of a **Notifiable Human Infectious or Contagious Disease** at the **Premises**
- (b) foreign or deleterious matter in food or drink sold, supplied or provided at the Premises
- (c) the occurrence at the **Premises** of murder, manslaughter, suicide or rape
- (d) defective sanitation or the presence of vermin or pests.

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that **You**:

- (i) comply with the requirements of the Health and Safety Commission Approved Code of Practice "The Prevention and Control of Legionellosis" (including Legionaires Disease) or any supplementary, replacement or amending Code of Practice
- (ii) keep records evidencing compliance for **Our** inspection or produce copies of such records immediately on request

For the purpose of this cover the **Maximum Indemnity Period** is restated as 3 months.

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 any one occurrence during the **Period of Insurance** unless otherwise stated in the **Schedule**.

#### **Deeds and Documents**

**We** will indemnify **You** for **Loss of Rent** resulting from Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to plans, deeds, briefs, manuscripts, books, documents and office records whilst temporarily removed from the **Premises** to elsewhere within the **Territorial Limits**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 any one occurrence during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### Loss of Attraction

We will indemnify You for Loss of Rent resulting from interruption or interference with the Business in consequence of Damage to property in the vicinity of the Premises which soley and directly results in:

- (a) a fall in the number of customers attracted to the **Premises** and
- (b) an identifiable reduction in **Your** income at the **Premises**

Excluding any loss:

- (i) during the first 12 hours of the **Indemnity Period**
- (ii) arising from the obstruction of roads, streets or any other rights of way due to weather or climatic conditions

For the purpose of this cover the **Maximum Indemnity Period** is restated as 3 months.

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 in respect of any one occurrence or £250,000 during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### Loss of Book Debts

If **Your** account books or other business books or records whilst on **Your Premises** or temporarily removed to any premises in the **Territorial Limits** sustain **Damage** insured under Section 1: Propety Damage of this policy which results in **Your** inability to trace or establish the **Outstanding Debit Balances We** will pay **You**:

- (a) the difference between the **Outstanding Debit Balances** and the total of the amounts received or traced in respect thereof and
- (b) the additional expenditure incurred with Our consent in tracing and establishing customers debit balances after the Damage.

Provided that if the sum insured stated in the **Schedule** is less than the **Outstanding Debit Balances** the amount payable will be proportionately reduced.

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- erasure or distortion of information on computer systems or other records:
  - (a) due to the presence of a magnetic flux or whilst mounted in or on any machine or data processing apparatus unless caused by **Damage** to said machine or apparatus
  - **(b)** due to defects in such records
- 2. deliberate falsification of business records
- 3. mislaying or misfiling of tapes and records
- 4. the deliberate act of the public supply undertaking in restricting or withholding electricity supply
- wear and tear and gradual deterioration vermin rust damp or mildew or
- **6.** dishonest or fraudulent acts by any of **Your Employees**.

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The maximum **We** will pay will not exceed the amount specified in the **Schedule**.

#### Condition applicable to this Extension

**You** will record the total amount of **Outstanding Debit Balances** at least once every seven days and keep a copy of such records at a place other than at **Your Premises**.

#### Loss of Investment Income

If as a result of **Damage We** are paying an indemnity under this Section and the payment is made later than the date upon which **You** would have normally have expected to receive the **Rent** from the tenant or lessee **We** will pay an amount equivalent to the investment income lost to **You** during the period of delay.

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 any one occurrence during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Managing Agents Premises**

The insurance under this Section extends to include interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** insured under Section 1: Property Damage to property at the **Premises** of any managing agents employed or engaged to collect **Rent** receivable, provided that:

- (a) such **Rent** receivable is not received by **You** as a direct result of the **Damage**
- (b) the Rent receivable is not outstanding for 120 days in excess of its due date prior to the Damage at the managing agents' premises
- (c) all reasonable steps to recover the **Rent** receivable are taken
- (d) such **Rent** receivable is not recoverable under any other policy.

Our liability shall not exceed £50,000 any one occurrence.

#### **Public Utilities**

We will indemnify **You** for **Loss of Rent** resulting from interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to property at any:

- (a) generating station or sub-station of the public electricity supplier
- **(b)** land based premises of the public gas supplier or of any natural gas producer linked directly with them
- (c) land based premises of the public telecommunications supplier or internet service provider
- **(d)** waterworks or pumping station of the public water supplier within the **Territorial Limits** from which **You** obtain electricity, gas or water supplies or telecommunication services excluding:
- (i) the deliberate acts of the supply authority
- drought, atmospheric or weather conditions but this will not exclude failure due to damage to equipment caused by these conditions
- (iii) strikes or any labour or trade dispute.

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 any one occurrence during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### Prevention of Access

The insurance under this Section extends to include interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of:

(a) Damage to property within 1 kilometre of the Premises which prevents or hinders the use of or prevents access to the

**Premises** provided that **We** will not be liable for **Damage** to the property of any public utility from which **You** obtain supplies or services.

- (b) action or advice of any governmental, local authority or other statutory body due to an emergency which is likely to endanger life or property provided that **We** will not be liable for:
  - (i) any incident involving interruption or interference of less than 12 hours
  - (ii) any period other than the actual period of interruption or interference or 3 months, whichever is the lower
  - (iii) any consequences of labour disputes, infectious or contagious disease
  - (iv) Your or the lessees' non-compliance with any action or advice previously given
  - (v) any cause within **Your** control
  - (vi) any interruption or interference arising from the obstruction of roads, streets or any other rights of way due to weather or climatic conditions
  - (vii) any interruption or interference arising from repair or maintenance work being completed on property as a result of inherent defect or wear and tear

Our liability shall not exceed £50,000 unless otherwise stated in the **Schedule**.

#### Rent Free Period

If at the time of **Damage** any **Premises** are subject to a rent free period under the terms of the lease then the **Indemnity Period** will be adjusted by adding the unexpired portion of the rent free period to the number of months shown in the **Schedule**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 any one occurrence during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Unlawful Occupation**

The insurance by this Section extends to include interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of access to or use of the **Premises** being hindered or prevented due to the **Premises** or any property within 250 metres of the **Premises** or any rights of way being:

- (a) occupied by terrorists or persons thought to be terrorists
- (b) unlawfully occupied by third parties except in the course of a dispute between any employer and employee or group of workers
- (c) thought to contain or actually containing a harmful device provided that the police are immediately informed

We shall not be liable for:

- (i) loss arising from any cause within **Your** control
- (ii) loss as a result of physical loss or destruction of or **Damage** to
- (iii) loss which is the direct result of repairs or maintenance being carried out to property as a result of inherent defect or wear and tear
- (iv) any incident involving prevention or hindrance of access to or use of the **Premises** of less than 48 consecutive hours duration.

**Our** liability under this Extension shall not exceed £25,000 unless otherwise stated in the **Schedule**.

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#### **Conditions**

The following conditions apply to this Section in addition to the General Conditions and Claims Conditions at the front of this policy.

#### Alternative Trading

If during the **Indemnity Period** accommodation is provided other than at the **Premises** for the benefit of the **Business** either by **You** or by others on **Your** behalf the money paid or payable in respect of such accommodation will be brought into account in arriving at the **Rent** receivable as applicable during the **Indemnity Period**.

#### Automatic Reinstatement of Sum Insured

Unless there is written notice by **Us** to the contrary in the event of **Damage** under this Section **We** shall automatically reinstate the sum insured provided that **You** undertake to pay the appropriate additional premium.

#### First Financial Year

In the event of **Damage** occurring before the first financial year of the **Business** the results of the **Business** to date of the **Damage** will be used as a basis on which to assess what the **Rent** receivable for the first financial year would have been had the **Damage** not occurred.

#### Payments on Account

In the event of **Damage We** will if requested by **You** make payments on account during the **Indemnity Period**.

#### **Professional Accountants**

**We** will pay under this Section the reasonable charges payable by **You** to professional accountants for producing any particulars or details or any other proofs, information or evidence as may be required by **Us** and reporting that such particulars or details are in accordance with **Your** books of account or other business books or documents provided that the sum of the amount payable under this Extension and the amount otherwise payable under the Section will in no case exceed the maximum amount payable.

