

Allianz Insurance plc

A-One Flatowner

Policy Wording



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Thank you for choosing Allianz Insurance plc. We are one of the largest general insurers in the UK and part of the Allianz Group, one of the world's foremost financial services providers.

With Allianz Insurance plc, you can be confident that you're insured by a company which is relentless in its commitment to protecting and serving you. You can trust us to insure your business, as we've been providing leading insurance solutions in the UK for over 100 years.

We work in partnership with your insurance adviser to ensure you receive the highest levels of product and service excellence. Our technical experts understand how best to protect you against the risks your business faces.

If you need to make a claim you will be in safe hands. Our professionally trained staff aim to treat you, as you would expect, both promptly and fairly. By listening to you, and understanding your needs we will provide you with the most appropriate solutions to get your business trading again as quickly as possible.

Should you need further details or have any questions your insurance adviser will be delighted to help.

Important

This document provides details of your policy and the terms and conditions that apply.

Please read it carefully and keep it in a safe place.



Introduction

Your A-One Flatowner Policy is made up of several parts, which must be read together as they form your contract. Please take time to read all parts of the Policy to make sure they meet your needs and that you understand the terms, exclusions and conditions. If you wish to change anything or if there is anything you do not understand, please let your insurance adviser know.

The parts of the Policy are:

- the Statement of Fact
- this Policy Wording which contains
 - this Introduction; the Insuring Clause; the Policy Definitions, the Policy Exclusions and the Policy Conditions, all of which apply to all Sections of the Policy
 - the Sections of cover provided, including the Section Definitions, Extensions, Conditions and Exclusions
- the Schedule, which confirms the Sections of cover that are insured and includes any additional clauses applied to the Policy.

Any Section stated to be 'Not Insured' in the Schedule shall be inoperative.

Any word or expression in the Policy which has a specific meaning has the same meaning wherever it appears in the Policy, unless stated otherwise.

Changes to your circumstances

Please tell your insurance adviser as soon as reasonably possible if there are any changes to your circumstances which could affect your insurance.

Please refer to Policy Condition 16 (Change of Risk) on page 12 of this Policy.

If your circumstances change and you do not tell your insurance adviser, you may find that you are not covered if you need to claim.

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

Allianz Insurance plc contributes to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

The Insured may be entitled to compensation from the FSCS if the Insurer is unable to meet their liabilities. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available at www.fscs.org.uk, by emailing enquiries@fscs.org.uk or by phoning the FSCS on 0800 678 1100 or 0207 741 4100.

How to Make a Claim

If you need to claim, your dedicated claims team will help and guide you through the process.

You can notify us of a claim by:

Telephone: **Property Claims - 0344 412 9988**
Liability Claims - 0344 893 9500

Post: Allianz Claims
PO Box 10509
51 Saffron Road
Wigston
LE18 9FP

Our claims helpline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

If you have a Commercial Legal Expenses claim you can notify Allianz Legal Protection by contacting the Lawphone Legal Advice Helpline on **0344 873 0246** quoting the five digit Master Policy Reference shown in the Commercial Legal Expenses section in the policy schedule.

Post: The Claims Department
Allianz Legal Protection
Allianz-ALP
PO Box 10623
Wigston
LE18 9HJ

Lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Please try to notify Allianz of a claim promptly after the incident, or immediately in the event of a serious accident, loss or damage.

Claims Details

Please have the following information available, where possible, when making a claim:

Property Claims

- Your contact information, including address and telephone numbers
- Policy type and policy number
- Date the loss occurred
- Location and description of the loss

Injury Claims

- Your contact information, including address and telephone numbers
- Policy type and policy number
- Date the loss occurred
- Name and address of injured party
- Description of the injury, where and how it occurred

Commercial Legal Expenses Claims

- Your contact information, including address and telephone numbers
- Master Policy reference shown in the policy schedule
- Brief summary of the problem

What to expect when making a claim

We aim to deal with your claim promptly and fairly. We will update you on the progress of your claim by email, mail or by phone – whichever you prefer.

Depending on the type of claim and value involved, we may:

- forward a claim form for you to complete and sign
- ask you for additional information
- appoint an independent loss adjuster to deal with your claim (loss adjusters are claims specialists who investigate large or complex claims, usually at the scene of an incident, to establish the cause of the loss and assist the insurer in dealing with your claim)
- arrange for a member of our claims team to visit you

Commercial Legal Expenses

In addition to the above, the following will apply to enable Allianz Legal Protection to deal with a claim under the Commercial Legal Expenses section:

- we will forward you a claim form for you to complete and sign
- we will require a copy of your policy schedule
- legal expenses are only covered from the time we have accepted the claim and appointed the legal representative in your name and on your behalf. You must not appoint a legal representative.
If you have already seen a solicitor before we have accepted your claim, we will not pay any fees or other expenses that you have incurred.

Helpful advice when making a claim

Your insurance policy comes with a number of great features to help keep your business up and running. These additional features do not come with standard policies and have been designed especially for small businesses in mind.

Keeping your business up and running

- in the event of an emergency, we will send out a repairer to make your premises secure within 24 hours – even during the night
- you should carry out any emergency action to protect your property from further damage (e.g. turning off main services) or to make it waterproof or secure. If emergency work has been completed on your own authority please contact us before permanent repairs begin
- we will be pleased to provide advice and assistance to find the right person or organisation to help you. We have a nationwide network of quality trade people on call to get you up and running. For large incidents, we will usually assign a loss adjuster who will manage your repairs and has the authority to authorise repairs up to £50,000
- please do not dispose of damaged items before we have had the opportunity to inspect them
- you should report to the Police any loss or damage from theft, arson, malicious damage, or riot or civil commotion and obtain a crime reference number from them
- if you do incur any charges, please retain the bills as these may form part of your claim

You should comply with the requirements for claim notification contained in the policy conditions, which detail your obligations and our rights in the event of a claim. If you are in any doubt please contact us.

Employees

We understand how important your employees are to your business. This is why, in the unfortunate event of serious injury to your employees, we provide a medically trained rehabilitation team to work with your employees, getting them back to health and back to work as quickly as possible.

If an employee or someone else is holding you responsible for injury to them or for damage to their property then you should tell us promptly and send any letters, writs or summons to us unanswered.

Please ensure that your responsibility for injury to someone or damage to their property is not discussed with or admitted to anyone else.

Following a claim

After a claim, it may be helpful for you to review your insurance risks and how well your business is managing them. Risk Director allows you to identify and manage the risks that are most pertinent to your business. The range of tools and templates available online make risk management quick and easy. Risk Director can be accessed at www.riskdirector.co.uk

Complaints Procedure

Our aim is to get it right, first time every time. If you have a complaint we will try to resolve it straight away but if we are unable to we will confirm we have received your complaint within five working days and do our best to resolve the problem within four weeks. If we cannot we will let you know when an answer may be expected.

If we have not resolved the situation within eight weeks we will issue you with information about the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) which offers a free, independent complaint resolution service.

If you have a complaint, please contact our Customer Satisfaction Manager at:

Customer Satisfaction Manager
Allianz Insurance plc
57 Ladymead
Guildford
Surrey
GU1 1DB

Telephone number: **01483 552438**

Fax Number: **01483 790538**

Email: accsm@allianz.co.uk

You have the right to refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman, free of charge – but you must do so within six months of the date of the final response letter.

If you do not refer your complaint in time, the Ombudsman will not have our permission to consider your complaint and so will only be able to do so in very limited circumstances. For example, if the Ombudsman believes that the delay was as a result of exceptional circumstances.

The Financial Ombudsman Service
Exchange Tower
London
E14 9SR

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Telephone: 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9123

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

Using our complaints procedure or contacting the FOS does not affect your legal rights.

The European Commission has an online dispute resolution service for consumers who have a complaint about a product or service bought online. If you choose to submit your complaint this way it will be forwarded to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

Visit <https://ec.europa.eu/odr> to access the Online Dispute Resolution Service. Please quote our e-mail address: accsm@allianz.co.uk

Alternatively, you can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service directly.

Insuring Clause

In consideration of payment of the premium the Insurer will indemnify or otherwise compensate the Insured against loss, destruction, damage, injury or liability (as described in and subject to the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions of this Policy or any Section of it) occurring or arising in connection with the Business during the Period of Insurance or any subsequent period for which the Insurer agrees to accept a renewal premium.

For Allianz Insurance plc

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan Dye". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

Jonathan Dye
Chief Executive

Policy Definitions

The following definitions apply to this Policy (unless amended by Section Definitions) and are denoted by a capital first letter throughout this Policy.

All Other Contents

Any contents that are not Contents of Common Parts, including:

- deeds, documents, manuscripts and business books, but only for the cost of the materials and clerical labour expended in reproducing such records
- computer systems records, but only for the cost of the materials and of clerical labour and computer time expended in reproducing such records, for an amount not exceeding £10,000 in total and so far as they are not otherwise insured
- partners', directors' and employees' personal effects of every description (other than motor vehicles) whilst at the Premises, for an amount not exceeding £500 for any one person.

Building/Buildings

The buildings at the Premises being, unless more specifically described, built mainly of brick, stone, concrete or other non-combustible materials, including:

- fixed glass, fixed sanitaryware, walls, gates and fences in, on or pertaining to the buildings
- telephone, gas, water and electric instruments, meters, piping, cabling and the like and their accessories in, on or pertaining to the buildings including such property in adjoining yards or roadways or underground at the Premises and extending to the public mains
- fuel tanks and their ancillary equipment, pipework and the like at the Premises
- small outside buildings, annexes, gangways, conveniences and other small structures at the Premises
- roads, car parks, yards, paved areas, hard-surfaced areas, pavements and footpaths at the Premises.

Business

The business description stated in the Schedule.

Contents

Contents of Common Parts and All Other Contents

Contents of Common Parts

Fitted carpets, furnishings and other contents in reception and storage areas and other communal parts of the Buildings including:

- the contents of fuel tanks at the Premises
- portable communal property in the open grounds of and used in connection with the Buildings

Excess

The first part of each and every claim, for which the Insured is responsible

Flat/Flats

A self contained unit of residential accommodation forming part of the Building

Insured

The insured named as shown in the Schedule

Insurer

Allianz Insurance plc

Landlord's Fixtures and Fittings

Fixtures and fittings in, or on, the Premises which belong to the landlord. This includes communal television and radio receiving aerials, satellite dishes and related fittings on or in residential Premises.

Period of Insurance

The period from the Effective Date to the Renewal Date as shown in the Schedule

Policy

The document described in the Introduction

Property/Property Insured

Buildings, Contents of Common Parts, All Other Contents, Landlord's Fixtures and Fittings, Tenants' Improvements and other Property belonging to the Insured or for which the Insured is responsible, as shown and/or described in the Schedule.

The Insurer agrees to accept the heading under which any Property or other item has been entered in the books of the Insured.

Resident

The owner, lessee or tenant of any Flat and/or members of their household

Schedule

The part of this Policy that details information forming the basis of this contract and that shows the Sections of this Policy selected

Section/Sections

The parts of this Policy that detail the insurance cover provided for each individual section of this Policy

Sum Insured

The maximum amount the Insurer will pay for each item insured under any Section

Tenants' Improvements

Permanent alterations or additions made to the Building/ Buildings by either the landlord or tenant which are not moveable, including interior decorations.

Total Sum Insured

The total amount payable by the Insurer under any Section

Unoccupied

Any Building or part of any Building or Flat which is unfurnished or untenanted or no longer in active use for a period exceeding 45 consecutive days

Policy Conditions

Applicable unless stated to the contrary under the conditions in the Sections

1 Fair Presentation of the Risk

- a The Insured must make a fair presentation of the risk to the Insurer at inception, renewal and variation of the Policy.
- b The Insurer may avoid the Policy and refuse to pay any claims where any failure to make a fair presentation is:
 - i deliberate or reckless; or
 - ii of such other nature that, if the Insured had made a fair presentation, the Insurer would not have issued the Policy.

The Insurer will return the premium paid by the Insured unless the failure to make a fair presentation is deliberate or reckless.

- c If the Insurer would have issued the Policy on different terms had the Insured made a fair presentation, the Insurer will not avoid the Policy (except where the failure is deliberate or reckless) but the Insurer may instead:
 - i reduce proportionately the amount paid or payable on any claim, the proportion for which the Insurer is liable being calculated by comparing the premium actually charged as a percentage of the premium which the Insurer would have charged had the Insured made a fair presentation; and/or
 - ii treat the Policy as if it had included such additional terms (other than those requiring payment of premium) as the Insurer would have imposed had the Insured made a fair presentation.

For the purposes of this condition references to:

- a avoiding a Policy means treating the Policy as if it had not existed from the inception date (where the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk occurs before or at the inception of the Policy), the renewal date (where the failure occurs at renewal of the Policy), or the variation date (where the failure occurs when the Policy is varied);
- b refunds of premium should be treated as refunds of premium back to the inception date, renewal date or variation date as the context requires;
- c issuing a Policy should be treated as references to issuing the Policy at inception, renewing or varying the Policy as the context requires.

2 Reasonable Precautions

The Insured shall take all reasonable care

- a to prevent accident and any injury or damage
- b to observe and comply with statutory or local authority laws, obligations and requirements
- c in the selection and supervision of employees
- d to maintain the Property Insured used in connection with the Business in efficient and safe working order
- e to make good or remedy any defect or danger which becomes apparent and take such additional precautions as the circumstances may require.

3 Claims – Action by the Insured

The Insured shall in the event of any injury, loss, destruction, damage or consequential loss as a result of which a claim is or may be made under this Policy or any Section of it, and again upon receipt by the Insured in writing of any notice of any claims or legal proceeding

- a notify the Insurer within 30 days or 28 days in the case of loss, destruction, damage or consequential loss by riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances, malicious persons or theft or such further time as the Insurer may allow
- b notify the Insurer immediately upon being advised of any prosecution, inquest or enquiry connected with any injury, loss, destruction, damage or consequential loss which may form the subject of a claim under this Policy
- c notify the police as soon as it becomes evident that any loss, destruction, damage has been caused by theft or malicious persons
- d pass immediately, and unacknowledged, any letter of claim to the Insurer
- e carry out and permit to be taken any action which may be reasonably practicable to prevent further loss, destruction, damage or consequential loss
- f retain unaltered and unrepaired anything in any way connected with the injury, loss, destruction, damage or consequential loss for as long as the Insurer may reasonably require

- g** furnish with all reasonable despatch at the Insured's expense
 - i** such further particulars and information as the Insurer may reasonably require
 - ii** if required, a statutory declaration of the truth of the claim
 - iii** details of any other insurance covering the subject matter of the claim under this Policy and any matters connected with it
- h** make available at the Insured's expense any documents required by the Insurer with regard to any letter of claim
- i** not pay or offer or agree to pay any money or make any admission of liability without the previous consent of the Insurer
- j** allow the Insurer in the name of and on behalf of the Insured to take over and, during such periods as the Insurer thinks proper, to have control of all negotiations and proceedings which may arise in respect of any claims and the settlement thereof and co-operate fully with the Insurer for that purpose

No claim under this Policy shall be payable and any payment on account of a claim already made shall be repaid to the Insurer, if the terms of this Policy Condition are not complied with.

4 Claims – The Rights of the Insurer

In respect of loss, destruction or damage for which a claim is made, the Insurer and any person authorised by the Insurer may without incurring any liability or diminishing any of the Insured's rights in respect of the cover under this Policy, enter premises where such loss, destruction or damage has occurred, and take possession of or require to be delivered to the Insurer any Property insured, and to deal with such Property for all reasonable purpose and in any reasonable manner.

No Property may be abandoned to the Insurer, whether taken possession of by the Insurer or not.

The Insurer will not pay for any claim unless the terms of this condition have been complied with.

5 Cancellation

Insured's Cancellation Rights

The Insured has the right to immediately cancel the cover within 14 days' of the commencement of cover or the receipt of Policy documentation, whichever is the later (this period is referred to as the "cooling off period").

The Insured should exercise this right by contacting their insurance adviser or by writing to the Allianz office which issued the Policy documentation.

If the Insured does exercise their right to cancel during the "cooling off period", and provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance, the Insured will be entitled to a return of premium calculated on a pro-rata basis, less an administration charge of £25 to cover operational costs. The amount of premium to be refunded under this condition will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments outstanding at the date of cancellation.