#### Renewa

**You** will supply prior to each renewal the Estimated **Rent** receivable for the financial year most closely corresponding to the following **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Exclusions**

The following exclusions apply to this Section in addition to the General Exclusions at the front of this policy.

We shall not be liable under this Section for:

1. any interruption of or interference with the **Business** not caused by **Damage** other than as described in Extensions - Compulsory Closure and Unlawful Occupation.

# Section 3: Employers' Liability

## Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions apply to this Section in addition to the General Definitions at the front of this policy and keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### **Bodily Injury**

Death, injury, illness, disease or shock.

#### Compensation

Damages including interest.

#### Costs and Expenses

- (a) Claimants' legal costs for which You are legally liable
- **(b)** All costs and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent in defending any claim
- (c) The solicitor's fees incurred with **Our** written consent for representation at proceedings in any court of summary jurisdiction in respect of any alleged act causing or relating to any occurrence which may be the subject of indemnity under this Section or at any coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry.

#### Offshore Installation

Any:

- (a) installation in the sea or tidal waters which is intended for underwater exploitation of mineral resources or exploration with a view to such exploitation
- **(b)** installation in the sea or tidal waters which is intended for the storage or recovery of gas or generation of electricity
- (c) pipe or system of pipes in the sea or tidal waters
- (d) accommodation installation for persons who work on or from the locations specified above

#### Cover

We will indemnify You against:

- legal liability to pay Compensation to any Employee and
- 2. Costs and Expenses

in respect of **Bodily Injury** caused in the course of the **Business**:

- (a) during the Period of Insurance
- (b) within the Territorial Limits
- (c) elsewhere in the world in respect of any journey or temporary visit in connection with the **Business** by **You** or any of **Your** directors, partners or Employees normally resident within the **Territorial Limits**.

#### Limit of Liability

**Our** Liability to pay **Compensation** and **Costs and Expenses** in respect of any one claim or series of claims against **You** arising out of one original cause shall not exceed the Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule**.

#### **Extensions**

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) legal costs and expenses incurred with  $\mathbf{Our}$  prior written consent and
- (b) prosecution costs awarded against You in the defence of criminal proceedings including an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 as a result of any death to an Employee happening in connection with the Business during the Period of Insurance and which may be the subject of payment under this Section provided that:
  - Our liability will not exceed £1,000,000 during any one Period of Insurance
  - (ii) all amounts payable under this Extension will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule
  - (iii) where **We** have already provided a payment in respect of any legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 arising out of the same occurrence which give rise to such proceedings any amount paid or payable by **Us** will be deducted from the amount payable under this Section
  - (iv) We agreed in writing to the appointment of any solicitor or counsel who is to act on Your behalf prior to their appointment.

We will not be liable for:

- (a) any fines or penalties or the cost of implementing any remedial order or publicity order
- (b) an appeal against any fines penalties remedial order or publicity order
- (c) any costs incurred which result from the failure to comply with any remedial order or publicity order
- (d) costs and expenses in connection with any appeal unless advice has been obtained from solicitors or counsel approved by **Us** that there are strong prospects of success
- (e) costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings resulting from any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission by You or any other director, partner or Employee of Yours
- (f) costs and expenses provided by any other source or any other insurance or where but for the existence of this Extension would have been provided by such source or insurance
- (g) costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country outside the **Territorial Limits**.

#### Court Attendance Compensation

**We** will pay **You** the daily rates stated below if any of the following are required to attend court as a witness at **Our** request:

- (a) You, any director or business partner £500
- (b) any Employee £250

# Section 3: Employers' Liability

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#### Cross Liabilities

Where there is more than one person named as the **Policyholder** in the **Schedule** this Section will apply separately to each named person as if each is insured by a separate policy, provided always that **Our** maximum liability in the aggregate for damages to all parties insured will not exceed the Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule**.

#### Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

We will indemnify You and at Your request, any director, partner or Employee against legal costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent in the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in respect of a breach of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 or similar legislation in Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, committed or alleged to have been committed during the Period of Insurance, including legal costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent in an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings.

We will not be liable for:

- (a) fines or penalties of any kind
- (b) proceedings or appeals in respect of any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission
- (c) costs and expenses insured by any other policy.

#### **Indemnity to Other Persons**

We will at Your request indemnify:

- (a) any of Your directors, partners or Employees
- (b) any officer, committee member or other person employed by Your catering, social, sports, educational or welfare organisations or first-aid, medical, ambulance, fire or security services
- (c) any director, partner or official for whom with **Your** consent an **Employee** is undertaking private work
- (d) any principal or public or local authority as far as is necessary to meet the requirements of any contract or agreement entered into by **You** for the performance of work
- (e) the owner of plant hired by You but only to the extent of the conditions of hire
- (f) any legal representative of any of the above in the event of their death

for amounts which they are legally liable in respect of which **You** would have been entitled to payment under this policy if the claim had been made against **You** provided that:

- (i) any person is not entitled to be paid under any other insurance
- (ii) any person will observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms and conditions of the policy as far as they can apply
- (iii) We will retain the sole conduct and control of any claim
- (iv) the total amount We will pay for damages to You and any such persons will not exceed the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule.

#### **Unsatisfied Court Judgements**

If any **Employee** or their personal representative obtains a judgment from a court within the **Territorial Limits** for damages for **Bodily Injury** against any company or individual operating from premises within the **Territorial Limits** and that judgment remains unpaid in whole or in part for more than six months after the date of the award **We** will pay at **Your** request the amount of any unpaid damages and awarded costs to the **Employee** or their personal representative.

Provided that:

- (a) the Bodily Injury:
  - (i) is caused during the **Period of Insurance**
  - (ii) arises out of and in the course of employment in the Business
- (b) there is no appeal outstanding
- (c) if a payment is made the **Employee** or their personal representative will assign the judgment to **Us**.

#### **Conditions**

The following Conditions apply to this Section, in addition to the General Conditions and Claims Conditions at the front of this policy.

#### Certificate of Employers' Liability Insurance

If this policy or this Section is cancelled then any Certificate of Employers' Liability insurance issued by  $\bf Us$  is deemed to be cancelled at the same time.

#### Discharge of Liability

We may at any time pay to You in connection with any claim or series of claims:

- (a) the amount of the Limit of Liability or
- (b) any lesser amount for which such claim or claims can be settled less any sum or sums already paid as **Compensation**

On payment **We** shall relinquish the conduct and control of and be under no further liability in connection with such claim or claims except for the payment of **Costs and Expenses** incurred prior to the date of such payment.

#### Our Right of Recovery

The insurance provided by this Section is deemed to be in accordance with any law relating to compulsory insurance or liability to **Employees** whilst employed in the **Territorial Limits** but **You** will repay to **Us** all sums paid by **Us** which **We** would not have been liable to pay but for the provisions of such law.

#### **Exclusions**

The following exclusions apply to this section in addition to the General Exclusions at the front of this policy.

We will not be liable under this Section in respect of:

- 1. **Bodily Injury** to any **Employee** arising out of the ownership possession or use by or on **Your** behalf of any mechanically propelled vehicle or trailer if liability is required by any road traffic legislation to be the subject of compulsory insurance or other security
- Bodily Injury to any Employee working in or on any
   Offshore Installation or any support vessel for any
   Offshore Installation or whilst in transit to or from any
   Offshore Installation or support vessel.
- Fines, penalties or liquidated, punitive or exemplary damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages or other non-compensatory damages.

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions apply to this Section in addition to the General Definitions at the front of this policy and keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### **Asbestos**

Asbestos, asbestos fibres or any derivatives of asbestos.

#### **Bodily Injury**

Death, injury, illness, disease or shock.

#### Compensation

Damages including interest.

#### Costs and Expenses

- (a) Claimants' legal costs for which You are legally liable
- (b) All costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent in defending any claim
- (c) The solicitor's fees incurred with Our written consent for representation at proceedings in any court of summary jurisdiction in respect of any alleged act causing or relating to any occurrence which may be the subject of indemnity under this Section or at any coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry.

#### Financial Loss

A pecuniary loss suffered by any tenant of **Yours** and not caused by **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** to material property.

#### Offshore Installation

Any:

- (a) installation in the sea or tidal waters which is intended for underwater exploitation of mineral resources or exploration with a view to such exploitation
- **(b)** installation in the sea or tidal waters which is intended for the storage or recovery of gas or generation of electricity
- (c) pipe or system of pipes in the sea or tidal waters
- (d) accommodation installation for persons who work on or from the locations specified above

#### **Products**

Any goods, including containers, packaging, labelling and instructions for use, sold, supplied, processed, delivered, installed, tested, repaired, serviced, altered, treated or hired out by **You** in connection with the **Business** and no longer in **Your** possession or control.

#### Cover

We will indemnify You against:

**1.** legal liability to pay **Compensation** and

#### 2. Costs and Expenses

in respect of:

- (a) accidental **Bodily Injury** to any person
- (b) accidental **Damage** to material property
- (c) accidental nuisance or trespass, obstruction, loss of amenities or interference with any right of way, light, air or water

- (d) wrongful arrest, detention, imprisonment or eviction of any person, malicious prosecution or invasion of the right of privacy occurring in connection with the **Business**:
- (i) during the Period of Insurance
- (ii) within the Territorial Limits
- (iii) elsewhere in the world in respect of any journey or temporary visit in connection with the Business by You or any of Your directors, partners or Employees normally resident within the Territorial Limits, provided such journey or visit is not for the purpose of performing manual work.

#### Limit of Liability

**Our** liability to pay **Compensation** in respect of any one claim or series of claims against **You** arising out of one original cause shall not exceed the Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule**.

Where indemnity is provided for liability in respect of claims brought in the United States of America or Canada or their dependencies or trust territories the Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule** shall be the maximum amount payable by **Us** inclusive of all **Costs and Expenses**.

#### **Extensions**

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### Contingent Motor Liability

Section Exclusion 2(c) shall not apply to liability arising out of the use of any vehicle in the course of the **Business** anywhere within the **Territorial Limits** provided **We** will not be liable for:

- (a) Damage to such vehicle or to goods being carried
- **(b)** for **Bodily Injury** to any person or loss of property arising while the vehicle is being driven by **You** or by any person who to **Your** knowledge does not hold a licence to drive such vehicle
- **(c)** in respect of liability more specifically insured under any other insurance.

#### Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) legal costs and expenses incurred with **Our** prior written consent and prosecution costs awarded against **You** in the defence of criminal proceedings including an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 as a result of any death happening in connection with the **Business** during the **Period of Insurance** and which may be the subject of payment under this Section provided that:
  - (i) Our liability will not exceed £1,000,000 during any one Period of Insurance
  - (ii) all amounts payable under this Extension will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule
  - (iii) where **We** have already provided a payment in respect of any legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 arising out of the same occurrence which give rise to such proceedings any amount paid or payable by **Us** will be deducted from the amount payable under this Section

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(iv) We agreed in writing to the appointment of any solicitor or counsel who is to act on Your behalf prior to their appointment.

We will not be liable for:

- (a) any fines or penalties or the cost of implementing any remedial order or publicity order
- (b) an appeal against any fines penalties remedial order or publicity order
- (c) any costs incurred which result from the failure to comply with any remedial order or publicity order
- (d) costs and expenses in connection with any appeal unless advice has been obtained from solicitors or counsel approved by Us that there are strong prospects of success
- (e) costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings resulting from any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission by You or any other director, partner or Employee of Yours
- (f) costs and expenses provided by any other source or any other insurance or where but for the existence of this Extension would have been provided by such source or insurance
- (g) costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country outside the Territorial Limits.

#### Court Attendance Compensation

**We** will pay **You** the daily rates stated below if any of the following are required to attend court as a witness at **Our** request:

- (a) You, any director or business partner £500
- (b) any Employee £250

#### Cross Liabilities

Where there is more than one person named as the **Policyholder** in the **Schedule** this Section will apply separately to each named person as if each is insured by a separate policy, provided always that **Our** maximum liability in the aggregate for damages to all parties insured will not exceed the Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule**.

#### **Defective Premises Act 1972**

**We** will indemnify **You** in respect of liability incurred by **You** under the terms of the Defective Premises Act 1972 or the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 in connection with any business premises or land which have been disposed of by **You**.

We will not be liable:

- (a) for the cost of repairing or rectifying any defect or alleged defect in such buildings
- (b) in respect of liability more specifically insured under any other insurance.

#### Financial Loss

**We** will indemnify **You** in respect of liability for **Financial Loss** as a direct result of **Your** failure to provide any Property or service in connection with Property Insured under Section 1: Property Damage of this policy.

This indemnity only applies to claims first made against **You** during the **Period of Insurance** or within 30 days of its expiry.

We will not be liable for:

(a) liability for circumstances known to **You** or any occurrence happening before the inception date of this policy

- (b) any act of fraud or dishonesty or insolvency, financial default, conspiracy, conversion, deceit, intimidation or inducement of breach of contract or injurious falsehood
- (c) liability arising out of or in connection with the passing off of any intellectual property rights
- (d) libel, slander or defamation
- (e) liability under the Data Protection Act 1998 or any subsequent amending legislation
- (f) any costs of or the reduction in value of any property or work carried out by You or on Your behalf
- (g) the failure or partial failure of any managing agent to fulfil their obligations under any contract
- (h) any consequence whatsoever directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to or arising from
  - (i) the presence
  - (ii) the release
  - of **Asbestos** including any product containing **Asbestos**.
- (i) the first £1,000 or 10%, whichever is the greater, of the total value of **Your** claim

Provided that **Our** liability in respect of all claims made against **You** during any one **Period of Insurance** including **Costs and Expenses** shall not exceed £50,000.

#### General Data Protection Regulations

**We** will indemnify **You** in respect of legal liability under Article 82 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (the "General Data Protection Regulation" or the "GDPR") and the equivalent provision under the Data protection Act 2018 (all as amended, updated or re-enacted from time to time), in connection with personal data (as defined in the Regulation) processed by **You** provided that **We** will not be liable for:

- (a) the payment of fines and penalties
- (b) the cost of replacing reinstating rectifying or erasing any personal data.

Our liability shall not exceed £1,000,000 or the Limit of Indemnity shown in the Schedule, whichever is the lower, during any one Period of Insurance inclusive of costs and expenses.

#### Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

We will indemnify You and at Your request, any director, partner or Employee against legal costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent in the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in respect of a breach of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 or similar legislation in Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, committed or alleged to have been committed during the Period of Insurance, including legal costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent in an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings.

We will not be liable for:

- (a) fines or penalties of any kind
- **(b)** proceedings or appeals in respect of any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission
- (c) costs and expenses insured by any other policy

#### **Indemnity to Other Persons**

We will at Your request indemnify:

- (a) any of Your directors, partners or Employees
- (b) any officer, committee member or other person employed by Your catering, social, sports, educational or welfare

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- organisations or first-aid, medical, ambulance, fire or security services
- (c) any director, partner or official for whom with **Your** consent an **Employee** is undertaking private work
- (d) any principal or public or local authority as far as is necessary to meet the requirements of any contract or agreement entered into by **You** for the performance of work
- (e) the owner of plant hired by You but only to the extent of the conditions of hire any legal representative of any of the above in the event of their death for amounts which they are legally liable in respect of which You would have been entitled to payment under this policy if the claim had been made against You provided that:
  - any person is not entitled to be paid under any other insurance
  - (ii) any person will observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms and conditions of the policy as far as they can apply
  - (iii) We will retain the sole conduct and control of any claim
  - (iv) the total amount We will pay for damages to You and any such persons will not exceed the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule.