If the "cooling off period" has expired, the Insured may cancel the Policy during the Period of Insurance by giving 14 days' notice in writing to their insurance adviser or the Allianz office which issued the Policy. Provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a refund of the premium paid calculated on a pro-rata basis, less an administration charge of £25 to cover operational costs. The amount of any premium to be refunded under this condition will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

Insurer's Cancellation Rights

In addition to the Insurers' rights set out elsewhere in the Policy, including but not limited to Condition 1 (Fair Presentation of the Risk) and Condition 6 (Fraud), where there is a valid reason for doing so the Insurer may cancel this Policy at any time by giving the Insured at least 14 days' notice in writing sent to the Insured's last known address. The notice will set out the reason for cancellation.

Valid reasons for cancellation may include but are not limited to:

- a** Non payment of premium (including if the premium for this Policy is paid by instalments and in the event that the Insured fails to pay one or more instalments whether in full or in part). In the event that a premium payment is missed the Insurer will write to the Insured notifying them that a payment has been missed and requesting payment by a specific date. If payment is not received by the Insurer by the specific date the Insurer will send a final letter to the Insured requesting payment by a final date which will be set out in the final letter. If payment is not received by the final date the Insurer will cancel the policy with immediate effect. The Insured will be notified in writing if the policy is cancelled;
- b** Continued failure by the Insured to comply with the terms and conditions of this Policy;
- c** Failure by the Insured to allow the Insurer to complete a survey (where the Policy has been issued or renewed subject to a survey);
- d** Failure by the Insured to adhere to, or implement, any risk improvement requirements or conditions required by the Insurer, including any changes required by any survey or claims adjusters report, within a reasonable period of time as advised by the Insurer;
- e** Material change in the risk or the sums insured;
- f** Failure by the Insured to co-operate with the Insurer or provide the Insurer with information or documentation reasonably required by the Insurer and the lack of cooperation by the Insured affects the Insurers ability to process a claim or defend the Insurers interests or make risk based underwriting decisions. In this case the Insurer will write to the Insured giving notice of cancellation of this Policy in the event that the Insured does not cooperate to provide the information or documentation reasonably required within a period of 14 days' starting from the date provided in the letter; or
- g** The Insureds use of threatening, abusive or intimidating behaviour or inappropriate language or bullying of the Insurers staff or suppliers.

If the Insurer does cancel this Policy, provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a proportionate return of the premium in respect of the unexpired Period of Insurance. The amount of premium refund payable will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

6 Fraud

If the Insured or anyone acting on the Insured's behalf:

- a** makes any false or fraudulent claim;
- b** makes any exaggerated claim;
- c** supports a claim by false or fraudulent documents, devices or statements (whether or not the claim is itself genuine); or
- d** makes a claim for loss or damage which the Insured or anyone acting on the Insured's behalf deliberately caused;

the Insurer will:

- i** refuse to pay the whole of the claim; and
- ii** recover from the Insured any sums that it has already paid in respect of the claim.

The Insurer may also notify the Insured that it will be treating the Policy as having terminated with effect from the date of the earliest of any of the acts set out in sub-clauses **a – d** above. In that event, the Insured will:

- a** have no cover under the Policy from the date of the termination; and
- b** not be entitled to any refund of premium.

7 Subrogation

Any claimant under this Policy shall, at the Insurer's request and expense, take or permit to be taken all necessary steps for enforcing rights against any other party in the name of the insured, before or after the Insurer makes any payment.

The Insurer agrees to waive any such rights to which the Insurer might become entitled by subrogation against any company standing in relation of parent to subsidiary (or subsidiary to parent) to the Insured or against any company which is a subsidiary of a parent company of which the Insured are themselves a subsidiary, in each case within the meaning of the Companies Act or Companies (Northern Ireland) Order current at the time of loss, destruction or damage.

8 Arbitration

If any difference arises as to the amount to be paid under this Policy (liability being otherwise admitted by the Insurer), such difference shall be referred to an arbitrator to be appointed by the Insured and the Insurer in accordance with statutory provisions.

Where any difference is referred to this arbitration in accordance with this condition, the making of an award shall be a condition precedent to any right of action against the Insurer.

9 Law Applicable to Contract

Unless We agree otherwise:

- a the language of the Policy and all communications relating to it will be English; and
- b all aspects of the Policy including negotiation and performance are subject to English law and the decisions of English courts.

10 Rights of Third Parties

A person or company who was not a party to this Policy has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 or any subsequent legislation 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 such Act.

11 Non Invalidation

This Policy shall not be invalidated by

- a any act or omission or by any alteration or neglect unknown to or beyond the control of the Insured by which the risk of loss, destruction or damage is increased, provided that the Insured shall give notice to the Insurer (and pay an additional premium if required) immediately they become aware of such act, omission, alteration or neglect
- b workmen on the Premises carrying out repairs, general maintenance work or minor structural or other alterations of a contract value not exceeding £25,000. Alterations of a contract value above this amount should be referred to the Insurer for acceptance prior to such work commencing.

12 Discharge of Liability

The Insurer may at any time pay to the Insured in connection with any claim or series of claims

- a the Limit of Indemnity, or
- b the Sum Insured, or
- c a lesser amount for which such claim or claims can be settled

after deduction of any sums already paid and less the amount of any Excess.

The Insurer will not make any further payment in respect of such claim or claims except for costs and expenses which the Insurer has already agreed to bear and which were incurred prior to such payment.

13 Unoccupied Buildings

When any building or more than 30% of the Flats forming any building become(s) Unoccupied

- a the Insured must notify the Insurer as soon as they become aware of such unoccupancy and also when such Unoccupied Buildings or Flats are again occupied
- b Events 7, 8, 10, 11, 13 and 14 specified in Section 1 – Property Damage are not insured in respect of Unoccupied Flats
- c the following action must be taken by the Insured in respect of Unoccupied Flats
 - i the main electricity, gas and water services are to be turned off and the water system is to be drained, except when
 - A electricity is needed to maintain any automatic fire or intruder alarm system in operation, or
 - B electricity and water are needed to maintain any automatic sprinkler system in operation,
 - ii the Buildings or Flats are to be inspected thoroughly both internally and externally at least weekly (the Insured may appoint a responsible person for this purpose), a record is to be kept of such inspections, and internal or external accumulations of combustible materials are to be removed at the time of such inspections
 - iii the Buildings or Flats are to be secured against unlawful entry by closing all doors and windows and setting all security locking mechanisms, setting any alarm systems, and setting any other protective devices to be fully operative.
- d the Insured must notify the Insurer as soon as they become aware of the Buildings or Flats within being occupied by contractors for renovation, alteration or conversion purposes.

14 Survey and Risk Improvement Condition

If this Policy has been issued or renewed subject to the Insurer completing a survey or surveys of the Premises or of any other location(s) as specified by the Insurer, then pending completion of such survey(s) cover is provided by the Insurer on the terms, conditions, provisions, exclusions and limits as specified in the Policy and in the Sections of the Policy.

In the event that a survey should show that a risk or any part of it is not satisfactory in the opinion of the Insurer, then the Insurer reserves the right to either alter the terms and conditions of the cover or to suspend or withdraw cover from the date cover was incepted or renewed or for any other period specified by the Insurer. It is a condition of the Insurer that the Insured must comply with all survey risk improvements required by the Insurer within completion time scales specified by the Insurer.

In the event that a risk improvement is not completed or risk improvement procedures are not introduced within the completion time scales specified by the Insurer, then the Insurer reserves the right to either continue cover subject to alteration of the terms and conditions of such cover, or to suspend or withdraw cover effective

- a from the date cover was incepted or renewed or
- b from the expiry of any time period specified by the Insurer for completion/introduction of the required survey risk improvements, or
- c for any other period specified by the Insurer.

If the terms or conditions of cover are amended by the Insurer, then the Insured will have 14 days to accept or reject the revised basis of cover.

If the Insured elect to reject the revised basis of cover, then provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a refund of the premium paid calculated on a pro-rata basis, less an administration charge of £25 to cover operational costs. The amount of any premium to be refunded under this condition will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

If the Insurer exercises the right to suspend or cancel cover, then provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a proportionate return of the premium in respect of such period that cover is suspended or for any period beyond the effective date from which cover is cancelled.

The amount of premium refund payable will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

Except in so far as they are expressly varied by this condition, all of the terms, conditions, provisions, exclusions and limits of the Policy and of the Sections of the Policy shall continue to apply until the Insurer advises otherwise. To the extent that this condition conflicts with any other cancellation condition, this condition shall prevail.

15 Other Insurances

If at the time of Damage, loss or injury, any other insurance has been effected by or on behalf of the Insured covering any of the Property damaged, the Insured's liabilities or other losses covered by this Policy, the Insurer's liability under this Policy shall be limited to the rateable proportion of such Damage, liabilities or loss as the Insurer would have had to pay if the other insurance policy did not contain:

- a any provision applying average or any similar provision which would reduce the amount payable on the claim to reflect underinsurance; and
- b any provision which excludes it from ranking concurrently with this Policy or any Section of it either in whole or in part or from contributing rateably.

16 Change of Risk

The Insured must notify the Insurer as soon as possible if during the Period of Insurance there is any alteration:

- a in or to the Business;
- b to or at the Premises;
- c to the facts or matters set out in the Statement of Fact or otherwise comprising the risk presentation made by the Insured to the Insurer at inception, renewal or variation of the Policy; which materially increases the risk of injury, loss, Damage or liability.

Upon being notified of any such alteration, the Insurer may, at its absolute discretion:

- a continue to provide cover under this Policy on the same terms;
- b restrict the cover provided under this Policy;
- c impose additional terms;
- d alter the premium;
- e cancel the policy.

If the Insured fails to notify the Insurer of any material alteration of the risk, the Insurer may:

- a treat the Policy as if it had come to an end as at the date of the alteration of the risk, returning a proportionate amount of the premium for the unexpired Period of Insurance, if the Insurer would have cancelled the Policy had it known of the increase in risk;
- b treat the Policy as if it had contained such terms (other than relating to premium) or other restrictions (if any) from the date of the alteration in risk as the Insurer would have applied had it known of the increase in risk;
- c reduce proportionately the amount paid or payable on any claim, the proportion for which the Insurer is liable being calculated by comparing the premium actually charged as a percentage of the premium which the Insurer would have charged had it known of the increase in risk.

17 Conditions Precedent to Liability

If the Insured does not comply with any part of any condition which makes payment of a claim conditional upon compliance with it (a condition precedent), the Insurer will not pay for any claim, except that where the condition concerned:

- a operates only in connection with particular premises or locations, the Insurer will pay for claims arising out of an event occurring at other premises or locations which are not specified in the condition;
- b operates only at particular times, the Insurer will pay for any claim where the Insured shows on the balance of probabilities that its non-compliance with the condition did not cause or contribute to the injury, loss, damage or liability which occurred;
- c would, if complied with, tend to reduce particular types of injury, loss, damage or, as the context may require liability, the Insurer will pay for any claim where the Insured shows on the balance of probabilities that its non-compliance with the condition did not cause or contribute to the injury, loss, damage or liability which occurred.

Policy Exclusions

Applicable unless stated to the contrary under Exclusions in the Sections

This Policy does not cover

1 Territorial Limits

Loss, destruction, damage, injury or liability arising out of any occurrence outside Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, except where stated to the contrary.

2 War (not applicable to the Employers' Liability Section)

Loss, destruction, damage, death, injury, disablement or liability or any consequential loss occasioned by war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power.

3 Radioactive Contamination

Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss or any legal 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 properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.
- c** any weapon or other device utilizing radioactive material and/or matter and/or ionising radiation and/or atomic or nuclear fission and/or fusion or other like reaction
- d** the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any radioactive matter

Exclusions **a** and **b** do not apply to Section 3 – Employers' Liability other than in respect of

- i** the liability of any principal
- ii** liability assumed by the Insured under a contract or agreement which would not have attached in the absence of such contract or agreement.

Exclusions **c** and **d** do not apply to Section 2 – Property Owners Liability and Section 3 – Employers' Liability

4 Sonic Bangs

Loss, destruction or damage directly occasioned by pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

5 Northern Ireland

Loss, destruction, damage or 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 loss, destruction, damage or any consequential loss by fire or explosion) strikers, locked out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons.

6 Changes in Water Table

Loss, destruction, damage attributable solely to changes in the water table level.

7 E-Risks

- a** loss or destruction of or damage to any Computer Equipment (as defined below) consisting of or caused directly or indirectly by:
 - i** programming or operator error whether by the Insured or any other person
 - ii** Virus or Similar Mechanism (as defined below)
 - iii** Hacking (as defined below)
 - iv** malicious persons
 - v** failure of external networks

unless, in respect of **i**, **ii** and **iii** above, such loss or destruction or damage results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion

- b** any financial loss or expense of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to business interruption, resulting directly or indirectly from the type of loss or destruction or damage described in paragraph **a**. of this Exclusion unless, in respect of **a. i**, **ii** or **iii** above, the financial loss or expense results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion
- c** loss or destruction of or damage to any property other than Computer Equipment where it arises directly or indirectly out of loss or destruction of or damage to any Computer Equipment of the type described in paragraph **a**. of this Exclusion unless, in respect of loss or damage to other property arising from **a. i**, **ii** or **iii** above, resulting from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion

- d** loss or destruction of or damage either to Computer Equipment or any other property where it consists of or arises directly or indirectly out of:
- i** the erasure, loss, distortion, corruption or unauthorised access to or modification of information on computer systems or other records, programs or software by rioters, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or civil commotions, or malicious persons
 - ii** the erasure, loss, distortion, corruption or unauthorised access to or modification of information on computer systems or other records, programs or software due to any cause not included in **d i** above
 - iii** any misinterpretation, use or misuse of information on computer systems or other records, programs or software
- unless, in respect of **d ii** and **iii** above, such loss, destruction or damage results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion
- e** any financial loss or expense of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to business interruption, where it arises directly or indirectly from the type of loss or destruction or damage described in paragraphs **c** and **d** of this Exclusion unless, in respect of **c**, **d ii** and **iii** above, the financial loss or expense results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion.

For the purpose of this Exclusion:

Computer Equipment – means computer equipment, component, system or item which processes, stores, transmits or retrieves data, or any part thereof, whether the property of the Insured or not, whether tangible or intangible and including without limitation any information, programs or software.

Virus or Similar Mechanism – means any program code, programming instruction or other set of instructions intentionally constructed with the ability to damage, interfere with or otherwise adversely affect computer programs, data files or operations (whether involving self replication or not), including but not limited to ‘Trojan Horses’, ‘Worms’ or ‘Logic Bombs’.

Hacking – means unauthorised access to any computer or computer equipment, component, system or item, whether the property of the Insured or not, which processes, stores, transmits or retrieves data.

8 Terrorism

- a** in respect of England, Wales and Scotland but not the territorial seas adjacent thereto as defined in the Territorial Sea Act 1987:
- loss or destruction or damage or consequential loss of whatsoever nature, directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with
- i** any Act of Terrorism, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to such Act of Terrorism
 - ii** any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing any Act of Terrorism, or in any other way related to such Act of Terrorism

In respect of **a** above an Act of Terrorism (Terrorism) means:–

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.

- b** in respect of territories other than those stated in **a** above
- loss or destruction or damage or any consequential loss of whatsoever nature, directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with
- i** any act of Terrorism, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to such act of Terrorism
 - ii** any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing any act of Terrorism, or in any way related to such act of Terrorism

In respect of **b** above an act of Terrorism (Terrorism) means:–

An act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or put the public or any section of the public in fear

In any action suit or other proceedings where the Insurer alleges that by reason of this exclusion any loss or destruction or damage or any consequential loss is not covered (or is covered only up to a specified limit of liability), the burden of proving to the contrary shall be upon the Insured.

In the event any part of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in force and effect.

Section 1 – Property Damage

Definitions

Damage

Loss or destruction of or damage to Property Insured.

Premises

The Buildings at the address or addresses stated in the Schedule, including their grounds, all within the boundaries for which the Insured are responsible.

Cover

The Insurer will pay the Insured for Damage to Property Insured at the Premises described in the Schedule by any of the Events operative under this Section and not otherwise excluded occurring during the period of insurance.