#### Legionellosis

We will indemnify You for claims made during the Period of Insurance or within 30 days after the expiry of the Period of Insurance arising from the discharge, release or escape of Legionella bacteria from water tanks, water systems, air conditioning plants or cooling towers at the Premises provided that:

- (a) the total amount **We** will pay in the aggregate for any one occurrence or series of occurrences will not exceed £1,000,000
- **(b)** all amounts payable under this Extension will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule**

It is a condition precedent **Our** liability that **You**:

- (a) comply with the requirements of the Health and Safety Commission Approved Code of Practice "The Prevention and Control of Legionellosis" (including Legionnaires Disease) or any supplementary, replacement or amending Code of Practice
- (b) keep records evidencing compliance for our inspection or produce copies of such records immediately on request.

#### Libel and Slander

We will indemnify You for claims made during the Period of Insurance arising from any act of libel or slander committed in good faith by You during the Period of Insurance in the course of the Business provided that Our liability will apply solely to Your in house publications including websites and trade publications.

Our liability will not exceed £25,000 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### **Obstructing Vehicles**

We will indemnify You for liability You become legally liable to pay for the movement by You or any Employee of any motor vehicle which causes an obstruction to the extent of carrying out the Business provided that such movement will be limited to the shortest period necessary.

We will not be liable for:

- (a) Damage to any motor vehicle or to goods being carried
- (b) liability arising outside the Territorial Limits

(c) any claim for Bodily Injury or Damage in circumstances in respect of which insurance or security is necessary to meet the requirements of road traffic legislation.

#### Overseas Personal Liability

We will indemnify You or at Your request any director or partner or any Employee or spouse of such person in respect of any amount for which they will be legally liable incurred in a personal capacity whilst temporarily outside the Territorial Limits in connection with the Business.

Provided that this indemnity shall not apply:

- (a) ownership or occupation of land and Buildings
- **(b)** in respect of liability more specifically insured under any other insurance.

#### **Conditions**

The following Conditions apply to this Section, in addition to the General Conditions and Claims Conditions at the front of this policy.

#### Discharge of Liability

**We** may at any time pay to **You** in connection with any claim or series of claims:

- (a) the amount of the Limit of Liability or
- **(b)** any lesser amount for which such claim or claims can be settled less any sum or sums already paid as **Compensation**.

On payment **We** shall relinquish the conduct and control of and be under no further liability in connection with such claim or claims except for the payment of **Costs and Expenses** incurred prior to the date of such payment.

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#### **Exclusions**

The following exclusions apply to this section in addition to the General Exclusions at the front of this policy.

We will not be liable under this Section in respect of:

- Bodily Injury to any Employee arising out of and in the course of their employment in the Business
- 2. **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** arising from the ownership possession or use by **You** or on **Your** behalf of:
  - (a) any aircraft, aerospatial device, hovercraft or watercraft other than hand propelled watercraft and other watercraft not exceeding 7 metres in length
  - (b) any lift, elevator, hoist, crane, steam boiler or other apparatus operating under steam pressure, for which a statutory inspection certificate is required but which is not in force
  - (c) any mechanically propelled vehicle or plant or trailer attached in circumstances in respect of which insurance or security is necessary to meet the requirements of road traffic legislation other than as insured under the Contingent Motor Liability Extension of this Section
- 3. Damage to property owned by or leased, hired or rented to **You** other than:
  - (a) personal effects including motor vehicles and their contents belonging to any director partner Employee guest or visitor of Yours
  - (b) premises temporarily occupied by **You** for the purposes of undertaking work in connection with the **Business**
  - (c) premises (including its fixtures and fittings) leased hired or rented to **You** provided that **We** will not be liable in respect of liability assumed by **You** under a tenancy or other agreement which would not have attached in the absence of such agreement
- **4.** a contract unless legal liability would have attached to **You** in the absence of such contract
- 5. **Products** other than:
  - (a) food or beverages for consumption on the **Premises** by **Your** directors, partners, **Employees** or visitors
  - (b) the disposal of furniture and office equipment originally intended solely for use by You in connection with the Business and which is no longer required for that purpose
- **6. Damage** to **Products** or the cost of making good or recalling such Products or the cost of rectifying defective work
- 7. Damage to property which You or any of Your Employees are or have been working on
- **8.** fines, penalties or liquidated, punitive or exemplary damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages or other non-compensatory damages.
- **9.** liability arising from or caused by the provision of advice or any plan, design, formula or specification given separately for a fee or for which a fee is normally charged

- 10. liability in respect of Pollution or Contamination other than that caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during any one Period of Insurance provided that:
  - (a) all **Pollution or Contamination** which arises out of any one incident shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place
  - (b) Our liability for all Compensation payable in respect of all Pollution or Contamination which is deemed to have occurred during any one Period of Insurance shall not exceed in the aggregate the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule
- 11. liability arising in connection with any visits to or work on any Offshore Installation or any support vessel for any Offshore Installation or whilst in transit to or from any Offshore Installation or support vessel
- **12.** (α) exposure to
  - (b) inhalation of
  - (c) fears of the consequences of exposure to or inhalation of
  - (d) the costs incurred by anyone in repairing removing replacing recalling rectifying reinstating or managing

(including those of any persons under any statutory duty to manage) any property arising out of the presence of **Asbestos** including any products containing Asbestos.

**13.** the Excess stated in the Schedule.

## Section 5: Terrorism

## Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions apply to this Section in addition to the General Definitions at the front of this policy and keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### Act of Terrorism

Acts of persons acting on behalf of, or in connection with, any organisation which carries out activities directed towards the overthrowing or influencing, by force or violence, of Her Majesty's government in the United Kingdom or any other government de jure or de facto.

#### **Computer Systems**

A computer or other equipment or component or system or item which processes stores transmits or receives **Data**.

#### Consequential Loss

Loss resulting from interruption of or interference with the **Business** carried on by **You** at the **Premises** in consequence of **Damage** to property used by **You** at the **Premises** for the purpose of the **Business**.

#### Damage

Loss or destruction of or damage.

#### Data

Data of any sort whatever, including without limitation tangible or intangible data, and any programs or software, bandwidth, cryptographic keys, databases, documents, domain names or network addresses or anything similar, files, interfaces, metadata, platforms, processing capability, storage media, transaction gateways, user credentials, websites, or any information whatever.

#### Denial of Service Attack

Any actions or instructions constructed or generated with the ability to **Damage**, interfere with or otherwise affect the availability or performance of networks, network services, network connectivity or **Computer Systems**. Denial of Service Attacks include, but are not limited to, the generation of excess traffic into network addresses, the exploitation of system or network weaknesses, the generation of excess or non-genuine traffic between and amongst networks and the procurement of such actions or instructions by other **Computer Systems**.

#### **Event**

All individual losses arising in respect of a continuous period of 72 hours of which the proximate cause is the same **Act of Terrorism**.

The date and time that any such period of 72 hours shall commence shall be set by  ${\bf U}{\bf s}$ .

#### Hacking

Unauthorised access to any **Computer System**, whether **Your** property or not.

#### **Nuclear Installation**

Any installation of such class or description as may be prescribed by regulations made by the relevant Secretary of State from time to time by statutory instrument, being an installation designed or adapted for:

- (a) the production or use of atomic energy:
- (b) the carrying out of any process which is preparatory or ancillary to the production or use of atomic energy and which involves or is capable of causing the emission of ionising radiations; or
- (c) the storage, processing or disposal of nuclear fuel or of bulk quantities of other radioactive matter, being matter which has been produced or irradiated in the course of the production or use of nuclear fuel.

#### **Nuclear Reactor**

Any plant (including any machinery, equipment or appliance, whether affixed to land or not) designed or adapted for the production of atomic energy by a fission process in which a controlled chain reaction can be maintained without an additional source of neutrons.

#### Phishing

Any access or attempted access to **Data** made by means of misrepresentation or deception.

#### Territorial Limits

England and Wales and Scotland but not the territorial seas adjacent thereto as defined by the Territorial Seas Act 1987.

This shall include the Channel Tunnel up to the frontier with the Republic of France, as set out by the Treaty of Canterbury.

#### Virus or Similar Mechanism

Program code, programming instruction or any set of instructions constructed with the purpose and ability, or purposely used, to **Damage**, interfere with, adversely affect, infiltrate or monitor computer programs, **Computer Systems**, **Data** or operations, whether involving self-replication or not. The definition of Virus or Similar Mechanism includes but is not limited to trojan horses worms and logic bombs and the exploitation of bugs or vulnerabilities in a computer program to **Damage**, interfere with, adversely affect, infiltrate or monitor as above.