Events

- 1 **Fire**, excluding Damage caused
 - a by explosion resulting from fire
 - b by earthquake or subterranean fire
 - c by its own spontaneous fermentation or heating, or its undergoing any heating process or any process involving the application of heat
- Lightning**
- Explosion**
 - a of boilers
 - b of gas

used for domestic purposes only, but excluding any Damage caused by earthquake or subterranean fire.
- 2 **Explosion**, excluding Damage
 - a caused by or consisting of the bursting by steam pressure of a boiler (not being a boiler used for domestic purposes only), economiser or other vessel, machine or apparatus belonging to the Insured or under the control of the Insured, in which internal pressure is due to steam only
 - b in respect of and originating in any vessel, machinery or apparatus or its contents, belonging to the Insured or under the control of the Insured, which requires to be examined to comply with any statutory regulations, unless there is in force a policy of insurance or other contract providing the required inspection service.
- 3 **Aircraft** or other aerial devices or articles dropped from them.
- 4 **Riot, Civil Commotion, strikers, locked out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or Malicious Persons**, excluding:
 - a Damage arising from nationalisation, confiscation, requisition, seizure or destruction by the Government or any public authority
 - b Damage arising from cessation of work
 - c Damage
 - i by theft or attempted theft
 - ii in respect of any Building which is Unoccupied directly caused by malicious persons not acting on behalf of or in connection with any political organisation, but the Insurer will pay for such Damage caused by fire or explosion.
- 5 **Earthquake**.
- 6 **Subterranean fire**.
- 7 **Storm, tempest or flood**, excluding
 - a Damage by frost, subsidence, ground heave or landslip
 - b Damage in respect of fences, gates or moveable Property in the open
 - c Damage to open-fronted or open-sided Buildings or to Property contained therein.
- 8 **Escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe**, excluding Damage by water discharged or leaking from any automatic sprinkler installation.
- 9 **Impact** by any road vehicle or animal.
- 10 **Sprinkler leakage**

Accidental escape of water from any automatic sprinkler installation in the Buildings not caused by explosion, earthquake, subterranean fire or heat caused by fire.
- 11 **Theft or attempted theft** excluding
 - a Damage expedited or in any way brought about by the Insured or any partner, director or employee of the Insured
 - b the first £500 of each claim in respect of Damage caused by a Resident to the portion of the buildings in which they reside
 - c Damage to garden landscaping and paving, garden furniture, trees and plants
 - d Damage to Contents unless there has been forcible and violent entry to or exit from the Building.

12 Subsidence, ground heave or landslip of any part of the Premises on which the Property Insured stands excluding

- a Damage caused by collapse, cracking, shrinkage, expansion or settlement of Buildings or any part thereof
- b Damage caused by coastal or river erosion
- c Damage caused by defective design or workmanship or the use of defective materials including inadequate construction of foundations
- d Damage caused by settlement or movement of made up ground
- e Damage caused by the normal settlement or bedding down of new structures
- f Damage to solid floor slabs or resulting from their movement unless the foundations beneath the external walls of the buildings are Damaged at the same time and from the same cause
- g Damage to yards, car parks, roads, pavements, Landlords Fixtures and Fittings, security lighting and cameras, walls, gates fences, fixed fuel oil tanks and fixed diesel tanks, piping, ducting, cables, wires and associated control gears and accessories, paved areas or footpaths unless a building insured by this Section is damaged by the same cause at the same time
- h Damage which originates prior to the inception of this cover
- i Damage caused by demolition, construction, structural alteration or repair to any Buildings or groundworks or excavation at the same Premises
- j Events 1, 2, 5, 6 or 8 of this Section.

Subsidence Condition

The Insured shall notify the Insurer immediately if they become aware of any demolition, groundworks, excavation or construction being carried out on the same or any adjoining site. The Insurer shall then have the right to vary the terms or cancel cover in respect of subsidence, ground heave or landslip.

13 Accidental damage, excluding

- a Damage caused by or consisting of or arising from or attributable to
 - i any of the Events
 - ii any of the exclusions to the Events specified in Events 1 to 12, whether Events 1 to 12 are insured or not

- b Damage caused by or consisting of inherent vice, latent defect, gradual deterioration, wear and tear, frost, its own faulty or defective design or materials but this shall not exclude Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- c Damage caused by or consisting of faulty or defective workmanship, operational error or omission by the Insured or any employee of the Insured but this shall not exclude
 - i such Damage not otherwise excluded which itself results from an Insured Event
 - ii subsequent Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- d acts of fraud or dishonesty by any partner, director or employee of the Insured but this shall not exclude such Damage not otherwise excluded which itself results from Events 1 to 12 and 14 of this Section
- e Damage caused by or consisting of corrosion, rust, wet or dry rot, shrinkage, evaporation, loss of weight, dampness, dryness, marring, scratching, vermin or insects, change in temperature, colour, flavour, texture or finish but this shall not exclude
 - i such Damage not otherwise excluded which itself results from Events 1 to 12 and 14 of this Section
 - ii subsequent Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- f Damage consisting of joint leakage, failure of welds, cracking, fracturing, collapse or overheating of boilers, economisers, super-heaters, pressure vessels or any range of steam and feed piping connected to them, mechanical or electrical breakdown or derangement in respect of the particular machine, apparatus or equipment in which such breakdown or derangement originates but this shall not exclude
 - i such Damage not otherwise excluded which itself results from Events 1 to 12 and 14 of this Section
 - ii subsequent Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- g Damage caused by disappearance, unexplained or inventory shortage or the misfiling or misplacing of information
- h Damage to any Building or structure caused by its own collapse or cracking, but this shall not exclude such destruction or damage resulting from other Damage in so far as it is not otherwise excluded
- i Damage in respect of fences, gates and moveable Property in the open caused by wind, rain, hail, sleet, snow or dust

- j Damage resulting from Property Insured undergoing any process of production, packing, treatment, testing, commissioning, service or repair
- k Damage in respect of
 - i jewellery, precious stones or precious metals, bullion, furs, curiosities, works of art or rare books
 - ii Property in transit
 - iii glass (other than fixed glass), sanitaryware (other than fixed sanitaryware), china, earthenware, marble or other fragile or brittle objects but this shall not exclude Damage which itself results from Events 1 to 12 in so far as it is not otherwise excluded
 - iv Money, bonds or securities of any description
- l Damage to
 - i vehicles licenced for road use (including accessories on them), caravans, trailers, railway locomotives, rolling stock, watercraft or aircraft
 - ii Property or structures in course of construction or erection and materials or supplies in connection with all such Property or structures
 - iii land, roads, pavements, piers, jetties, bridges, culverts or excavations
 - iv livestock, growing crops or trees but this shall not exclude such Property specifically described in the Schedule

14 Escape of Oil from any fixed heating installation excluding

- a Damage unless caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident which has taken place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the Period of Insurance
- b the value of the oil

Basis of Settlement

The Insurer will pay the Insured the value of the Property Insured at the time of its loss or destruction, or the amount of the Damage, or at the Insurer's option will reinstate or replace such Property or any part of such Property.

The most the Insurer will pay for any one claim is

- a the Total Sum Insured, or for each item its individual Sum Insured, or any other limit of liability in this Section whichever is the less at the time of Damage

- b the amount of the Sum Insured or Limit of Liability remaining after deduction for any other Damage occurring during the same Period of Insurance, unless the Insurer agrees to reinstate any such Sum Insured or Limit of Liability.

Automatic Reinstatement

In the absence of written notice by the Insurer to the contrary, in consideration of Sums Insured or Limits of Liability not being reduced by the amount of any claim, the Insured will pay the appropriate additional premium on the amount of the claim from the date of Damage to expiry of the Period of Insurance, but this shall not apply in respect of theft or attempted theft.

Basis of Settlement Adjustments

In calculating the most the Insurer will pay for any one claim, adjustments shall be made in accordance with the following clauses.

1 Reinstatement (Day One Basis)

- a Subject to the Special Conditions set out below, the basis on which the amount payable for Buildings and Contents is to be calculated will be the reinstatement of the Property lost, destroyed or damaged. For this purpose "reinstatement" means
 - i the rebuilding or replacement of Property lost or destroyed which, provided the Insurer's liability is not increased, may be carried out
 - a in any manner suitable to the requirements of the Insured
 - b on another site
 - ii the repair or restoration of Property damaged

in either case to a condition equivalent to, or substantially the same as, but no better or more extensive than its condition when new.

- b The Declared Value (shown in brackets below the Sum Insured), having been stated by the Insured, has been used to calculate the premium.

Declared Value

The assessment by the Insured of the cost of reinstatement of Property Insured arrived at in accordance with paragraph 1.a.i. at the level of costs applying at inception of the Period of Insurance (ignoring inflationary factors which may subsequently operate), together with, to the extent that cover provides, due allowance for

- i any additional cost of reinstatement to comply with public authorities regulations, bye-laws or stipulations

- ii Professional Fees
- iii Removal of Debris costs.

Special Conditions

- 1 At inception of each Period of Insurance, the Insured shall notify the Insurer of the Declared Value of Property Insured. In the absence of such declaration the last amount declared by the Insured will be taken as the Declared Value for the new Period of Insurance, appropriately adjusted by Index Linking.
- 2 The Insurer's liability for the repair or restoration of Property damaged in part only, shall not exceed the amount which would have been payable if such Property had been wholly destroyed.
- 3 No payment beyond the amount the Insurer would have paid 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 where Property Insured at the time of Damage is covered by any other insurance effected by the Insured, or on behalf of the Insured, which is not on the same basis of reinstatement.
- 4 All the terms and conditions of this Section and of the Policy shall apply
 - a to any claim payable under the provisions of this clause, other than where they are expressly varied by the terms of this clause
 - b where claims are payable as if this clause had not been incorporated, except that Sums Insured will be limited to 115% of Declared Values.

2 Index Linking

Sums Insured and/or Declared Values will be adjusted to take into account movements in the appropriate index and renewal premiums will be based on the adjusted Sums Insured and/or Declared Values.

For Buildings, the General Building Cost Index issued by the Building Cost Information Service of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors or for residential Premises the Household Rebuilding Cost Index issued by the Association of British Insurers (or some other suitable index the Insurer decides upon) will be used.

For Contents of Common Parts and All Other Contents shown and/or described in the Schedule, the Retail Price Index (or some other suitable index the Insurer decides upon) will be used.

The above percentage changes will continue to be applied between the date of any Damage and the date when replacement or repair has been completed.

3 This clause is left intentionally blank

4 Public Authorities (including undamaged Property)

Subject to the Special Conditions set out below, cover for Buildings and Contents includes an amount in respect of any additional cost of reinstatement which is incurred solely by reason of the necessity to comply with building or other regulations under or framed in pursuance of any Act of Parliament, with bye-laws of any public authority or to comply with the stipulations of European Union legislation, in respect of

- lost, destroyed or damaged Property
- undamaged portions of such Property

excluding

- a the cost incurred in complying with such regulations, bye-laws or stipulations
 - i in respect of Damage occurring prior to the granting of this cover
 - ii in respect of Damage not covered by this Section
 - iii under which notice has been served upon the Insured before the date of the Damage
 - iv in respect of undamaged Property other than undamaged portions of Property lost, destroyed or damaged
- b the additional cost that would have been required to make good the Property lost, destroyed or damaged to a condition equal to its condition when new, had the necessity to comply with such regulations, bye-laws or stipulations not arisen
- c the amount of any charge or assessment arising out of capital appreciation, which may be payable in respect of the Property, by reason of compliance with any such regulations, bye-laws or stipulations.

Special Conditions

- 1 The work of reinstatement must be commenced and carried out without unreasonable delay and in any case must be completed within twelve months after the Damage, or within such further time as the Insurer may allow, and may be carried out upon another site (if such regulations, by-laws or stipulations so necessitate), subject to there being no resulting increase in the liability of the Insurer.
- 2 If the liability of the Insurer is reduced by the application of any of the terms and conditions of this Section or of the Policy (other than as a result of this clause) the liability of the Insurer under this clause will be reduced in proportion.
- 3 The most the Insurer will pay for any one claim in respect of undamaged portions of Property other than foundations is 15% of the total amount for which the Insurer would have been liable had the Property been wholly destroyed.
- 4 All the terms and conditions of this Section and of the Policy shall apply to any claim payable under the provisions of this clause, other than where they are expressly varied by the terms of this clause.

5 Sprinkler Installation Upgrading Costs

If, following Damage, the Insurer requires the upgrading of any automatic sprinkler installation in order that at the time of its reinstatement such installation will conform to Loss Prevention Council Rules current at the time of reinstatement, the Insurer will pay the costs incurred by the Insured provided that at the time of the Damage the installation conformed to the 29th Edition Rules for Automatic Sprinkler Installations issued by the Loss Prevention Council at the time of original installation but did not conform to subsequent amendments to such rules.

6 Alterations and Additions

To the extent that they are not otherwise insured, Buildings and Contents items include

- a alterations, additions and improvements (but not appreciation in value in excess of Sums Insured) to Buildings and Contents
- b any newly acquired or newly erected Buildings and Contents

within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, for no more than 20% of the Sum Insured for each item covered, or £500,000 in total, whichever is the less, at any one Premises or at any one newly acquired address elsewhere than at the Premises, provided that the Insured shall give details of such alterations and additions to the Insurer within ninety days of the commencement date of the Insured's responsibility, effect specific cover retrospective to such date and pay the appropriate additional premium.

7 Professional Fees

Sums Insured and/or Declared Values for Buildings include an amount in respect of Architects', Surveyors', Legal and Consulting Engineers' fees, other than where an item covering such fees is specifically shown in the Schedule.

Cover applies only to those fees necessarily and reasonably incurred in consequence of Damage, in the reinstatement or repair of Property Insured.

8 Removal of Debris Costs

Sums Insured and/or Declared Values for Buildings and Contents include an amount in respect of removal of debris costs, other than where an item covering such costs is specifically shown in the Schedule.

Cover applies only to those costs necessarily and reasonably incurred in consequence of Damage, in

- a removing debris
- b dismantling and demolishing
- c shoring up or propping
- d clearing, cleaning and/or repairing drains, gutters, sewers and the like for which the Insured are responsible.

The Insurer will not pay for any costs or expenses incurred in removing debris other than from the site of such Property lost, destroyed or damaged and the area immediately adjacent to such site arising from pollution or contamination of property not insured by this Section.

9 Removal of Debris Costs – Residents Contents

To the extent that they are not otherwise insured, cover includes unrecoverable costs necessarily incurred with the Insurers consent, in consequence of Damage, in removing debris in respect of Contents for which the Insured are not responsible, up to an amount of £5,000 any one claim.

The Insurer will not pay for any costs

- a incurred in removing debris other than from the site of such Property Damage and the area immediately adjacent to such site
- b arising from pollution or contamination of property not covered by this Section.

10 Temporary Removal

Property Insured is covered whilst temporarily removed for cleaning, renovation, repair or similar purposes to any address elsewhere than at the Premises, including whilst in transit, within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

The Insurer will not pay for

- a such Property more specifically insured
- b Damage to vehicles licenced for road use, in so far as they are insured by this Section, occurring elsewhere than at the Premises
- c more than 15% of the Sum Insured for each item covered, for Damage occurring elsewhere than at the Premises.

11 Temporary Removal – Documents

If deeds and other documents (including stamps on them), manuscripts, plans and writings of every description, books and other business records are included in the Property Insured, such items are covered whilst temporarily removed to any address elsewhere than at the Premises, including whilst in transit within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

The Insurer will not pay for

- a such items more specifically insured
- b more than 10% of the figure stated within the definition of All Other Contents for computer systems records
- c more than 10% of the All Other Contents Sum Insured stated on the Schedule.

12 Contracting Purchasers

The Insurer agrees that without prejudice to the rights and liabilities of the Insured or the Insurer, if at the time of Damage the Insured have contracted to sell their interest in any building covered, and the purchase has not been but shall afterwards be completed, the purchasers on completion of the purchase shall be entitled to benefit under this Section until completion, except in so far as such building is more specifically insured by or on behalf of the purchaser.

13 Fixed Glass

Following Damage to fixed glass the Insurer will pay the cost of

- a any necessary temporary boarding-up of broken glass pending full replacement
- b removing and re-fixing window fittings and other obstacles to replacing broken glass and replacing alarm foil on glass
- c Damage to framework and to Contents caused by broken glass.

The Insurer will not pay for Damage existing prior to inception of this Policy.

14 Freeholders, Lessors and Mortgagees

When the interest of any Freeholder, Lessor or Mortgagee has been noted in Property Insured covered by this Section, the Insurer agrees that this Section shall not be invalidated by any act, omission, alteration or neglect of or by the Leaseholder, Lessee or Mortgagor unknown to or beyond the control of the Freeholder, Lessor or Mortgagee, by which the risk of Damage is increased, provided that the Freeholder, Lessor or Mortgagee shall give notice to the Insurer (and pay an additional premium if required) immediately they become aware of such act, omission, alteration or neglect.