#### Cover

We will pay for **Damage** to property within the **Territorial Limits** or **Consequential Loss** arising from an **Act of Terrorism**.

Cover is applicable to the following Sections when shown within **Your Schedule**: Section 1: Property Damage and Section 2: Loss of Rent.

#### **Basis of Settlement**

The most **We** will pay for any one **Event** and in total in any one **Period of Insurance** will not exceed:

- (a) the total sum insured, or
- (b) for each item its individual sum insured, or
- (c) any other limit of liability

whichever is the less as stated within the applicable Sections shown in the Terrorism Section of **Your Schedule**.

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#### Maximum Period

The **Period of Insurance** provided by this Section shall be to a maximum of 12 months from the Effective Date or Renewal Date of this policy.

Any subsequent period of cover of 12 months, or part thereof, provided by this Section shall be deemed to constitute a separate **Period of Insurance**, provided that:

- (a) no subsequent Period of Insurance by this Section shall extend beyond the next Renewal Date of this policy, and
- (b) the renewal premium due in respect of this Section has been paid by You and received by Us.

#### **Conditions**

It is agreed that:

- (a) in any action, suit or other proceedings where We allege that any Damage or Consequential Loss is not covered by this policy the burden of proving that such Damage or Consequential Loss is covered shall be upon You
- (b) any long term agreement in place is not applicable to Terrorism
- (c) this Section is:
  - (i) not subject to any of the Exclusions specified elsewhere in this policy other than those stated in the Exclusions below
  - (ii) subject to all the other terms, limits of liability, definitions, provisos and conditions of this policy (including but not limited to any Excess or deductible to be borne by You) except as expressly varied hereby.

#### **Exclusions**

This Section does not cover **Damage** or **Consequential Loss** directly or indirectly:

- caused by or contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from riot, civil commotion, war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power
- **2.** caused by contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from:
  - (a) Damage to any Computer System or
  - (b) any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure or corruption of Data in each case whether Your property or not, where such loss is directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to, by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from Virus or Similar Mechanism or Hacking or Phishing or Denial of Service Attack.

This Exclusion shall not apply in respect of:

- (i) Damage which itself results directly (or, solely as regards to (ii) (c) below, indirectly) from fire, explosion, flood, escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe (including any sprinkler system), impact of aircraft or any aerial devices or articles dropped from them, impact of any sea-going or water-going vessel or of any vehicle whatsoever or of any goods or cargo carried in or on such vessel or vehicle, Damage to or movement of buildings or structures, plant or machinery other than any Computer System; and
- (ii) comprises:
  - (a) the cost of reinstatement, replacement or repair in respect of **Damage** to **Your** Property; or
  - (b) Consequential Loss as a direct result of Damage to Your Property or as a direct result of denial, prevention or hindrance of access to or use of the Premises by reason of an Act of Terrorism causing Damage to other Property within one mile of the Premises to which access is affected; or
  - (c) the amount of loss caused by the cancellation, abandonment, postponement, interruption, curtailment or relocation of an event as a result of **Damage** to **Your** Property and any additional costs or charges reasonably and necessarily paid by **You** to avoid or diminish such loss

and

(iii) is not proximately caused by an Act of Terrorism in relation to which the relevant organization or any persons acting on behalf of or in connection with that organization are controlled by, acting on behalf of or part of any de jure or de facto government of any nation, country or state.

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The meaning of Property for the purposes of this Exclusion shall exclude:

- (a) money, currency, electronic cryptographic or virtual currency including Bitcoin or anything similar, negotiable or non-negotiable instruments, financial securities or any other financial instrument of any sort whatever; and
- (b) any Data.

Notwithstanding the exclusion of **Data We** will pay **Consequential Loss**:

- (a) directly resulting from **Damage** to Property to the extent that such **Damage** within the meaning of sub-paragraph 2. (ii) directly results from any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure or corruption of Data
- (b) as a result of an occurrence of one or more of the events referred to in sub-paragraph 2. (i) results directly or indirectly from any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure or corruption of Data

In no other circumstances will any loss or losses directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure or corruption of Data be covered by this Section.

- 3. In respect of:
  - (a) any Nuclear Installation or Nuclear Reactor and all fixtures and fittings situated thereon and attached thereto and all pipes wires cables drains or other conduits or service media of any description which are affixed or connected to or in any way serve such Nuclear Installation or Nuclear Reactor
  - (b) any property not being a block of flats which is insured in the name of a private individual and is occupied by that individual for residential purposes

#### Other than:

- (i) flats and houses insured by trustees and sole traders provided they do not occupy any part of the premises as their own private residence
- (ii) properties which comprise mixed residential and commercial use provided the commercial element exceeds 20 %
- (c) any property which is insured by or would but for the existence of this policy be insured by any form of transit or aviation or marine policy
- (d) bankers blanket bonds
- (e) any other type of property which is specifically excluded elsewhere in this policy.

#### Welcome to DAS

The insurance provided under this Section is administered and underwritten by DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited ('DAS'). The legal advice service is provided by DAS Law Limited and/ or a **Preferred Law Firm** on behalf of **DAS**.

For the purposes of this Section only this insurance is a contract between  $\bf You$  and  $\bf DAS$ .

To make sure that **You** get the most from **Your DAS** cover, please take time to read this Section which explains the insurance cover and additional services available to **You**.

#### Helping You with Your Legal Problems

If **You** wish to speak to **Our** legal teams about a legal problem, please phone **Us** on **0117 934 0192**. **We** will ask **You** about **Your** legal issue and if necessary call back to give legal advice.

#### Making a Claim

If **Your** issue cannot be dealt with through legal advice and needs to be dealt with as a potential claim under this Section, phone **Us** on **0117 934 0192**, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Have **Your** policy number ready and **We**'ll ask **You** about **Your** claim. **We** will asses the claim to check **Your** claim is covered by this section and, if it is, **We** will send it to a lawyer who specialises in **Your** type of claim. The lawyer will assess **Your** case and tell **You** how likely it is **You** will win. If **You** are more likely than not to win, the lawyer will manage the case from start to finish.

Please do not ask for help from a lawyer, accountant or anyone else before **We** have agreed that **You** should do so. If **You** do, **We** will not pay the costs involved even if **We** accept the claim.

#### **Employment Manual**

The DAS Employment Manual offers comprehensive, up to date guidance on employment law. To view it, please visit www.dasinsurance.co.uk/employment-manual. If **You**'d like notifications of when updates are made to the Employment Manual, please email **Us** at employmentmanual@das.co.uk quoting **Your** policy number.

#### DAS Business Law

Visit **www.dasbusinesslaw.co.uk** to access the free online law guide and download legal documents to help **Your Business**.

Developed by solicitors and tailored by **You** using **Our** smart document builders **You** can create ready-to-sign contracts, agreements and letters in minutes. **You** can also buy legal documents from the site, ranging from simple debt recovery letters to employment contracts.

Register using the voucher code DAS472301 to gain access to a range of free documents.

#### **Definitions**

The following Definitions apply to this Section in addition to the General Definitions at the front of this policy and keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### **Appointed Representative**

The **Preferred Law Firm**, law firm, tax consultancy, accountant or other suitably qualified person **We** will appoint to act on the **Insured Person's** behalf.

#### Costs and Expenses

- (a) All reasonable and necessary costs chargeable by the Appointed Representative and agreed by Us in accordance with the DAS Standard Terms of Appointment
- (b) The costs incurred by opponents in civil cases if the **Insured**Person has been ordered to pay them, or the **Insured Person**pays them with **Our** agreement.

#### Countries Covered

- (a) For insured incidents Legal Defence (excluding 5. Statutory Notice Appeals), and Personal Injury:
  - The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the European Union, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Albania, Andorra, Bosnia Herzegovina, Gibraltar, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Macedonia, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland and Turkey
- (b) For all other insured incidents:
  - The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

#### DAS Standard Terms of Appointment

The terms and conditions (including the amount We will pay to an **Appointed Representative**) that apply to the relevant type of claim, which could include a conditional fee agreement (no win, no fee). Where a law firm is acting as an **Appointed Representative** the amount is currently £100 per hour. This amount may vary from time to time

#### Date of Occurrence

- (a) For civil cases (other than under insured incident Tax Protection), the date of the event that leads to a claim. If there is more than one event arising at different times from the same originating cause, the **Date of Occurrence** is the date of the first of these events. (This is the date the event happened, which may be before the date **You** or an **Insured Person** first became aware of it.)
- **(b)** For criminal cases, the date the **Insured Person** began, or is alleged to have begun to break the law
- (c) For insured incident Tax Protection, the date when HM Revenue & Customs, or the relevant authority, first notifies You of its intention to carry out an enquiry. For VAT Dispute or Employer Compliance Disputes, the date the dispute arises during the Period of Insurance following the issue of an assessment, written decision or notice of a civil penalty
- (d) For insured incident Legal Defence 5. Statutory Notice Appeals, the date when the **Insured Person** is issued with the relevant notice and has the right to appeal.

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#### **Employer Compliance Dispute**

A dispute with HM Revenue & Customs concerning **Your** compliance with Pay As You Earn, Social Security, Construction Industry or IR35 legislation and regulations.

#### **Insured Person**

- (a) You and the directors, partners, managers, Employees and any other individuals declared to Us by You.
- (b) A person contracted to work for You who works for You on the same basis as Your employees, and performs that work under Your supervision and direction

#### Period of Insurance

The period for which **We** have agreed to cover the **Insured Person**.

#### Preferred Law Firm

A law firm, barrister or tax expert **We** choose to provide legal or other services. These specialists are chosen as they have the proven expertise to deal with the **Insured Person's** claim and must comply with **Our** agreed service standard levels, which **We** audit regularly. They are appointed according to the **DAS Standard Terms of Appointment**.

#### Reasonable Prospects

- (a) For civil cases, the prospects that the Insured Person will recover losses or damages or a reduction in tax or National Insurance liabilities (or obtain any other legal remedy that We have agreed to, including an enforcement of judgment), make a successful defence must be at least 51%. A Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy on Our behalf, will assess whether there are reasonable prospects
- **(b)** For criminal cases there is no requirement for there to be prospects of a successful outcome
- (c) For civil and criminal appeals the prospects of a successful outcome must be at least 51 %

#### Tax Enquiry

A written notice of enquiry, issued by HM Revenue & Customs, to carry out an Income Tax or Corporation Tax compliance check which either:

- (a) includes a request to examine any aspect of Your books and records; or
- (b) advises of a check of Your whole tax return.

#### **VAT Dispute**

A dispute with HM Revenue & Customs following the issue of an assessment, written decision or notice of a civil penalty relating to **Your** VAT affairs.

#### We, Us, Our, DAS

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited.

#### Our Agreement

**We** agree to provide the insurance described in this Section for **You** (or where specified, the **Insured Person**) in respect of any insured incident arising in connection with the **Business** shown in the **Schedule**, in return for payment of the premium and subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations set out in this Section provided that:

- (a) Reasonable Prospects exist for the duration of the claim
- **(b)** the **Date of Occurrence** of the insured incident is during the **Period of Insurance**, or
- (c) during the currency of a previous equivalent legal expenses insurance policy, provided that:
  - the previous legal expenses insurance policy required You to report claims during its currency
  - (ii) You could not have notified a claim previously as You could not have reasonably been aware of the insured incident
  - (iii) cover has been continuously maintained in force
  - (iv) any claim that should have been covered under a previously operative legal expenses insurance policy will not be covered by **Us**
  - (v) the available limit of indemnity shall be limited to the lesser of the sums payable under this or Your previous policy
- (d) any legal proceedings will be dealt with by a court, or other body which We agree to, within the Countries Covered, and
- (e) the insured incident happens within the Countries Covered.

#### What We will pay

We will pay an **Appointed Representative**, on **Your** behalf, **Costs and Expenses** incurred following an insured incident, and any compensation awards that **We** have agreed to, provided that:

- 1. the most **We** will pay for all claims resulting from one or more event arising at the same time or from the same originating cause is shown as the Limit of Liability in the policy **Schedule**
- 2. the most **We** will pay in **Costs and Expenses** is no more than the amount **We** would have paid to a **Preferred Law Firm** or tax consultancy. The amount **We** will pay a law firm (where acting as an **Appointed Representative**) is currently £100 per hour. This amount may vary from time to time
- 3. in respect of an appeal or the defence of an appeal, You must tell Us as soon as possible and within the time limits allowed that You want to appeal. Before We pay the Costs and Expenses for appeals, We must agree that Reasonable Prospects exist
- 4. for an enforcement of judgment to recover money and interest due to You after a successful claim under this Section We must agree that Reasonable Prospects exist
- 5. where an award of damages is the only legal remedy to a dispute and the cost of pursuing legal action is likely to be more than any award of damages, the most **We** will pay in **Costs and Expenses** is the value of the likely award, and
- 6. in respect of insured incident Legal Defence 6. Jury Service and Court Attendance the maximum We will pay is the Insured Person's net salary or wages for the time that the Insured Person is attending court or tribunal, less any amount You, the court or tribunal pays.

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#### What We will not pay

- In the event of a claim, if You decide not to use the services of a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy, You will be responsible for any costs that fall outside the DAS Standard Terms of Appointment and these will not be paid by Us.
- If You are registered for VAT We will not pay the VAT element of any Costs and Expenses.

#### **Insured Incidents**

#### Legal Defence

**Costs and Expenses** to defend the **Insured Person's** legal rights (provided that for each of the following sections of Legal Defence cover 1 -6 **You** request **Us** to provide cover for the **Insured Person**.):

#### 1. Criminal Pre-Proceedings Cover

Prior to the issue of legal proceedings, when dealing with the Police, Health and Safety Executive and/or Local Authority Health and Safety Enforcement Officer where it is alleged that the **Insured Person** has or may have committed a criminal offence.

We will not pay for any claim relating to:

- any criminal investigation or enquiry by, with or on behalf of HM Revenue & Customs
- 2. investigations due to alleged infringement of road traffic laws or regulations in connection with the ownership, driving or use of a motor vehicle.

#### 2. Criminal Prosecution Defence

Following an event which leads to the  $\bf Insured\ Person$  being prosecuted in a court of criminal jurisdiction.

We will not pay for a claim relating to prosecution due to alleged infringement of road traffic laws or regulations in connection with the ownership, driving or use of a motor vehicle.

Provided that, for claims relating to the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 the **Countries Covered** shall be any place where the Act applies.

Please note **We** will only cover criminal investigations and/or prosecutions which arise in direct connection with the activities of the **Business** shown in the **Schedule**. Please see **Our Agreement**, page 35.

#### 3. Data Protection

If civil action is taken against the **Insured Person** for compensation under data protection legislation, when handling personal data in their capacity as a data controller and/or a data processor by;

- (a) An individual. **We** will also pay any compensation award in respect of such a claim.
- (b) A data controller and/or data processor, which arises out of, or relates to, a claim made by an individual for compensation against that data controller and/or data processor. Please note We will not pay any compensation award in respect of such a claim.

#### Provided that:

In respect of **3(a)** any sum of money in settlement of a dispute is awarded by a court under a judgment made after full argument and otherwise than by consent or default, or is payable under settlement approved in advance by **Us**.

Please note that **We** will not cover the cost of fines imposed by the Information Commissioner, or any other regulatory and/or criminal body. Please see Section Exclusions, 3.

We will not pay for any claim relating the following:

- 1. the loss, alteration, corruption or distortion of, or damage to stored personal data, or
- a reduction in the functionality, availability, or operation of stored personal data

resulting from hacking (unauthorised access), malicious or negligent transfer (electronic or otherwise) of a computer program that contains any malicious or damaging code, computer virus or similar mechanism.

#### 4. Wrongful Arrest

If civil action is taken against the **Insured Person** for wrongful arrest in respect of an accusation of theft alleged to have been carried out during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### 5. Statutory Notice Appeals

In an appeal against the imposition or terms of any Statutory Notice issued under legislation affecting **Your Business**.