15 Locks and Keys

The Insurer will pay the cost of replacing keys, locks or lock mechanisms necessary to maintain the security of the Premises following theft of keys by force or violence from within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands from any director, partner or employee of the Insured authorised to hold such keys, up to an amount of £2,500 for any one claim.

16 Fire Extinguishers, Sprinklers and Security Equipment

The Insurer will pay the reasonable costs incurred by the Insured in

- a re-filling, recharging or replacing any fire extinguishers, local or fixed fire suppression or gas flooding systems, sprinkler installations and sprinkler heads
- b having any fire and/or intruder alarms and closed circuit television equipment re-set in consequence of Damage, provided that
 - i the Insured maintain all such equipment under contract and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions with a maintenance company acceptable to the Insurer
 - ii the Insurer shall not be liable in respect of any costs and expenses recoverable from the maintenance company from the fire service
 - iii the liability of the Insurer in respect of any one claim shall not exceed £10,000.

17 Landscaped Grounds and Emergency Vehicles

Costs incurred by the Insured in consequence of Damage to Property Insured at the Premises

- a in restoring landscaped grounds to their original appearance when first laid out and planted, but excluding costs arising due to the failure of trees, shrubs, plants, turf and the like to germinate or become established
- b reinstating or repairing landscaped gardens and grounds following Damage caused by the emergency services vehicles, equipment or personnel in the course of carrying out their duties

up to an amount of £25,000 any one Period of Insurance.

18 Metered Supplies

Cover includes additional water, gas, electricity or other metered supply charges incurred by the Insured in consequence of Damage, and for which the Insured are legally responsible, up to an amount of £5,000 any one claim, and £25,000 any one Period of Insurance.

The Insurer will not pay for such charges incurred in respect of any Building which is Unoccupied.

The basis on which the amount payable is to be calculated will be the amount of the suppliers' charges for the period following the Damage, less the charge paid by the Insured for the corresponding period in the preceding year, adjusted for changes in the suppliers' charges and for variations affecting supply consumption by the Insured.

19 Unauthorised Use of Supplies

Cover includes the cost of water, gas, electricity or other metered supply charges incurred by the Insured and for which the Insured are legally responsible, up to an amount of £25,000 any one claim, due to unauthorised use by persons taking possession of, keeping possession of or occupying any Building without the written consent of the Insured, provided that

- a the Insured shall take all practicable steps to terminate such unauthorised use as soon as it is discovered
- b Policy Condition 13 has been complied with by the Insured
- c immediate notification of such possession is given to the Insurer upon the Insured becoming aware of it.

20 Trace and Access

In the event of Damage in consequence of escape of water or fuel oil from any tank, apparatus or pipe, the Insurer will pay the costs necessarily and reasonably incurred by the Insured in locating the source of such Damage, and in the subsequent making good of Damage caused as a consequence of locating such source, up to an amount of £50,000 any one Period of Insurance.

21 Alternative Residential Accommodation

If as a result of insured Damage residential Buildings or parts of residential Buildings are rendered unfit to live in, or access to them is denied, to the extent that they are not otherwise insured the Insurer will pay the costs of reasonable alternative accommodation and temporary storage of residents furniture and the costs of reasonable accommodation in kennels and/or catteries for residents dogs and/or cats, if dogs and/or cats are not permitted in such residents alternative accommodation.

The Insurer will not pay for such costs in excess of 33.3% of the Buildings Sum Insured applying to the Buildings or to the parts of the Building Damaged.

22 Seventy Two Hours Clause

Damage occurring within 72 consecutive hours of and arising from Event 7 (Storm, Tempest or Flood) is deemed to be one claim. The Insured have the right to select the moment from which the 72-hour period shall be deemed to have commenced within the terms of this Section, provided that such Damage occurred prior to expiry of the Period of Insurance.

23 Clearance of Drains

Cover includes the cost incurred to clear drains, gutters and sewers owned by the Insured or for which the Insured is responsible, as a consequence of Damage occurring to the Building, up to an amount of £1,000 any one Period of Insurance.

24 Tree Felling and Lopping

Cover includes costs incurred by the Insured, up to an amount of £2,500 any one claim, in removing or lopping trees which are an immediate threat to the safety of life or of Damage to the Property Insured.

The Insurer will not pay for:

- a Legal or Local Authority costs involved in removing trees
- b costs incurred solely to comply with a Preservation Order.

25 Fences and Gates

Notwithstanding Exclusion b under Event 7 of this Section, cover is extended to include Damage by storm, tempest or flood in respect of fences and gates up to an amount of £250 any one claim.

26 Garden Furniture

Notwithstanding Exclusion b under Event 7 of this Section, cover is extended to include Damage by storm, tempest or flood in respect of garden furniture up to an amount of £5,000 any one claim.

27 Loss of Rent

Cover includes Rent which ceases to be paid to or be payable to the Insured following Damage to the Property Insured by Section 1 – Property Damage excluding any amount exceeding 33.3% of the Buildings Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

For the purposes of this Extension, Rent shall mean the money paid or payable to the Insured by Residents for accommodation provided and services rendered at the Premises.

28 Other Interests

The interest is noted in respect of any Building or Flat of all parties who have an interest in such property.

29 Contractors Interest

When the Insured is required by the terms or conditions of any contract to cover Buildings in the joint names of the Insured and of any contractor or subcontractor named in such contract, the Insurer agrees to note such joint interests provided that the Insured shall notify the Insurer of details of any single contract valued at £100,000 or more in advance of commencement of the work, and pay any additional premium the Insurer may require.

30 Contract Works

Cover for Buildings and Contents includes any permanent or temporary works undertaken in performance of any contract, including all unfixed materials and goods delivered to or placed on or adjacent to the Premises and intended for incorporation in such Contract Works, all for which the Insured are responsible under the terms of the contract up to an amount of £100,000 any one contract.

31 Interested Parties

The Insurer agrees

- a that without prejudice to rights and liabilities of the Insured or the Insurer, if at the time of Damage the Insured have contracted to sell their interest in any Building(s) covered, and the purchase has not been but shall afterwards be completed, the purchasers on completion of the purchase shall be entitled to benefit under this Section until completion, except in so far as such Building(s) is more specifically insured by or on behalf of the purchaser
- b to note the interest of any party notifying their interest in any of the Property Insured in writing, the nature and extent of such interest to be disclosed in the event of Damage.

32 Removal of Vermin or Nests

Cover includes costs incurred by the Insured, up to an amount of £5,000 any one claim, in removing Vermin or Vermin nests from Buildings at the Premises on the request of the local authority. For the sake of this extension, Vermin shall mean; Rats, mice, grey squirrels, owls, pigeons, foxes, bees, wasps or hornets.

33 Fly Tipping

The insurance by each item on Buildings extends to include costs necessarily and reasonably incurred in clearing and removing any property illegally deposited in on or around the Premises provided that

- a** the liability of the Insurer shall not exceed £5,000 any one claim
- b** the Insurer shall not be liable for the amount of the Excess shown in the Schedule or £500 whichever is the greater.

34 Eviction of Squatters

The Insured will pay legal costs and expenses payable to a lawyer or other suitably qualified person who has been appointed to act for the Insured with the Insurer's written agreement in any civil action to evict anyone in the Property Insured who does not have the Insured's permission to be there.

All legal proceedings will be dealt with by a Court or other body that The Insurer agrees to within the United Kingdom, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

The Insurer will not pay costs and expenses

- a** for any dispute where the cause arises within 90 days of the inception date of this Clause under this policy
- b** for any dispute where the cause of the action involves the Resident
- c** for any dispute which is recoverable under the Commercial Legal Expenses Section of this Policy
- d** more specifically insured elsewhere.

The maximum the Insurer will pay in any one claim is £5,000.

Section Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions apply to this Section and in addition the Insurer will not pay for:

1 Pollution or Contamination

Loss, destruction or damage caused by pollution or contamination, but the Insurer will pay for Damage not otherwise excluded caused by

- a pollution or contamination which itself results from an insured Event
- b any insured Event which itself results from pollution or contamination.

2 Marine Policies

Property which at the time of the happening of Damage is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any marine policy or policies, but the Insurer will pay any excess beyond the amount which would have been payable under such marine policy or policies had this Section not been effected.

3 Computer Date Exclusion

Damage directly or indirectly caused by or consisting of or arising from the failure of any computer or other equipment or system for processing, storing or retrieving data, whether the property of the Insured or not, and whether occurring before, during or after the year 2000, to achieve any or all of the purposes and consequential effects intended by the use of any number to denote a date including the failure

- a correctly to recognise any date as its true calendar date
- b to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore and/or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data or information or command or instruction as result of treating any date otherwise than its true calendar date

- c to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore and/or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data or information as a result of the operation of any command which has been programmed into any computer software or firmware, being a command which causes the loss of data or the inability to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore, correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data on or after any date

but in respect of Section 1 Property Damage only the insurance will pay for any subsequent Damage which is not otherwise excluded and which itself results from Events 1 to 8 of Section 1 Property Damage.

4 Specific Insurances

Any Property more specifically insured by or on behalf of the Insured.

5 Works of Art

Damage to painting, prints and works of art with a value in excess of £5,000 any one item.

6 Consequential Loss

Consequential loss of any kind or description.

7 Mobile Phone Masts

Damage caused by and caused to mobile phone masts erected on the Premises.

8 Electrical Apparatus or Fittings

Damage to any particular piece of electrical apparatus or fitting which has caused a fire due to self ignition, over running, excessive pressure, short circuiting, self heating or leakage of electricity

9 Excess

The amount of Excess specified in the Schedule.

Section Conditions

The Policy Conditions apply to this Section and in addition the following:

1 Alteration

Unless the Insurer agrees in writing, cover under this Section shall automatically cease in respect of any of the Property Insured

- a which is disposed of or removed
- b in which the interest of the Insured ceases other than by will or operation of law
- c in respect of subsidence, ground heave or landslip by any demolition, construction, ground works or excavation work being carried out on any adjoining site

during the Period of Insurance.

2 Reinstatement

If any property is to be reinstated or replaced by the Insurer, the Insured shall at their own expense provide all plans, documents, books and information as may reasonably be required. The Insurer shall not be bound to reinstate exactly, but only as circumstances permit, and in a reasonably sufficient manner, and shall not in any case be bound to expend for any one item of this Section more than its Sum Insured.

3 Felt Roof Condition

If any Building has a felt roof where the mineral felt surface has not been replaced for 7 years, then this roof must be inspected annually by a competent roofing contractor prior to the month of October each year and evidence of such inspection and any remedial work following such inspection should be kept and produced if requested by the Insurer.

Section 2 – Property Owners Liability

Definitions

Act of Terrorism

Any act including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or threat thereof of any person or group(s) of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s) committed for political religious ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or put the public or any section of the public in fear.

Asbestos

Asbestos or fibres or particles of asbestos or any material containing asbestos.

Business

The Business specified in the Schedule conducted solely from Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands and including

- a the ownership, maintenance and repair of premises used in connection therewith
- b the provision and management of canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations for the benefit of Employees and the ambulance, first aid, fire, medical and security services of the Insured
- c the execution of private duties by Employees for any partner, director or senior official of the Insured.

Employee

- a any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with the Insured
- b any of the following persons whilst working for the Insured in connection with the Business
 - i any labour master or labour only subcontractor or person supplied by him
 - ii any self-employed person providing labour only
 - iii any trainee or person undergoing work experience
 - iv any voluntary helper
 - v any person who is borrowed by or hired to the Insured.

Injury

- a bodily injury, death, disease, illness, mental injury or nervous shock
- b invasion of the right of privacy, false arrest, false imprisonment, false eviction or malicious prosecution of any person.

Offshore Installations

- a any 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 any installation in the sea or tidal waters which is intended for the storage or recovery of gas
- c any pipe or system of pipes in the sea or tidal waters
- d any installation which is intended to provide accommodation for persons who work on or from the locations specified in Definition 7a, 7b or 7c above.

Pollution or Contamination

- a all pollution or contamination of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere; and
- b all Injury or Damage directly or indirectly caused by such pollution or contamination.

All Pollution or Contamination, which arises out of or in connection with one incident, shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place.

Products

Any goods or other property (including their containers, packaging, labelling and instructions for use) sold, supplied, delivered, installed, erected, repaired, altered, treated or tested by the Insured in connection with the Business and not in the charge or control of the Insured.

Territorial Limits

- a Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands
- b any other member country of the European Union
- c elsewhere in the world in respect of Injury or Damage caused by or arising from
 - i non-manual activities of any partner, director or Employee of the Insured normally resident within the territories specified in Definition 4a above and occurring during any journey or temporary visit
 - ii Products.

Cover

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured against legal liability to pay compensation and claimants' costs and expenses in respect of accidental

- a Injury to any person
- b Damage to material property
- c nuisance, trespass, obstruction or interference with any right of way, light, air or water

occurring within the Territorial Limits during the Period of Insurance in connection with the Business.

Costs and Expenses

The Insurer will also pay costs and expenses incurred by the Insurer or with the written consent of the Insurer

- a in connection with the defence of any claim
- b for representation of the Insured
 - i at any coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry in respect of death
 - ii at proceedings in any court of summary jurisdiction or on indictment in any higher court in respect of any alleged breach of statutory duty resulting in Injury or loss or damage

which may be the subject of indemnity under this Section.

Limit of Indemnity

- a The Insurer's liability for all compensation payable in respect of
 - i any one occurrence or all occurrences of a series consequent on or attributable to one source or original cause
 - ii all Injury, loss and damage occurring during any one Period of Insurance and caused by and arising from Products
 - iii all Pollution or Contamination which is deemed to have occurred during any one Period of Insurance

shall not exceed the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule.

- b In respect of all claims against the Insured made within the legal jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada or any dependency or trust territory the Limit of Indemnity shall be inclusive of the amount of all
 - i claimants' costs and expenses
 - ii costs and expenses incurred by the Insurer or with the written consent of the Insurer in connection with the defence of such claims.

Provided that

- a in respect of an Act of Terrorism the Limit of Indemnity shall not exceed the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule or £5,000,000 (whichever is the lesser). If the Insurer alleges that by reason of this limitation any loss damage cost or expense is not covered the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the Insured
- b in respect of the indemnity provided under this Section for Extension 12 – Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007– Legal Defence Costs
 - i the liability of the Insurer shall not exceed £5,000,000 or the Limit of Indemnity (whichever is lesser) in any one Period of Insurance
 - ii all amounts payable will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity
 - iii where the Insurer has already indemnified the Insured in respect of legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of criminal proceedings (including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings) arising out of the same cause or occurrence which gave rise to said proceedings under another Section of the Policy the amount paid under that Section shall contribute to the maximum amount payable under this Section.

Extensions (Subject to the terms, limits, conditions and exclusions of this Section and the Policy)

1 Indemnity to Other Parties

If the Insured so request the Insurer will indemnify the following parties

- a any officer or committee member or other member of the Insured's canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations or ambulance, first aid, fire, medical or security services against liability incurred in such capacity
- b any partner, director or Employee of the Insured against liability incurred in such capacity and in respect of which the Insured would have been entitled to indemnity under this Section if the claim had been made against the Insured as though each party were individually named as the Insured in this Section
- c any principal for whom the Insured have agreed to execute work under contract or agreement against liability arising out of the performance of such work by the Insured and in respect of which the Insured are legally liable and would have been entitled to indemnity under this Section if the claim had been made against the Insured.

Provided that

- i each such party shall observe fulfil and be subject to the terms and conditions of this Section in so far as they can apply
- ii the Insurer's liability to the Insured and all parties indemnified shall not exceed in total the Limit of Indemnity specified in the Schedule.

2 Joint Insured – Cross Liabilities

If more than one party is named as the Insured this Section shall apply as though each were insured separately provided that the Insurer's liability to all parties indemnified shall not exceed in total the Limit of Indemnity shown in the Schedule.

3 Overseas Personal Liability

The Business is extended to include personal activities (not connected with any gainful occupation or profession nor with the ownership or tenure of any land or building) of any partner, director or Employee of the Insured or family member of such partner, director or Employee normally resident within the territories specified in Definition 4.a. in the course of any journey or temporary visit to any other country made in connection with the Business.

4 Motor Contingent Liability

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in the terms of this Section against liability arising out of the use in connection with the Business of any vehicle not owned, provided or being driven by the Insured but this Section does not cover liability

- a in respect of Damage to such vehicle
- b arising out of any such use in any country outside the European Union
- c incurred by any party other than the Insured
- d incurred by any party identified in Extension 1 – Indemnity to Other Parties other than an Employee.