We will not pay for:

- an appeal against the imposition or terms of any Statutory Notice issued in connection with Your licence, mandatory registration or British Standard Certificate of Registration
- **2.** a Statutory Notice issued by an **Insured Person's** regulatory or governing body.

#### 6. Jury Service and Court Attendance

An **Insured Person's** absence from work:

- (a) to perform jury service
- (b) to attend any court or tribunal at the request of the Appointed Representative.

**We** will not pay for any claim if **You** or the **Insured Person** are unable to prove the loss.

The maximum **We** will pay is the **Insured Person's** net salary or wages for the time that they are absent from work less any amount **You**, the court or tribunal, have paid them.

**We** will reimburse **You** for net salary or wages that **You** have paid the **Insured Person** for that time, less any amount they have been paid by, or can recover from, the court or tribunal.

#### **Property Protection**

**We** will pay **Costs and Expenses** for a civil dispute relating to physical property which is owned by **You**, or is **Your** responsibility following:

- (a) any event which causes physical damage to such physical property; or
- (b) a legal nuisance (meaning any unlawful interference with Your use or enjoyment of Your land, or some right over, or in connection with it); or
- (c) a trespass.

Please note that **You** must have, or there must be reasonable prospects of establishing **You** have, the legal ownership or right to the physical property that is the subject of the dispute.

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We will not pay for a claim relating to the following:

- 1. a contract You have entered into
- 2. goods in transit or goods lent or hired out
- goods at premises other than those occupied by You unless the goods are at the premises for the purpose of installations or use in work to be carried out by You
- 4. mining subsidence
- defending Your legal rights but We will cover defending a counter-claim that is an insured incident under this Section
- 6. a motor vehicle owned or used by, or hired or leased to an Insured Person (other than damage to motor vehicles where You are in the business of selling motor vehicles)
- 7. the enforcement of a covenant by or against You.

#### Personal Injury

At **Your** request, **We** will pay **Costs and Expenses** for an **Insured Person's** and their family members' legal rights following a specific or sudden accident that causes the death of, or bodily injury to them.

We will not pay for a claim relating to the following:

- 1. any illness or bodily injury that happens gradually
- psychological injury or mental illness unless the condition follows a specific or sudden accident that has caused physical bodily injury
- 3. defending an **Insured Person's** or their family members' legal rights other than in defending a counter-claim
- 4. clinical negligence.

#### Tax Protection

Costs and Expenses for an Appointed Representative following:

- (a) A Tax Enquiry
- (b) An Employer Compliance Dispute
- (c) A VAT Dispute

Provided that:

**You** have taken reasonable care to ensure that all returns are complete and correct and are submitted within the statutory time limits allowed.

Please note **We** will only cover tax claims which arise in direct connection with the activities of the **Business** shown in the **Schedule**. Please see **Our Agreement** on page 35.

We will not pay for a claim relating to the following:

- 1. a tax avoidance scheme.
- 2. any failure to register for Value Added Tax or Pay As You Earn.
- any investigation or enquiries by, with or on behalf of HM Revenue & Customs Special Investigations Section, Special Civil Investigations, Criminal Investigations Unit, Criminal Taxes Unit, under Public Notice 160 or by the Revenue & Customs Prosecution Office.
- 4. any claim relating to import or excise duties and import VAT.
- 5. Any investigation or enquiry by HM Revenue & Customs into alleged dishonesty or alleged criminal offences.

#### **Conditions**

The following Conditions apply to this Section in addition to the General Conditions and Claims Conditions at the front of this policy.

#### Arbitration

If there is a disagreement between an **Insured Person** and **Us** about the handling of a claim and it is not resolved through **Our** internal complaints procedure the **Insured Person** can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service for help. This is a free arbitration service for eligible consumers, small businesses, charities and trusts. (Details available from **www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk**)

If the dispute is not covered by the Financial Ombudsman Service there is a separate arbitration process available. The arbitrator will be a barrister, solicitor or other suitably qualified person chosen jointly by the **Insured Person** and **Us**. If there is a disagreement over the choice of arbitrator, **We** will ask the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators to decide. The arbitrator will decide who will pay the costs of the arbitration. For example, costs may be split between the **Insured Person** and **Us** or may be paid by either the **Insured Person** or **Us**.

#### Assessing and Recovering Costs

- (a) An Insured Person must instruct the Appointed Representative to have Costs and Expenses taxed, assessed or audited if We ask for this.
- (b) An Insured Person must take every step to recover Costs and Expenses and court attendance and jury service expenses that We have to pay and must pay Us any amounts that are recovered.

#### Cancelling an Appointed Representatives Appointment

If the **Appointed Representative** refuses to continue acting for an **Insured Person** with good reason or if an **Insured Person** dismisses the **Appointed Representative** without good reason, the cover **We** provide will end at once, unless **We** agree to appoint another **Appointed Representative**.

#### **Expert Opinion**

If there is a disagreement between an **Insured Person** and **Us** on the merits of the claim or proceedings, or on a legal principle, **We** may suggest the **Insured Person** obtains at their own expense an opinion on the matter from an independent and appropriate expert. The expert must be approved in advance by **Us** and the cost expressly agreed in writing between the **Insured Person** and **Us**. Subject to this **We** will pay the cost of getting the opinion if the expert's opinion indicates that it is more likely than not that the **Insured Person** will recover damages (or obtain any other legal remedy that **We** have agreed to) or make a successful defence. This does not affect the **Insured Person**'s rights under Section Condition Arbitration.

#### Fraudulent Claims

**We** will, at **Our** discretion, void this Section (make it invalid) from the date of claim, or alleged claim, and/or **We** will not pay the claim if:

- (a) a claim the **Insured Person** has made to obtain benefit under this Section is fraudulent or intentionally exaggerated, or
- **(b)** a false declaration or statement is made in support of a claim.

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#### Keeping to the Section Terms

#### An Insured Person must:

- (a) keep to the terms and conditions of this Section
- (b) take reasonable steps to avoid and prevent claims
- (c) take reasonable steps to avoid incurring unnecessary costs
- (d) send everything We ask for in writing, and
- (e) report to **Us** full and factual details of any claim as soon as possible and give **Us** any information **We** need.

#### Offers to Settle a Claim

- (a) An **Insured Person** must tell **Us** if anyone offers to settle a claim and must not negotiate or agree to any settlement without **Our** expressed consent
- (b) If an Insured Person does not accept a reasonable offer to settle a claim, We may refuse to pay further Costs and Expenses
- (c) We may decide to pay an Insured Person the reasonable value of the claim that the Insured Person is claiming or is being claimed against them instead of starting or continuing legal action. In these circumstances an Insured Person must allow Us to take over and pursue or settle a claim in their name. An Insured Person must allow Us to pursue at Our own expense and for their benefit, any claim for compensation against any other person and an Insured Person must give Us all the information and help We need to doso.

#### Other Insurances

If any claim covered under this Section is also covered by another policy, or would have been covered if this insurance did not exist, **We** will only pay **Our** share of the claim even if the other insurer refuses the claim.

#### Your Representation

- (a) On receiving a claim, if representation is necessary, We will appoint a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy as Your Appointed Representative to deal with Your claim. They will try to settle Your claim by negotiation without having to go to court
- (b) If the appointed Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy cannot negotiate settlement of Your claim and it is necessary to go to court and legal proceedings are issued or there is a conflict of interest, then You may, if You prefer, choose a law firm or tax expert of Your own choice to act as the Appointed Representative. We will choose the Appointed Representative to represent You in any proceedings where We are liable to pay a compensation award
- (c) If You choose a law firm as Your Appointed Representative who is not a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy, We will give Your choice of law firm the opportunity to act on the same terms as a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy. However if they refuse to act on this basis, the most We will pay is the amount We would have paid if they had agreed to the DAS Standard Terms of Appointment. The amount We will pay a law firm (where acting as the Appointed Representative) is currently £100 per hour. This amount may vary from time to
- (d) The Appointed Representative must co-operate with Us at all times and must keep Us up to date with the progress of the claim.