For the purpose of this cover Exclusion 1 – Injury to Employees does not apply.

5 Health and Safety at Work – Legal Defence Costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured and if the Insured so request any partner, director or Employee of the Insured in the terms of this Section in respect of

- a costs and expenses incurred with the Insurer's written consent
- b costs and expenses of the prosecution awarded against any such party

in connection with criminal proceedings or an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought in respect of any offence under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 or the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 committed or alleged to have been committed during the Period of Insurance in connection with the Business.

Provided that

- i the proceedings relate to the health, safety or welfare of any person other than an Employee
- ii the Insurer shall have the conduct and control of all the said proceedings and appeals.

The Insurer will not pay for

- a fines or penalties of any kind
- b proceedings or appeals in respect of any deliberate act or omission
- c costs or expenses insured by any other insurance.

6 Data Protection

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured and at the Insured's request any partner, director or Employee of the Insured against the sums which the Insured or any director, partner or Employee of the Insured become(s) legally liable to pay as compensation under data protection legislation for damage or distress caused in connection with the Business during the Period of Insurance provided

that the Insured is

- i a registered user in accordance with the terms of the data protection legislation
- ii not in business as a computer or data processing bureau.

The total amount payable including all costs and expenses under this Extension in respect of all claims occurring during any one Period of Insurance is limited to £100,000.

The Insurer will not pay for

- a any Damage or distress caused by any deliberate act or omission by the Insured the result of which could reasonably have been expected by the Insured having regard to the nature and circumstances of such act or omission
- b any Damage or distress caused by any act of fraud or dishonesty
- c the costs and expenses of rectifying, rewriting or erasing data
- d liability arising from the recording, processing or provision of data for reward or to determine the financial status of any person
- e the payment of fines or penalties.

7 Defective Premises Act 1972

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in the terms of this Section against liability incurred by the Insured under Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972 or Section 5 of the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 in connection with premises or land disposed of by the Insured.

Provided that this Extension does not cover

- a the costs of rectifying any damage or defect in the premises or land disposed of
- b liability for which the Insured is entitled to indemnity under any other insurance
- c liability arising out of the presence of Asbestos.

8 Consumer Protection and Food Safety Acts – Legal Defence Costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured and if the Insured so request any partner, director or Employee of the Insured in the terms of this Section in respect of legal costs and expenses incurred with the written consent of the Insurer in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings or an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought in respect of any offence under

- a Part 2 of the Consumer Protection Act 1987

or

- b Section(s) 7, 8, 14, and/or 15 of the Food Safety Act 1990

committed or alleged to have been committed during the Period of Insurance in connection with the Business

Provided that the Insurer shall have the conduct and control of all the said proceedings and appeals.

The Insurer will not pay for

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

9 Court Attendance Compensation

If during the Period of Insurance any partner, director or Employee of the Insured is required to attend court as a witness at the request of the Insurer in connection with a claim which is the subject of indemnity under this Section the Insurer will pay compensation to the Insured on the following scale for each day that attendance is required:

- i any director or partner **£750**
- ii any Employee **£250**

10 Contractual Liability

In respect of liability assumed by the Insured by a contract or agreement entered into by the Insured and which would not have attached in the absence of such contract or agreement, the indemnity provided by this Section shall only apply if the sole conduct and control of any claim is vested in the Insurer.

Provided that the Insurer shall not in any event provide indemnity

- a under Section Exclusion 9a (Products) except as stated therein
- b in respect of liquidated damages or fines or damages imposed by or payable under any penalty clause.

11 Legionellosis Liability

Exclusion 4b (Pollution or Contamination) shall not apply to any discharge, release, or escape of Legionella or other air-borne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like.

Provided that

- a the Insurer will only indemnify the Insured
 - i in respect of claims arising from Pollution or Contamination which arise out of or as a consequence of any discharge, release or escape of Legionella or other air-borne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air-conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like first made in writing to the Insured during the Period of Insurance

or

- ii if the first notification of a circumstance which has caused or is alleged to have caused Injury or Damage and can be reasonably expected to give rise to a claim arising from Pollution or Contamination which arises out of or as a consequence of any discharge, release or escape of Legionella or other air-borne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air-conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like is notified to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance or within thirty (30) days after expiry of the same Period of Insurance
- b the liability of the Insurer under this Extension for all compensation (including interest thereon) and claimants costs' and expenses payable shall not exceed £500,000 and for all claims arising from Pollution or Contamination shall not exceed the Limit of Indemnity as stated in the Schedule
- c this Extension shall not apply to any claim arising from Pollution or Contamination which arises out of or as a consequence of any discharge, release or escape of Legionella or other air-borne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air-conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like if before the Period of Insurance the Insured had become aware of circumstances which have given or may give rise to such Pollution or Contamination.

Provided that the Insurer agrees details of the specific solicitor or counsel who are to act on behalf of the Insured prior to their appointment.

The Insurer will not pay for:

- i any fines or penalties imposed on the Insured or the cost of implementing any remedial order or publicity order
- ii legal costs and expenses in connection with an appeal unless a solicitor or counsel advise that there are strong prospects of succeeding in the appeal or recovering costs awarded against the Insured at all times throughout the appeals process. Any change to such prospect of success during the appeals process may result in cover being removed
- iii costs and expenses provided by another source or any other insurance or where but for the existence of this Extension would have been provided by such source or insurance
- iv costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country other than Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man
- v costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings resulting from any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission by the Insured or any partner or director of the Insured or any Employee.

12 Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 – Legal Defence Costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in respect of

- a legal costs and expenses incurred with the prior written consent of the Insurer and
- b costs of the prosecution awarded against the Insured in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings (including any appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings) brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 or any equivalent legislation in the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man in respect of any fatal injury sustained and caused during the Period of Insurance in the course of the Business and which may be subject to indemnity under this Section

Section Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions 2 and 3 apply to this Section and in addition the Insurer will not pay for:

1 Injury to Employees

Liability in respect of Injury to any Employee arising out of and in the course of the employment or engagement of such person by the Insured.

2 Work on Offshore Installations

Liability in respect of Injury or loss or damage arising in connection with visiting, working on or travel to or from Offshore Installations.

3 Fines, penalties, liquidated, punitive, exemplary or aggravated damages

Liability in respect of

- a fines, penalties or liquidated damages
- b punitive, exemplary or aggravated damages or any damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages.

4 Pollution or Contamination

Liability in respect of

- a Pollution or Contamination occurring in the United States of America or Canada or any dependency or trust territory
- b Pollution or Contamination occurring elsewhere unless caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the Period of Insurance.

5 Mechanically Propelled Vehicles

Liability arising out of the ownership, possession or use by or on behalf of the Insured of any mechanically propelled vehicle (or trailer attached thereto) which is required by any road traffic legislation to be the subject of compulsory insurance or other security but this Exclusion shall not apply

- a while such vehicle is being used as a tool of trade (other than in respect of liability which is compulsorily insurable under road traffic legislation)
- b in respect of the loading or unloading of such vehicle or the delivery or collection of goods to or from such vehicle

except where more specifically insured by any other policy.

6 Vessels or Craft

Liability arising out of the ownership, possession or use by or on behalf of the Insured of any

- a aircraft or other aerial device made or intended to travel through air or space
- b any water-borne vessel or craft other than
 - i those used for business entertainment purposes within inland waters
 - ii hand propelled or sailing watercraft whilst within inland waters and not exceeding 75 feet in length.

7 Property in the charge or control of the Insured

Liability in respect of loss or damage to any property belonging to or in the charge or control of the Insured other than

- a personal effects or vehicles of any partner, director or Employee of or visitor to the Insured
- b premises (and their contents) not belonging, leased, rented or hired to the Insured but temporarily in the charge of the Insured for the purpose of carrying out work
- c premises (including their fixtures and fittings) leased, rented or hired to the Insured but this Section does not cover liability attaching to the Insured solely under the terms of any tenancy or other agreement.

8 Damage to Goods Supplied

Liability in respect of

- a loss or damage to any goods or other property sold, supplied, delivered, installed or erected by or on behalf of the Insured
- b all costs of or arising from the need for making good, removal, repair, rectification, replacement or recall of
 - i any such goods or property
 - ii any defective work executed by or on behalf of the Insured

except that **8 a** and **8 b i** above shall not apply to liability in respect of loss or damage to the said goods or property if such loss or damage is caused by or arises from

- 1 any alteration, repair or servicing work executed
- 2 any other goods or property sold, supplied, delivered, installed or erected

by the Insured under a separate contract.

9 Products

In respect of Injury or loss or damage caused by or arising from Products

- a any liability which attaches to the Insured solely under the terms of an agreement other than
 - i under any warranty of goods implied by law
 - ii under any indemnity clause in any agreement between the Insured and any independent carrier in respect of Injury, loss or damage caused by Products entrusted to such carrier for transit by road, rail or waterway
- b any Product installed or incorporated in any craft designed to travel in or through air or space and which to the Insured's knowledge was intended to be installed or incorporated in any such craft
- c any claim made against the Insured in any country outside the European Union in which the Insured occupy premises or are represented by any resident Employee or holder of the Insured's power of attorney.

10 Advice and Design

Liability for Injury or loss or damage arising out of or in connection with advice, design, formula, specification, inspection, certification or testing provided or performed for a fee by or on behalf of the Insured other than where provided or performed in connection with any Product.

11 Contract Works and J.C.T. Clause 21.2.1

Liability in respect of loss or damage to any property

- a comprising or to be incorporated in the contract works in respect of any contract undertaken by the Insured
- b against which the Insured are required to effect insurance under the terms of Clause 21.2.1. of the J.C.T. (R.I.B.A.) Conditions of Contract or of any other contract condition requiring insurance of a like kind.

12 Manual Work

Liability arising from or as a consequence of any manual work carried out away from any premises belonging, leased, rented or hired to the Insured other than delivery or collection.

13 Slings and Cradles

Liability for Injury or loss or damage arising out of the operation of a sling and/or cradle.

14 Computer Date Recognition

Damage or liability directly or indirectly caused by or consisting of or arising from the failure of any computer or other equipment or system for processing, storing or retrieving data, whether the property of the Insured or not, to achieve any or all of the purposes and consequential effects intended by the use of any number to denote a date including the failure

- a correctly to recognise any date as its true calendar date
- b to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore and/or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data or information or command or instruction as result of treating any date otherwise than its true calendar date
- c to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore and/or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data or information as a result of the operation of any command which has been programmed into any computer software or firmware, being a command which causes the loss of data or the inability to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore, correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data on or after any date.

15 Occupier Liability

Liability in respect of Injury, loss or damage caused by any Resident incurred solely as occupier of their Flat.

16 Excess

The amount of any third party property damage excess specified in the Schedule.

17 Asbestos

- a Liability in any way caused by, arising from or contributed to by
 - i exposure to or inhalation of Asbestos
 - ii fear of the consequences of exposure to or inhalation of Asbestos
- b Liability for the costs of management (including those of any persons under any statutory duty to manage), removal, repair, alteration, recall, replacement or reinstatement of any property arising out of the presence of Asbestos.

Section Conditions

The Policy Conditions 1–12, 14–17 inclusive apply to this Section and in addition the following:

1 Bona fide Subcontractors

In respect of work commencing within the Period of Insurance, it is a condition precedent to any liability of the Insurer in respect of Injury, loss, destruction or damage arising out of or caused by work undertaken on behalf of the Insured by bona fide subcontractors, that the Insured obtain and retain a written record that such subcontractors have in force throughout the duration of any work undertaken by them for the Insured insurance as follows:

- a Employers Liability insurance in accordance with any law relating to compulsory insurance of liability to employees
- b Public Liability insurance covering legal liability for injury to any person other than liability described in a. above and loss, destruction or damage to property with a Limit of Indemnity not less than £2,000,000.

This condition does not apply where bona fide subcontractors are engaged to carry out work on behalf of the Insured in an emergency and there is insufficient time to obtain written evidence of insurance provided that the Insured shall obtain verbal confirmation from such subcontractors that insurance as described in a. and b. above is in force and confirm such conversation in writing and retain a copy as a written record.

2 Other Insurances

The Insurer will not indemnify the Insured in respect of liability which is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any other policy or section except in respect of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other policy or section or which would have been payable under such other policy or section had this Section not been effected.

Section 3 – Employers' Liability

Definitions

Business

The Business specified in the Schedule conducted solely from Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands and including

- a the ownership, maintenance and repair of premises used in connection therewith
- b the provision and management of canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations for the benefit of Employees and the ambulance, first aid, fire, medical and security services of the Insured
- c the execution of private duties by Employees for any partner, director or senior official of the Insured.

Employee

- a any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with the Insured
- b any of the following persons whilst working for the Insured in connection with the Business
 - i any labour master or labour only subcontractor or person supplied by him
 - ii any self-employed person providing labour only
 - iii any trainee or person undergoing work experience
 - iv any voluntary helper
 - v any person who is borrowed by or hired to the Insured.

Injury

Bodily injury, death, disease, illness, mental injury or nervous shock.

Offshore Installations

- a any 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 any installation in the sea or tidal waters which is intended for the storage or recovery of gas
- c any pipe or system of pipes in the sea or tidal waters
- d any installation which is intended to provide accommodation for persons who work on or from the locations specified in Definition 5 a, 5 b or 5 c. above.

Territorial Limits

- a Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands
- b elsewhere in the world in respect of Injury sustained by any Employee resident within the territories specified in Definition 4.a. above and caused whilst such Employee is temporarily employed outside these territories provided that any action for compensation in respect of such Injury is brought in a court of law within the said territories or any other member country of the European Union.

Cover

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured against legal liability to pay compensation and claimants' costs and expenses in respect of Injury sustained by any Employee arising out of and in the course of the employment or engagement of such person by the Insured in connection with the Business and caused within the Territorial Limits during the Period of Insurance.

Cost and Expenses

The Insurer will also pay costs and expenses incurred by the Insurer or with the written consent of the Insurer

- a in connection with the defence of any claim
- b for representation of the Insured
 - i at any coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry in respect of death
 - ii at proceedings in any court of summary jurisdiction or on indictment in any higher court in respect of any alleged breach of statutory duty resulting in Injury

which may be the subject of indemnity under this Section.

Limit of Indemnity

The Insurer's Limit of Indemnity for all compensation, costs and expenses payable in respect of any one claim or series of claims arising out of one occurrence shall not exceed the Limit of Indemnity.

Provided that

- a in respect of an Act of Terrorism the Limit of Indemnity shall not exceed £5,000,000. If the Insurer alleges that by reason of this limitation any loss damage cost or expense is not covered the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the Insured.

- b** in respect of the indemnity provided under this Section for Extension 5 – Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007– Legal Defence Costs
 - i** the liability of the Insurer shall not exceed £5,000,000 in any one Period of Insurance
 - ii** all amounts payable will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity
 - iii** where the Insurer has already indemnified the Insured in respect of legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings (including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings) arising out of the same occurrence which gave rise to said proceedings under another Section of the Policy the amount paid under that Section shall contribute to the maximum amount payable under this Section.

Extensions (Subject to the terms, limits, conditions and exclusions of this Section and the Policy)

1 Indemnity to Other Parties

If the Insured so request the Insurer will indemnify the following parties

- a** any officer or committee member or other member of the Insured’s canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations or ambulance, first aid, fire, medical or security services against liability incurred in such capacity
- b** any partner, director or Employee of the Insured against liability incurred in such capacity and in respect of which the Insured would have been entitled to indemnity under this Section if the claim had been made against the Insured

as though each party was individually named as the Insured in this Section

- c** any principal for whom the Insured have agreed to execute work under contract or agreement against liability arising out of the performance of such work by the Insured and in respect of which the Insured are legally liable and would have been entitled to indemnity under this Section if the claim had been made against the Insured.

Provided that

- i** each such party shall observe fulfil and be subject to the terms and conditions of this Section in so far as they can apply

- ii** the Insurer’s liability to the Insured and all parties indemnified shall not exceed in total the Limit of Indemnity specified in the Schedule.

2 Health and Safety at Work – Legal Defence Costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured and if the Insured so request any partner, director or Employee of the Insured in the terms of this Section in respect of

- a** costs and expenses incurred with the Insurer’s written consent
- b** costs and expenses of the prosecution awarded against any such party

in connection with criminal proceedings or an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought in respect of any offence under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 or the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 committed or alleged to have been committed during the Period of Insurance in connection with the Business.