#### Your Responsibilities

#### An Insured Person must:

- (a) co-operate fully with **Us** and the **Appointed Representative**;
- (b) give the Appointed Representative any instructions that We ask them to.

#### Withdrawing Cover

- (a) If an Insured Person settles a claim or withdraws their claim without Our agreement, or does not give suitable instructions to the Appointed Representative, We can withdraw cover and will be entitled to reclaim any Costs and Expenses We have paid.
- (b) If during the course of a claim **Reasonable Prospects** no longer exist the cover **We** provide will end at once. **We** will pay any **Costs and Expenses** and compensation awards **We** have agreed to, up to the date cover was withdrawn.

#### Law that applies

This section is governed by the law that applies in the part of the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or Isle of Man where **Your Business** is registered. Otherwise the law of England and Wales applies.

All Acts of Parliament mentioned in this section include equivalent laws in Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands as appropriate.

#### **Exclusions**

The following Exclusions apply to this Section in addition to the General Exclusions at the front of this policy.

We will not pay for the following:

- Any claim reported to Us more than 180 days after the date the Insured Person should have known about the insured incident.
- **2. Costs and Expenses** incurred before **Our** expressed acceptance.
- 3. Fines, penalties, compensation or damages which the **Insured Person** is ordered to pay by a court or other authority, other than compensation awards covered under insured incident Legal Defence.
- Legal action an Insured Person takes which We or the Appointed Representative have not agreed to, or where the Insured Person does anything that hinders Us or the Appointed Representative.
- **5.** Any claim relating to patents, copyrights, trademarks, merchandise marks, registered designs, intellectual property, secrecy and confidentiality agreements.
- **6.** Any wilful act or omission of an **Insured Person** deliberately intended to cause a claim under this Section.
- 7. Any claim relating to rights under a franchise or agency agreement entered into by **You**.
- **8.** A dispute with DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited and/or Covea Insurance plc not otherwise dealt with under Section Condition Arbitration.
- **9.** Any claim relating to a shareholding or partnership share in the **Business** shown in the **Schedule**.

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- **10. Costs and Expenses** arising from or relating to judicial review, coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry.
- **11.** Any claim where either at the start of, or during the course of a claim:
  - (a) You are declared bankrupt
  - **(b)** You have filed a bankruptcy petition
  - (c) You have filed a winding-up petition
  - (d) You have made an arrangement with your creditors
  - (e) You have entered into a deed of arrangement
  - (f) You are in liquidation
  - **(g)** part or all of **Your** affairs or property are in the care or control of a receiver or administrator.
- **12.** Any claim relating to written or verbal remarks that damage the **Insured Person's** reputation.
- **13.** Any claim where an **Insured Person** is not represented by a law firm, barrister or tax expert.

#### **Important Information**

#### Registration and Regulatory Information

This Section is underwritten by DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited who are registered in England and Wales, No. 103274. Website: www.das.co.uk

Head and Registered Office:

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited

DAS House

Quay Side

Temple Back

Bristol

BS1 6NH

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. **Our** Firm Reference Number is 202106.

**You** can check the regulatory status on the Financial Services Register by visiting the Financial Conduct Authority's website: www.fca.org.uk/register.

DAS Law Limited are registered in England and Wales, No 5417859. Website: www.daslaw.co.uk

Head and Registered Office:

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North Quay

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DAS Law Limited is authorised and regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority, registered No 423113.

#### How to Make a Complaint

**We** always aim to give the **Insured Person** a high quality service. If the **Insured Person** thinks **We** have let them down they can contact **Us** by:

Telephone: 0344 893 9013

Email: customerrelations@das.co.uk

Post: Customer Relations Department

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited

DAS House

Quay Side

Temple Back

Bristol

BS1 6NH

Or by completing **Our** online complaint form at: www.das.co.uk/about-das/complaints

Further details of **Our** internal complaint-handling procedures are available on request.

#### Financial Ombudsman Service

If the **Insured Person** is not happy with the complaint outcome or if **We** have been unable to respond to their complaint within 8 weeks, they can, provided they are an eligible small business, charity or trust, ask the Financial Ombudsman Service for a free and independent review of their complaint.

The **Insured Person** can contact them by:

Telephone: **0800 023 4567** (free from mobile phones and landlines) or **0300 123 9123** 

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

Post: The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR

Further information is available on their website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk Using this service does not affect the **Insured Person's** right to take legal action.

The Financial Ombudsman's role is to assess **Our** handling of a claim in light of the policy terms. It is not to assess the quality of legal advice. If the **Insured Person** is unhappy with the service provided by an **Appointed Representative** the relevant complaint-handling procedure is available on request.

#### Financial Services Compensation Scheme

**We** are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). Compensation from the scheme may be claimed if **We** cannot meet **Our** obligations. This will be dependent on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. More information on the compensation scheme arrangements can be found on the FSCS website, www.fscs.org.uk

#### Data Protection

To comply with data protection regulations **We** are committed to processing personal information fairly and transparently. This section is designed to provide a brief understanding of how **We** collect and use this information.

**We** may collect personal details including name, address, date of birth, email address and, on occasion, dependent on the type of cover in place, sensitive information such as medical records. This is for the purpose of managing the products and services in place and this may include underwriting, claims handling and providing legal advice. **We** will only obtain personal information either directly from you, the third party dealing with your claim or from the authorised partner who sold this policy.

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#### Who We Are

DAS is part of DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited which is part of DAS UK Holdings Limited (DAS UK Group). The uses of personal data by **Us** and members of the DAS UK Group are covered by **Our** individual company registrations with the Information Commissioner's Office. DAS has a Data Protection Officer who can be contacted at dataprotection@das.co.uk.

#### How We Will Use Your Information

**We** may need to send personal information to other parties, such as lawyers or other experts, the court, insurance intermediaries, insurance companies, appointed service providers, specialist agencies or other members of the DAS UK Group, so they may contact you for your feedback. If the policy includes legal advice **We** may have to send the information outside of the European Economic Area in order to give legal advice on non-European Union law. Dependent on the type of cover in place, the personal information may also be sent outside the EEA so the service provider can administer the claim.

**We** will take all steps reasonably necessary to ensure the personal data is treated securely and in accordance with this Privacy Notice. Any transfer outside of the EEA will be encrypted using SSL technology.

We will not disclose the Insured Person's personal data to any other person or organisation unless We are required to by Our legal and regulatory obligations. For example, We may use and share the personal data with other organisations and public bodies, including the police and anti-fraud organisations, for the prevention and detection of crime, including fraud and financial sanctions. If false or inaccurate information is provided and fraud is identified, details will be passed to fraud prevention agencies to prevent fraud and money laundering. Further details explaining how the information held by fraud prevention agencies may be used can be obtained by writing to, or telephoning DAS. A copy is also accessible and can be downloaded via Our website.

#### What is our legal basis for processing you information?

It is necessary for **Us** to use the personal information to perform **Our** obligations in accordance with any contract that **We** may have with the person taking out this policy. It is also in **Our** legitimate interest to use the personal information for the provision of services in relation to any contract that **We** may have with the person taking out this policy.

#### How long will your information be held for?

We will retain personal data for 7 years. We will only retain and use the personal data thereafter as necessary to comply with Our legal obligations, resolve disputes, and enforce Our agreements. If you no longer want Us to use the personal data, please contact Us at dataprotection@das.co.uk.

#### What are your rights?

The following rights are available in relation to the handling of personal data:

- the right to access personal data held
- the right to have inaccuracies corrected for personal data held
- the right to have personal data held erased
- the right to object to direct marketing being conducted based upon personal data held
- the right to restrict the processing for personal data held, including automated decision-making
- the right to data portability for personal data held

Any requests, questions or objections should be made in writing to the Data Protection Officer:

Data Protection Officer, DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited, DAS House, Quay Side, Temple Back, Bristol BS1 6NH Or via Email: dataprotection@das.co.uk

#### How to make a complaint

If there is any dissatisfaction with the way in which personal data has been processed, the Data Protection Officer can be contacted in the first instance using the details above.

If you remain dissatisfied, the Information Commissioner's Office can be approached directly for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

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