Provided that

- i** the proceedings relate to the health, safety or welfare of any Employee
- ii** the Insurer shall have the conduct and control of all the said proceedings and appeals

the Insurer will not pay for

- a** fines or penalties of any kind
- b** proceedings or appeals in respect of any deliberate act or omission
- c** costs or expenses insured by any other insurance.

3 Unsatisfied Court Judgements

If a judgement for compensation or costs in respect of Injury sustained by any Employee arising out of and in the course of employment or engagement by the Insured in connection with the Business and caused within the Territorial Limits during the Period of Insurance

- a** is obtained by such Employee in any court situate within the territories specified in Definition 4.a. against any person or corporate body domiciled or operating from premises within such territories and
- b** remains wholly or partly unsatisfied six months after the date of such judgement

the Insurer will if the Insured so request pay to the said Employee the amount of any such compensation and costs to the extent that they remain unsatisfied

Provided that

- i there is no appeal outstanding
- ii the Employee shall have assigned the judgement to the Insurer
- iii this Section was shown in the Schedule at the time of the Injury.

4 Court Attendance Compensation

If during the Period of Insurance any partner, director or Employee of the Insured is required to attend court as a witness at the request of the Insurer in connection with a claim which is the subject of indemnity under this Section the Insurer will pay compensation to the Insured on the following scale for each day that attendance is required:

- i any director or partner £750
- ii any Employee £250

5 Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 – Legal Defence Costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in respect of

- a legal costs and expenses incurred with the prior written consent of the Insurer and
- b costs of the prosecution awarded against the Insured in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings (including any appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings) brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 or any equivalent legislation in the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man in respect of any fatal injury sustained and caused during the Period of Insurance in the course of the Business and which may be subject to indemnity under this Section.

Provided that the Insurer agrees details of the specific solicitor or counsel who are to act on behalf of the Insured prior to their appointment.

The Insurer will not pay for

- i any fines or penalties imposed on the Insured or the cost of implementing any remedial order or publicity order
- ii legal costs and expenses in connection with an appeal unless a solicitor or counsel advise that there are strong prospects of succeeding in the appeal or recovering costs awarded against the Insured at all times throughout the appeals process. Any change to such prospect of success during the appeals process may result in cover being removed
- iii costs and expenses provided by another source or any other insurance or where but for the existence of this Extension would have been provided by such source or insurance
- iv costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country other than the Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man
- v costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings resulting from any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission by the Insured or any partner or director of the Insured or any Employee.

Section Exclusions

Policy Exclusion 3 applies to this Section and in addition the Insurer will not pay for:

1 Mechanically Propelled Vehicles

Liability in respect of Injury to any Employee arising out of the ownership, possession or use by or on behalf of the Insured of any mechanically propelled vehicle or trailer attached thereto if such liability is required by any road traffic legislation to be the subject of compulsory insurance or other security.

2 Work on Offshore Installations

Liability in respect of Injury to any Employee who is working on, visiting or travelling to or from Offshore Installations.

3 Slings and Cradles

Liability in respect of Injury to any Employee operating a sling and/or cradle.

Section Conditions

The Policy Conditions 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10 and 11 apply to this Section and in addition the following:

1 Compulsory Insurance Legislation

The indemnity granted by this Section is deemed to be in accordance with the provisions of any law relating to compulsory insurance of liability to Employees in the territories specified in Definition 4.a. but the Insured shall repay to the Insurer all sums paid by the Insurer which the Insurer would not have been liable to pay but for the provisions of such law.

2 Certificate of Employers' Liability

If this Policy or Section is cancelled any certificate of Employers' Liability insurance issued hereunder is similarly cancelled from the same date.

3 Other Insurances

The Insurer will not indemnify the Insured in respect of liability which is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any other policy or section except in respect of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other policy or section or which would have been payable under such other policy or section had this Section not been effected.

Section 4 – Commercial Legal Expenses

The cover provided under this Section covers Claims where the Insured Person

- first receives notification of a third party's intention to make a claim against them; or
- first becomes aware, or should have been aware, that it is necessary to pursue a claim against a third party to enforce their legal rights; or
- first receives notification from HMRC or another relevant authority, of its intention to investigate or instigate an HMRC Investigation; and

notifies the Insurer of the same during the Period of Insurance.

Definitions

In addition to the Policy Definitions on page 6 the following definitions also apply to this Section:

Acts of Parliament

All Acts of Parliament referred to in this Section will include a reference to all Orders and Regulations made under them and to any subsequent amendments or re-enactments enforceable within the Geographical Limits.

Any One Claim

All Claims or series of Claims including any appeal against a judgment or decision arising out of the same original cause, event or circumstance.

Awards of Compensation

Basic Awards and Compensatory Awards made against the Insured by an employment tribunal, employment appeal tribunal or superior court, or associated settlements agreed as a result of negotiation, conciliation or arbitration proceedings and to which the Insurer's previous Consent has been given, other than

- a** any awards of compensation against the Insured for a redundancy payment or monies due under a contract of employment; or
- b** any award arising from a failure by the Insured to provide written reasons for dismissal; or
- c** any award or pay specified in a reinstatement or re-engagement order; or

- d** any financial benefit or compensation payable under any share option scheme or pension scheme.

Basic Awards

Basic Awards are determined in accordance with section 119 of the Employment Rights Act 1996. For the avoidance of doubt Basic Awards do not include additional awards, protective awards, aggravated damages or interim relief.

Claim

For the purposes of this Section a claim is any

- civil proceeding, excluding employment or taxation disputes, brought by or against an Insured Person; or
- employment claim brought against the Insured; or
- HMRC investigation into the tax affairs of the Insured; or
- criminal proceeding brought against an Insured person.

Provided that the Claim is made by or against the Insured and notified to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance, a Claim will be deemed to be made as follows:

- for civil cases, excluding employment or taxation disputes, the date the Insured Person is first notified of a third party's intention to make a claim against them or the date the Insured Person first becomes aware, or should have been aware, it is necessary to pursue a claim against a third party to enforce their legal rights.
- for employment disputes the date when the Insured first receives a Claim Form (ET1) from an employment tribunal.
- for taxation disputes or investigations affecting the Insured's Business, the date when HMRC, or another relevant authority, first notifies the Insured of the intention to carry out an HMRC Investigation.
- for criminal cases the date when the Insured Person receives a summons informing them criminal proceedings are being taken against them.

Compensatory Awards

The amounts awarded in accordance with section 123 of the Employment Rights Act 1996 at the discretion of an employment tribunal, employment appeal tribunal or superior court to compensate for loss of earnings and benefits. For the avoidance of doubt Compensatory Awards do not include additional awards, protective awards, aggravated damages or interim relief.

Commercial Tenancy Agreement

A written agreement under which the Insured:

- a** lets the Premises to a Commercial Tenant; or
- b** occupies the Premises as a Commercial Tenant

in connection with the Business and in return for the payment of rent.

Commercial Tenant

The tenant named in the Commercial Tenancy Agreement who occupies the Premises for non-residential purposes.

Contract

An actual or alleged contract, whether verbal or in writing to which the Insured is a party, for the sale, purchase, hire, service, supply or repair of goods or for the supply or purchase of a service. A Contract does not include:

- any actual or alleged contract with an Employee, sub-contractor or self-employed person for the purposes of employment activities; or
- any franchise or distribution agreement.

Data Protection Compensation Awards

Compensation awarded in accordance with Data Protection Legislation against the Insured for the holding, loss or unauthorised disclosure of data.

Debt Recovery Service

The debt collection service nominated by the Insurer which is provided as an Additional Service to the Insured for the recovery of Undisputed Debts.

Employee

Any person under a permanent full or permanent part time contract of service or apprenticeship with the Insured.

Geographical Limits

For claims relating to personal injury – any member country of the European Union and Croatia, Iceland, Norway and Switzerland.

For all other claims – Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

Guideline Hourly Rates

The guideline hourly rates for solicitors set by the Senior Court Costs Office.

HMRC

HM Revenue & Customs.

HMRC Investigation

a Business Aspect Enquiry

An enquiry, and any appeal proceedings, following the issue of a formal written notice by HMRC under Paragraph 24(1) Schedule 18 Finance Act 1998 or S9A or S12AC of the Taxes Management Act 1970 in order to make an enquiry into one or more specific aspects of the Insured's Business; or

b Business Full Enquiry

An enquiry, and any appeal proceedings, following the issue of a formal written notice by HMRC under Paragraph 24(1) Schedule 18 Finance Act 1998 or S9 or S12AC of the Taxes Management Act 1970 to examine the whole of the Insured's Business; or

c Employer Compliance Dispute

A dispute, and any appeal proceedings, which takes place following a formal written expression of dissatisfaction with the Insured's compliance with tax regulations concerning PAYE, national insurance contributions or Construction Industry Scheme following an employer or Construction Industry Scheme compliance check by HMRC or following a formal written expression of dissatisfaction with the Insured's P11Ds or P9Ds; or

d VAT Dispute

A dispute which takes place following:

- i** a VAT compliance check where a written decision, assessment or statement of alleged arrears is received from HMRC in respect of the Insured's Value Added Tax Return or
- ii** the receipt by the Insured of a formal written notice of VAT default surcharge.

Insured Person

The Insured and, at the request of the Insured, the Insured's proprietors, partners and directors and also all Employees acting in the normal course of their employment.

Insurer

Allianz Insurance plc trading as Allianz Legal Protection.

Jury Service Allowance

The payment of up to £100 per day to the Insured in respect of an Insured Person who is absent from work as a result of their attendance for jury service within the Geographical Limits, but only in so far as payment of such sum has been made by the Insured to the Insured Person under any contract of employment. For every day the Insured Person is off work, including the time it takes to travel to and from the court, the payment will be the lesser of

- a if the Insured Person works full time, 1/250th of the Insured Person's annual salary or wages; or
- b if the Insured Person works part time, a proportion of the Insured Person's weekly salary or wages equivalent to one day's salary or wages; or
- c £100.

Payments will be calculated to the nearest half day (assuming a whole day is eight hours).

Lawphone Legal Helpline

A telephone advisory service provided by the Insurer:

- a to advise the Insured on Business related legal matters and
- b for the Insured to report all Claims under this Section to the Insurer.

Legal Expenses

Fees and Expenses

- a any unrecovered professional fees, expenses or other disbursements reasonably and properly incurred by the Legal Representative on the Standard Basis up to the Guideline Hourly Rates incurred with the prior written consent of the Insurer in respect of any Claim, including costs and expenses of expert witnesses and those incurred by the Insurer in connection with such Claim.
- b any legal or professional fees, expenses or other disbursements incurred by other parties in pursuing or defending any Claim, insofar as the Insured Person is held liable in a civil court or tribunal to pay such costs or under a settlement made with another party with the Insurer's prior written consent, but excluding any costs which the Insured Person may be ordered to pay by a court of criminal jurisdiction.

- c any unrecovered professional fees, expenses or other disbursements reasonably and properly incurred by the Legal Representative on the Standard Basis up to the Guideline Hourly Rates incurred with the prior written consent of the Insurer in an appeal, or in resisting an appeal, against the judgment of a relevant court or tribunal in respect of any Claim.
- d any unrecovered professional fees, expenses or other disbursements reasonably and properly incurred by the Legal Representative at such rates, or in such amounts, as may be agreed with the prior written consent of the Insurer where it is necessary for an accountant to represent the Insured in connection with any Claim relating to an HMRC Investigation or subsequent appeal, but excluding any tax, interest and penalties demanded, assessed or requested by HMRC.

Legal Expenses do not include the payment of Value Added Tax (VAT) which is recoverable by the Insured Person from elsewhere.

Legal Representative

A solicitor, barrister, accountant or any other appropriately qualified person that the Insurer appoints in the name of and on behalf of the Insured Person with the prior written agreement of the Insurer to act for the Insured Person in respect of any Claim in accordance with the terms of this Section.

Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome

- a In civil proceedings and in all appeals, including employment tribunal disputes, Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome only exist if the Legal Representative advises that the Insured Person is more likely than not to succeed, assuming the case was determined at trial or other final hearing at first instance and the likely damages claimed and recovered by or against the Insured Person will exceed the Insured Person's own likely Legal Expenses.
- b In criminal proceedings and in all appeals, Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome only exist if the Legal Representative advises that
 - i the Insured Person is more likely than not to succeed in defending the prosecution assuming the case was determined at trial or other final hearing at first instance; or
 - ii the Insured Person is more likely than not to succeed in a significant mitigation of their sentence or fine where the Insured Person intends to plead guilty to the offence, or is advised to do so by the Legal Representative.

- c In an HMRC Investigation and in all appeals following an HMRC Investigation, Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome only exists if the Insured is more likely than not to succeed in reversing the decision made or reducing the liabilities alleged by HMRC.

Standard Basis

The normal method used by the court to assess Legal Expenses which the court decides are proportionate to the Insured Person's legal action and have been reasonably incurred by the Legal Representative and the Insured Person's opponent.

Undisputed Debt

Money and interest that has not been paid to the Insured under the terms of a Contract. An Undisputed Debt will exist if, in the opinion of the Debt Recovery Service or the Insurer, the other party to the Contract would not have a realistic chance of succeeding in defending any legal action taken in respect of the amount due.

Witness Attendance Allowance

The payment of up to £100 per day to the Insured in respect of the Insured Person who is absent from work as a result of their attending as a witness for the Insured at a hearing, court, tribunal or arbitration within the Geographical Limits at the request of the Legal Representative with the Insurer's prior written consent, but only in so far as this is not otherwise recoverable by the Insured Person from the relevant hearing, court, tribunal or arbitration. For every day the Insured Person is off work, including the time it takes to travel to and from the court, the payment will be the lesser of

- a if the Insured Person works full time, 1/250th of the Insured Person's annual salary or wages; or
- b if the Insured Person works part time, a proportion of the Insured Person's weekly salary or wages equivalent to one day's salary or wages; or
- c £100.

Payments will be calculated to the nearest half day (assuming a whole day is eight hours).

Limit of Indemnity

The maximum amount the Insurer is liable to pay under this Section is:

- 1 £100,000 Any One Claim other than a Claim relating to a Business Aspect Enquiry, Jury Service Allowance and Witness Attendance Allowance.

- 2 £2,000 Any One Claim relating to a Business Aspect Enquiry.
- 3 £5,000 Any One Claim relating to Jury Service Allowance.
- 4 £5,000 Any One Claim relating to Witness Attendance Allowance.
- 5 £1,000,000 for all Claims in the aggregate first notified to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance.

(collectively "the Limit of Indemnity")

The above amounts are all inclusive of Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation and Data Protection Compensation Awards.

Cover

The Insurer agrees to pay up to the Limit of Indemnity and on behalf of the Insured Person:

- a Legal Expenses;
- b Awards of Compensation;
- c Data Protection Compensation Awards;
- d Jury Service Allowance; and
- e Witness Attendance Allowance

incurred by the Insured Person in the pursuit or defence of any Claim:

- a brought within the Geographical Limits; and
- b made and first notified to the Insurer within the Period of Insurance; and
- c arising from the Insured's Business.

Provided that

- a the need to defend or pursue a legal action was first known about, or should have been known about, by the Insured Person, and reported to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance; and
- b Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome exist at all times; and
- c for employment disputes only, the Insured has consulted with and followed the advice of Lawphone Legal Helpline, another solicitor or a suitably qualified person.

Section Exclusions

In addition to the Policy Exclusions the Insurer will not provide any cover where the Claim relates to or arises out of the following.

- 1 Any employment issue where the Insured has not consulted with, and followed the advice of, Lawphone Legal Helpline or any other solicitor or suitably qualified person before taking any action or making any decision which might give rise to a Claim against the Insured, such as making any significant changes to an Employee's contract or taking any action which leads to the giving of a formal warning to, or the dismissal of, an Employee. The Insured should be able to evidence that advice received has been followed.
- 2 Any dispute which arises out of the establishment of, or failure to establish, a transfer of employment under the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 or the Acquired Rights Directive 2001 or a breach, or alleged breach, of either.
- 3 Any matter relating to a tax avoidance scheme. For the avoidance of doubt a tax avoidance scheme is any matter which is, or may be, notifiable to HMRC under the regulations for Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes (DOTAS) or the disclosure regime for VAT.
- 4 Any matter or investigation conducted by HMRC Fraud Investigation Service or Specialist Investigations, or conducted under the HMRC Civil Investigation of Fraud, Code of Practice 9, or Criminal Investigations procedures or conducted under the General Anti-Abuse Rule.
- 5 Criminal proceedings being brought against the Insured Person for:
 - i fraud, theft, money laundering or other dishonesty related offences; or
 - ii offences against another person, including offences of a sexual nature; or
 - iii the manufacture, distribution or use of weapons, alcohol, drugs, indecent or obscene materials, or
 - iv any investigation by HMRC; or
 - v pollution.
- 6 Adjudication whether arising under the Housing Grants Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 or the Scheme associated with it or an adjudication arising out of any term in a Contract.
- 7 Any dispute arising from an agreement the Insured enters into to let the Premises for residential purposes.

- 8 The following matters where a statutory licence has not been applied for, or has been refused (in full or in part), suspended, revoked, altered or not renewed:
 - i Any appeal arising out of a hearing which took place because of a commercial decision made by the Insured Person in relation to the Business; or
 - ii Any appeal following a hearing the Insured Person knew about, or should reasonably have known about, before this Section commenced; or
 - iii Any appeal against a decision involving a statutory licence in respect of which the Insured Person has made an appeal in the twelve (12) months before this Section commences; or
 - iv Any disciplinary or internal procedures conducted by authorities charged with the regulation of the Insured Person in the performance of their normal Business activities, or any appeal following such procedures; or
 - v Any suspension, revocation, alteration or refusal to renew a statutory licence which is required by Acts of Parliament or national or local government regulation or order.

For the avoidance of doubt a statutory licence is a licence or certificate of registration issued under statute, statutory instrument or by a Government or local authority to the Insured Person and which is required to enable the Insured Person to carry on the normal activities of the Business.

- 9 The pursuit by the Insured of an Undisputed Debt.
- 10 Commercial Tenancy Agreements where the dispute
 - i relates to rent or service charges, tax, planning or building regulations or decisions; or
 - ii relates to the renewal of a lease or Commercial Tenancy Agreement; or
 - iii is over the freehold, leasehold, commonhold or title of the Premises; or
 - iv is with Government or local authority departments concerning the imposition of rates or other local taxes.
- 11 A dispute arising from a breach or alleged breach of a professional duty by an Insured person arising out of or in connection with any
 - i advice or specification; or
 - ii error or omission in any advice.
- 12 An enquiry under Public Notice 160 or Section 60 of the VAT Act 1994.
- 13 Any matter concerning IR35 legislation.

- 14 Any dispute concerning computer hardware, software, systems or services designed specifically for the Business.
- 15 Any arbitration unless wholly in accordance with the Arbitration Act 1996.
- 16 A deliberate, conscious, intentional or reckless act or statement by the Insured Person or where the Insured Person has shown wilful disregard for the need to take all reasonable steps to avoid, prevent and limit the extent of any such Claim.
- 17 An allegation of libel or slander including defamation or injury to reputation.
- 18 An application for judicial review or other challenge to any legislation or proposed legislation or the decision of any public body.
- 19 Assignment, bailment, bills of exchange, credit, insurance, securities or guarantees.
- 20 Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance incurred without the Insurer's prior written Consent.
- 21 Fines, aggravated or liquidated damages or other penalties imposed by a court, tribunal or regulator, including any costs awarded against the Insured person following criminal proceedings.
- 22 Any dispute between the Insured Person and the Insurer or between the Insured Person and the Legal representative in respect of a Claim under this Section, or between the Insured and the provider of any Additional Service or telephone helpline available under this Section.
- 23 Any dispute between individuals comprising the Insured or with any subsidiary, parent or associated company of the Insured or arising from a shareholding agreement, a partnership agreement or a trust.
- 24 Patents, copyrights, trademarks, merchandise marks, registered designs or other intellectual property, breach of secrecy or confidentiality, passing off actions or restrictive covenants.
- 25 Defending the Insured Person in any legal proceedings arising from alleged or actual breach of any duty owed by that person as a director or officer of the Insured, other than in relation to the Insured Person's activities as a pension trustee.

- 26 Legal Expenses or other expenses incurred by the Insured which relate to the preparation of accounts, self assessment activities or any work carried out prior to the commencement of the HMRC Investigation.
- 27 Any HMRC compliance check or dispute with HMRC concerning the Insured's compliance with regulations relating to the National Minimum wage or the National Living Wage.
- 28 Any HMRC enquiry which is not shown in the definition of HMRC Investigation.
- 29 Any dispute arising out of the amount payable under an insurance policy.
- 30 Any dispute arising out of damage caused to motor vehicles.
- 31 Any dispute relating to the eviction of persons from the Insured's Property or the repair of damage to the Insured's Property from persons who have been evicted.

Section Conditions

In addition to the Policy Conditions, the following also apply to this Section.

A General Conditions

1 Arbitration

Any dispute between the Insured Person and the Insurer concerning this Section shall be referred to a single arbitrator who will be either a solicitor or barrister agreed upon by the parties or failing agreement one who is nominated by the President of the appropriate Law Society or by the Chairman of the Bar Council or equivalent professional body within the Geographical Limits.

All the costs of the arbitration shall be met in full by the party against whom the arbitration award is made unless that person made the other an earlier without prejudice offer which was more favourable than the arbitration award. If the arbitration award is not clearly made against one party the arbitrator will have the power to apportion costs. If the arbitration award is made in the Insurer's favour, the Insured Person's costs will not be recoverable under this Section. The arbitration award will be final and binding upon both the Insured Person and the Insurer and cannot be the subject of an appeal.

2 Maintenance of Records

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured has kept and maintained reasonable books and records. Where the Insured is a corporate organisation such books and records must have been kept in accordance with the Companies Acts.

3 Disclosure of the Existence of this Section

The Insured Person and the Legal Representative must not reveal the existence of this Section to any other person or entity unless the Insurer has given prior written consent or is ordered to do so by a court.

4 Assignment

This Section may not be assigned by the Insured Person or by the Insured Person's executors or administrators.

B Claims Process Conditions

1 Notification of Claims

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person notifies the Insurer in writing, by the completion of a claim form, or in another way confirmed by the Insurer in writing to the Insured Person

- i immediately after the Insured Person becomes, or should have become, aware of any event or circumstance which gives rise to a Claim involving the Insured Person; and
- ii immediately following receipt of any letter or other notification of a claim, claim form, summons or other legal process.

If the Insured Person fails to notify the Insurer of such event or circumstance during the same Period of Insurance in which the Insured Person first became aware of it, the Insurer will not provide cover for any Claim arising from that event or circumstance. When such a notification has been given, any subsequent Claim in respect of the event or circumstance notified will be treated as though the Claim had been first notified to the Insurer during the same Period of Insurance in which notification of the original event or circumstance occurred.

Important procedure for employment disputes

If a **Claim Form (ET1)** is received from an employment tribunal it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability that the Insured must **immediately** complete a claim form and forward it to the Insurer, to arrive no later than seven (7) days after receipt of the **Claim Form (ET1)**. **Response Form (ET3)**, which should be left blank, must also be sent to the Insurer.

Important procedure for criminal proceedings

If a summons is received by the Insured notifying of criminal proceedings involving the Insured it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability that the Insured must **immediately** contact the Insurer and forward a copy of the summons to the Insurer, to arrive no later than seven (7) days after receipt of the summons by the Insured.

2 Consent

It is a condition precedent to the liability of the Insurer to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person first obtain the Insurer's prior written agreement ("Consent") to

- i provide cover under this Section in respect of the Claim; and
- ii incur Legal Expenses; and
- iii pay Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance.

Consent will only be given if the Insured Person can satisfy the Insurer that:

- a there are Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome and
- b in a particular case, it is reasonable for Legal Expenses to be incurred and/or for the Insurer to agree to meet any Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance to be accepted under this Section.

If the Insurer and the Legal Representative do not agree on whether Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome exist, then the Insurer will seek the opinion of another legally qualified advisor or other expert appropriate to the Claim whom it considers it necessary to consult. If that advisor or expert's opinion differs from that of the Legal Representative, their opinion shall be substituted for that of the Legal Representative for the purposes of determining whether or not Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome exist.

In all cases the Insured Person will be advised in writing of the granting or refusal of Consent.

3 Dealing with the Claim

If the Insurer grants Consent a Legal Representative will be instructed and will then act in accordance with Claims Process Condition 8.

The Insurer may withdraw Consent previously given at any time if facts become known which would mean that a particular Claim should not have been accepted under the terms of this Section or if there are no longer Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome. Provided there has been full compliance with the Section terms the Insurer agrees to indemnify the Insured Person in respect of Legal Expenses, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance incurred up to the date when the Insurer notified the Insured Person that Consent had been withdrawn.

If the Insured Person decides to proceed with the pursuit or defence of a Claim to which the Insurer has refused to give Consent and is subsequently successful the Insurer will, subject to the terms, exclusions and conditions of this Section, pay Legal Expenses, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance as if the Insurer had given Consent at the outset.

4 Duty of the Insured Person to Minimise Claims

In respect of any Claim for which Consent has been granted under the Section the Insured Person must take all reasonable measures to minimise the Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance incurred and any other matters which may affect the Insurer's liability in respect of any Claim under this Section.

If the Insured Person fails to comply with this term then the Insurer will have the right to adjust the Insurer's liability under this Section to the extent that the Claim would have cost the Insurer had the Insured Person complied with this term.

5 The Insurer's Right to Settle Claims

The Insurer shall have the right to take over and conduct in the name of the Insured Person the pursuit or defence of any Claim at any time and can settle any Claim on behalf of the Insured Person on such terms as the Insurer deems appropriate. At its absolute discretion, the Insurer may decide to settle the Claim by paying the Insured Person the amount of damages claimed by, or against, the Insured Person instead of indemnifying the Insured Person for Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards or Witness Attendance Allowance. Where the Insurer exercises this discretion the Insurer will cease to be liable for any further Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards or Witness Attendance Allowance in respect of that Claim.

6 Insolvency of the Insured Person

During the course of any Claim to which the Insurer has given Consent, the Insurer has the right to withdraw that Consent immediately if the Insured Person

- a becomes insolvent; or
- b enters into liquidation; or
- c makes an arrangement with creditors; or
- d enters into a deed of arrangement; or
- e has part or all of their affairs assets or property placed in the care or control of a receiver or a liquidator; or
- f has an administration order over their affairs assets or property.

Provided there has been full compliance with the Section terms the Insurer agrees to indemnify the Insured Person in respect of Legal Expenses, Jury Service Allowance and Witness Attendance Allowance incurred up to the date when the Insurer notified the Insured Person that Consent had been withdrawn.

7 Appeal Procedure

If, following legal proceedings to which the Insurer has given Consent, the Insured Person wishes to appeal against the judgment or decision of a court or tribunal, it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the grounds of such appeal must be submitted to the Insurer in good time and by secure means so that the Insurer may consider whether there are Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome in respect of the appeal and if so whether to Consent to such an appeal. The terms of Claims Process Condition 2 shall apply to any appeal which the Insured Person wishes to make.

If the Insurer wishes to appeal against the judgement or decision of a court or tribunal, the Insured Person will co-operate fully in an appeal. If the Insured Person fails to do so, any Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance paid for by the Insurer must be repaid.

8 Legal Proceedings

a Freedom to choose a Legal Representative

For any Claim where the Insurer may be liable to pay Awards of Compensation in respect of employment disputes or Data Protection Compensation Awards, the Insurer will choose the Legal Representative.

For any other Claim the Insurer will choose the Legal Representative at any time before the Insurer agrees that legal proceedings need to be issued or defended. The Insured Person can only choose a Legal Representative if the Insurer agrees that legal proceedings need to be issued or defended or if a conflict of interest arises which means that the Legal Representative originally chosen by the Insurer cannot act for the Insured Person. The Insured Person must send the name and address of the Insured Person's chosen Legal Representative to the Insurer. If the Insurer agrees to appoint a Legal Representative that the Insured Person chooses, that Legal Representative will be appointed on the same terms as the Insurer would have appointed its chosen Legal Representative, except where the Insurer and the Legal Representative reach a different agreement.

In respect of any Claim for which the Insurer has granted Consent, the Legal Representative will be appointed in the name of and on behalf of the Insured Person to act for the Insured Person in accordance with the terms of this Section.

In agreeing to the selection of a Legal Representative the Insured Person will comply with Claims Process Condition 4.

The Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section will cease immediately with no liability to indemnify the Insured Person in any respect unless in its absolute discretion the Insurer agrees to another Legal Representative being appointed to continue acting for the Insured Person under the terms of this Section, if:

- i due to any conduct or failure to act by the Insured Person, the Legal Representative reasonably refuses to continue acting for the Insured Person, or
- ii the Insured Person dismisses the Legal Representative against the advice of the Legal Representative and without the Insurer's prior written agreement.

b Disclosures to the Legal Representative

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person must

- i give the Legal Representative all possible help and information including a complete and truthful account of the facts of the case; and
- ii provide the Legal Representative with all relevant documentary or other evidence in the Insured **Person's possession; and**
- iii provide, obtain or execute all documents considered necessary by the Legal Representative and attend meetings or conferences as requested.

c Access to Information

The Insurer is entitled to receive from the Legal Representative any information, document or advice in connection with any Claim, even if privileged. On request the Insured Person will give to the Legal Representative any instructions necessary to secure the required access.

d Duties of the Insured Person and Legal Representative in relation to any Claim

- i It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person, or on their behalf, the Legal Representative immediately notify the Insurer in writing of any information as soon as it is received which may affect the Insurer's opinion on the Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome of the Claim
- ii The Insured Person, or on their behalf the Legal Representative must inform the Insurer in writing as soon as any offer to settle a Claim is received or made. The Insured Person or the Legal Representative must not under any circumstances enter into any agreement to settle without the Insurer's prior written consent. If the Insured Person, or on their behalf the Legal Representative, fails to inform the Insurer as soon as an offer to settle a Claim is received or made, cover under this Section will cease with effect from the date of the offer. If, in the Insurer's opinion, the Insured Person unreasonably withholds agreement to settle, cover under this Section will cease from the date on which the Insured Person ought reasonably have agreed to settle. The Insurer agrees to indemnify the Insured Person in respect of Legal Expenses incurred up to the date when cover ceased
- iii The Insured Person, or on their behalf the Legal Representative, must report in writing the result of the Claim to the Insurer when it is finished.

e Payment of Legal Representative's Bills

The Insurer shall have the right to settle Legal Expenses at the conclusion of a Claim.

The Insured Person should forward all bills which are received from the Legal Representative relating to the Claim to the Insurer without delay following conclusion of the Claim. If the Insurer requires, the Insured Person must ask the Legal Representative to submit the bill of costs for audit or assessment by the appropriate court or, at the discretion of the Insurer, a law costs draughtsman or other competent party. The Insurer will only pay Legal Expenses that are determined as reasonable by the audit or assessment.

The Insurer may settle a payment of Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance direct with the Legal Representative if it is appropriate for the Insurer to do so. The payment of some Legal Expenses does not imply that all Legal Expenses will be paid on the Insured Person's behalf.

The Insured Person must not, without the Insurer's prior written consent, enter into any agreement with the Legal Representative as to the basis of calculation of Legal Expenses. This agreement is normally known as either a conditional fee agreement or a damages based agreement.

f Instruction of a Barrister

If, during the course of any Claim (and subject always to compliance with Claims Process Condition 2), the Insured Person or the Legal Representative considers it necessary and wishes to instruct a barrister, the barrister's name must first be submitted to the Insurer for Consent to the proposed instruction.

g Conduct of the Claim

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's continuing liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person

- i** does not withdraw from a Claim or dismiss the Legal Representative without the written agreement of the Insurer and the Legal Representative; and
- ii** co-operates fully with the Legal Representative and the Insurer in the conduct of the Claim; and
- iii** follows the advice of the Legal Representative.

If the Insured Person fails to comply with i, ii or iii then the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section will cease immediately and the Insurer will not be responsible for the payment of Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation or Data Protection Compensation Awards and will be entitled to reimbursement of all Legal Expenses already incurred and any Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance already paid in respect of the Claim unless the Insurer agrees to appoint another Legal Representative to continue the Claim.

h Award of Costs

Where the Insured Person is awarded costs, it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover for Legal Expenses that the Insured Person and the Legal Representative must take every reasonable step to recover Legal Expenses which would be or have been subject to payment under this Section. All such recoveries will be taken into account when calculating the Insurer's liability under this Section.

i Alternative Dispute Resolution

When, in the Insurer's opinion, alternative dispute resolution would appear to provide a more effective method of resolving any Claim, the Insurer may request that the Insured Person agrees to submit such Claim to a professional dispute resolution service, to be selected by the Insurer.

In considering alternative dispute resolution the Insured Person will comply with Claims Process Condition 4 and will not therefore unreasonably withhold Consent.

Communications

All notices and communications from the Insurer or the Insurer's representatives to the Insured Person will be deemed to have been duly sent if sent to the Insured Person's last known address or, in relation to any matters arising out of any Claim, if sent to the Legal Representative.

All notices and communication from the Insured Person to the Insurer should be sent to:

Allianz Legal Protection
Allianz-ALP
PO Box 10623
Wigston
LE18 9HJ

Telephone: **0370 243 4340 (open 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding Bank Holidays)**
Email: **alpenquiries@allianz.co.uk**

Additional Services

In addition to the indemnity provided by this Section, further services are available to the Insured. The Insured may access these services at any time during the Period of Insurance, although the Insurer will not be liable to the Insured or Insured Person for any Legal Expenses or other costs or expenses, loss or damage incurred as a result of using the services or any advice received from the provider of these services. This is because these services are not provided by the Insurer.

Further, no liability can be accepted for inability to provide any benefits or advice due to breakdown or failure of the telephone network.

There may be an additional charge payable by the Insured or Insured Person for the use of these additional services.

1 Undisputed Debt Recovery Service

The Insured has access to the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service if the Insured has an Undisputed Debt of at least £250 and the legal action to recover that Undisputed Debt can be brought within Great Britain. The Undisputed Debt should be referred to the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service as soon as possible after the amount becomes due and payable.

The Undisputed Debt Recovery Service is provided by an organisation that specialises in the recovery of debts. The organisation providing the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service is not part of the Insurer and does not act on the Insurer's behalf.

For Undisputed Debts that are pursued in England or Wales, that organisation will be DWF LLP, of 5 St Paul's Square, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9AE. For Undisputed Debts that are pursued in Scotland, the service will be provided by HBJ Claim Solutions solicitors, of 247 West George Street, Glasgow, Lanarkshire G2 4QE.

When the Insured needs to contact the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service the Insured should call the number below, which relates to the country in which the Undisputed Debt will be pursued. The Insured should quote 'Allianz Undisputed Debt Recovery Service' and the Master Policy reference contained within the Policy Schedule.

Debts pursued in England or Wales: **0151 907 3141**

Debts pursued in Scotland: **0141 249 6095**

The telephone lines are open between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays).

Use of the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service by the Insured will be subject to a fee being payable by the Insured to the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service. The fee will be a percentage of the Undisputed Debt. The level of the fee, and the time at which it will be payable by the Insured, will be confirmed to the Insured by the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service when the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service is initially contacted. There may be additional expenses that are necessarily incurred by the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service to recover the Undisputed Debt. These will also be payable by the Insured and will be confirmed by the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service to the Insured at the appropriate time.

This Section does not cover the fee charged by the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service or any expenses incurred in recovering the Undisputed Debt.

If, in the view of the Undisputed Debt Recovery Service and the Insurer, the other party to the Contract submits a viable defence in respect of the Undisputed Debt the Insured must report the matter as a civil Claim in respect of a contract dispute pursuit. The pursuit of the disputed debt will then be handled in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Section.

2 Solicitor Employment Support Service

The Insured has access to the Solicitor Employment Support Service if the Insured requires the use of a solicitor to carry out a redundancy programme relating to an Employee, on behalf of the Insured.

In the first instance the Insured should contact Lawphone on **0344 873 0845** and provide a brief summary of the problem. The details will be passed to an advisor who will return the Insured's call. If the advisor decides the Insured would benefit from the use of a solicitor they will pass the details on to the solicitor to arrange a mutually convenient time for this to take place.

There is an additional charge to use this service and this additional charge will not be covered by this Policy.

The telephone helpline is provided by Allianz Legal Protection, a trading name of Allianz Insurance plc.

The Solicitor Employment Support Service is provided by DWF LLP of 5 St Paul's Square, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9AE.

3 Specialist Legal Support Service

The Insured has access to a specialist solicitor if:

- Lawphone is unable assist with the legal problem because it is specialist in nature; or
- the Claim is not covered by this Section; or
- the Insured requires a full legal review of the Business.

This service aims to deal with issues which are specialist in nature. The solicitor will work with the Insured to prevent legal problems from happening by concentrating on specific areas of the Business or assessing the Business for areas where legal issues may arise and address those areas.

There is an additional charge for this service depending on the issues which need to be addressed and this additional charge will not be covered by this Policy.

In the first instance the Insured should contact Lawphone on **0344 873 0845** and provide a brief summary of the problem. The details will be passed to an advisor who will return the Insured's call.

The solicitor support is provided by DWF LLP of 5 St Paul's Square, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9AE.

4 Crisis Response

The Insured has access to a range of services to provide support to prepare for, and deal with, a business crisis.

In the first instance the Insured will need to register at <https://www.dwf.law/crisisresponse> for access to the free crisis response service including crisis response updates by email, cyber security updates and access to a free dedicated workshop programme.

In addition, the Insured will have access to crisis management training, reviews and a bespoke crisis management plan. There is an additional charge for this service depending on the issues which need to be addressed and this additional charge will not be covered by this Policy.

The crisis response service is provided by DWF LLP of 5 St Paul's Square, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9AE.

Additional Benefits

24 Hour Lawphone Legal Advice Helpline

Lawphone provides advice on any commercial legal matter 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. There is no additional charge for the advice provided by Lawphone. The advice the Insured receives from Lawphone will be in accordance with the laws of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Lawphone does not provide advice on the laws of any other country or jurisdiction. The Insurer will record the calls for the Insured and Insurer's mutual protection and the Insurer's training purposes.

Lawphone: **0344 873 0845**

When the Insured contacts Lawphone the Insured should quote the Master Policy reference contained within the Policy Schedule and provide a brief summary of the problem. The details will be passed to an advisor who will return the Insured's call.

All areas of law relevant to the Business of the Insured are covered. This advice is available to the Insured during the Period of Insurance of the Policy, although no liability can be accepted for inability to provide advice due to breakdown or failure of the telephone network.

If Lawphone advises that specialist in-depth advice is required the Insured will be passed on to a specialist solicitor to deal with the problem. There may be an additional charge for any work the solicitor is instructed to undertake by the Insured and this additional charge will not be covered by this Policy.

Lawphone is provided by Allianz Legal Protection, part of Allianz Insurance plc.

Tax Advice Helpline

This helpline provides advice on any business tax matter affecting the Insured and is available between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays). There is no additional charge for the advice provided by this helpline. Advice provided by the helpline will be in accordance with the taxation laws of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The Tax Advice Helpline cannot provide advice on the laws of any other country or jurisdiction.

Please note that this is a telephone service, which is intended for general enquiries. It does not provide advice on any matter relating to tax planning and does not engage in documentation review or enter into any written correspondence with the Insured, except where the advisor considers it appropriate to forward details of written procedures to the Insured by email. Advice and guidance will be in accordance with the advisor's understanding of the circumstances as described by the Insured.

This service should not be used as a substitute for a formal consultation with the Insured's accountant or other tax advisor, who can review the Insured's particular circumstances in more depth than is intended by this service.

When contacting the Tax Advice Helpline, the Insured should quote the Master Policy reference contained within the Policy Schedule.

Tax Helpline: **0344 873 0244**

The Insured can contact the helpline as often as required during the term of the Policy.

This helpline is provided by Abbey Tax Protection a trading division of Abbey Tax and Consultancy Services Ltd of One Mitchell Court, Castle Mound Way, Rugby CV23 0UY.

Since this service is not provided by the Insurer, the Insurer shall not be liable to the Insured or any Insured Person for any advice given or services rendered by the provider of the Tax Advice Helpline or for any losses incurred in the event that the telephone helpline is not available for any reason.

Allianz Legal Online

As part of the Commercial Legal Expenses facility the Insured has access to extensive online business support via Allianz Legal Online.

This facility provides tools and services that will help the Insured to produce legal paperwork in connection with the Insured's Business, for example, bespoke contracts of employment. In addition it provides the Insured with up to date online guidance and advice on many legal issues, such as, employment legal procedures, managing the Insured's Business and debt recovery. The legal paperwork and guidance will always be in accordance with the laws of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Insured can access Allianz Legal Online at: www.allianzlegal.co.uk.

A registration number is required to enter the web site and this is shown within the Commercial Legal Expenses details on the Policy Schedule. If the Insured has any problems relating to Allianz Legal Online please contact the Allianz Legal Online customer services team on **0345 644 8966** or e-mail them at support@allianzlegal.co.uk.

If the Insured requires a solicitor review of the document or specialist in-depth advice the Insured will be passed on to a specialist solicitor. There may be an additional charge for any work the solicitor is instructed to undertake by the Insured.

Allianz Legal Online is provided by Epoq Legal Ltd of Middlesex House, 29-45 High Street, Edgware, Middlesex HA8 7UU.

Since the documents, tools and services offered through Allianz Legal Online are not provided by the Insurer, the Insured shall not be liable to the Insured or any Insured Person for any deficiency in any of the documents, tools and services offered.

Glass Replacement

Broken glass is dangerous and in some circumstances can be a major security risk. Allianz have negotiated a special arrangement for you with one of Britain's leading glass replacement specialists. In an event of emergency or if your property is insecure please phone our Claims Team on **0344 412 9988**.

Help On Starting and Running a Business

Running a business means facing a constant stream of challenges and opportunities often with limited resources. Whether you're looking for help with management techniques, finance, export skills, design, technology, marketing or information technology, one phone call will put you in touch with a highly experienced team of experts with hands-on experience.

To contact your regional Business Support Helpline, telephone:

England:

Business Support Helpline

Telephone: **0300 456 3565**

Textphone: **0208 742 8620**

Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm

Wales:

Business Wales Helpline

Telephone: **0300 060 3000**

Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

Scotland:

Business Gateway (Scotland)

Telephone: **0845 609 6611**

Textphone: **0141 952 7053**

Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

Support and advice can also be obtained through the GOV.UK website at <https://www.gov.uk/business-support-helpline>

Risk Director

Risk Director is Allianz's award winning online risk management service that is FREE for Allianz policyholders. At the click of a button you can access effective risk management guidance and information and also access trusted and impartial risk management product and service resources.

Try it now via www.riskdirector.co.uk

Fair Processing Notice – how we use personal information

1. Who we are

When **we** refer to “**we**”, “**us**” and “**our**” in this notice it means Allianz Insurance plc or Allianz Engineering Inspection Services Limited.

When **we** say, “**individuals**” in this notice, **we** mean anyone whose personal information **we** may collect, including:

- anyone seeking an insurance quote from **us** or whose details are provided during the quotation process
- policyholders and anyone named on or covered by the policy
- anyone who may benefit from or be directly involved in the policy or a claim, including claimants and witnesses.

2. How we use personal information

We use personal information in the following ways:

- to provide quotes, administer policies and policyholder claims to fulfil **our** contract
- to administer third party claims and prevent financial crime to meet **our** legal obligations
- to manage **our** business and conduct market research to meet the legitimate needs of **our** business
- to send marketing information about **our** products and services if **we** have received specific consent.

There is no obligation to provide **us** with personal information, but **we** cannot provide **our** products and services without it.

Anyone whose personal information we hold has the right to object to us using it.

They can do this at any time by telling us and we will consider the request and either stop using their personal information or explain why we are not able to.

Further details can be found below.

3. Automated decision making, including profiling

We may use automated decision making, including profiling, to assess insurance risks and administer policies. This helps **us** decide whether to offer insurance, determine prices and validate claims.

Anyone subject to an automated decision has the right to object to it. To do so they should contact **us** by emailing **us** at accsm@allianz.co.uk and **we** will review the decision.

4. The personal information we collect

We collect the following types of personal information so **we** can complete the activities in section 2, “How **we** use personal information”

- basic personal details such as name, age, address and gender
- family, lifestyle and social circumstances, such as marital status, dependants and employment type
- financial details such as direct debit or payment card information
- photographs and/or video to help **us** manage policies and assess claims
- tracking and location information if it is relevant to the insurance policy or claim
- identification checks and background insurance risk details including previous claims information
- medical information if it is relevant to the insurance policy or claim
- criminal convictions if it is relevant to the insurance policy or claim
- accessibility details if **we** need to make reasonable adjustments to help
- business activities such as goods and services offered.

5. Where we collect personal information

Direct from **individuals**, their representatives or information they have made public, for example, on social media.

From other persons or organisations, for example:

- credit reference and/or fraud prevention agencies
- emergency services, law enforcement agencies, medical and legal practices
- insurance industry registers and databases used to detect and prevent insurance fraud, for example, the Motor Insurance Database (MID), the Motor Insurers Anti-Fraud and Theft Register (MIAFTR) and the Claims and Underwriting Exchange (CUE)
- insurance investigators and claims service providers
- other insurers or service providers who underwrite the insurance or provide the services for **our** products
- other involved parties, for example, claimants or witnesses.

6. Sharing personal information

We may share personal information with:

- other companies within the global Allianz Group www.allianz.com
- credit reference, fraud prevention and other agencies that carry out certain activities on **our** behalf, for example, the Motor Insurance Database (MID), the Insurance Fraud Bureau (IFB) and marketing agencies if agreed
- **our** approved suppliers to help deal with claims or provide **our** benefit services, for example, vehicle repairers, legal advisors and loss adjusters
- other insurers, third party underwriters, reinsurers, insurance intermediaries, regulators, law enforcement and the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS); and other companies that provide services to **us** or you, for example, the Employers Liability Tracing Office (ELTO) and the Claims and Underwriting Exchange (CUE)
- prospective buyers in the event that **we** wish to sell all or part of **our** business.

7. Transferring personal information outside the UK

We use servers located in the European Union (EU) to store personal information where it is protected by laws equivalent to those in the UK. **We** may transfer personal information to other members of the global Allianz Group to manage the insurance policy or claim; this could be inside or outside the EU. **We** have Binding Corporate Rules (BCR's) which are **our** commitment to the same high level of protection for personal information regardless of where it is processed. These rules align with those required by the European Information Protection authorities. For more information about BCR's, contact **our** Data Protection Officer.

Some of **our** suppliers have servers outside the EU. **Our** contracts with these suppliers require them to provide equivalent levels of protection for personal information.

8. How long we keep personal information

We keep information only for as long as **we** need it to administer the policy, manage **our** business or as required by law or contract.

9. Know your rights

Any **individual** whose personal information **we** hold has the right to:

- object to **us** processing it. **We** will either agree to stop processing or explain why **we** are unable to (the right to object)
- ask for a copy of their personal information **we** hold, subject to certain exemptions (a data subject access request)
- ask **us** to update or correct their personal information to ensure its accuracy (the right of rectification)
- ask **us** to delete their personal information from **our** records if it is no longer needed for the original purpose (the right to be forgotten)
- ask **us** to restrict the processing of their personal information in certain circumstances (the right of restriction)
- ask for a copy of their personal information, so it can be used for their own purposes (the right to data portability)
- complain if they feel their personal information has been mishandled. **We** encourage **individuals** to come to **us** in the first instance but they are entitled to complain directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) www.ico.org.uk
- ask **us**, at any time, to stop processing their personal information, if the processing is based only on **individual** consent (the right to withdraw consent).

If you wish to exercise any of these rights please contact our Customer Satisfaction Manager:

Address: Customer Satisfaction Manager, Allianz,
57 Ladymead, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 1DB

Email: accsm@allianz.co.uk

Phone: 01483 552438

10. Allianz (UK) Group Data Protection Officer Contact details

Allianz Insurance plc and Allianz Engineering Inspection Services Limited are companies within the Allianz Holdings.

Any queries about how **we** use personal information should be addressed to **our** Data Protection Officer:

Address: Data Protection Officer, Allianz,
57 Ladymead, Guildford, Surrey GU1 1DB

Email: dataprotectionofficer@allianz.co.uk

Phone: 0330 102 1837

Changes to our Fair Processing Notice

Occasionally it may be necessary to make changes to this fair processing notice. When that happens **we** will provide an updated version at the earliest opportunity. The most recent version will always be available on **our** website www.allianz.co.uk

Consent for Special Categories of Personal Data

The global Allianz Group may need to collect and process data relating to **individuals** who may benefit from the policy (“Insured Persons”), which falls within the special categories of personal data under Data Protection Legislation, for example, medical history or convictions of Insured Persons for the purpose of evaluating the risk and/or administering claims which may occur. You must ensure that you have explicit verbal or written consent from the Insured Persons to such information being processed by the global Allianz Group and that this fact is made known to the Insured Persons.

By applying for and/or entering into this insurance policy you will be deemed to specifically consent to the use of the Insured Persons Personal Data in this way and for these purposes and that your directors, officers, partners, and employees have consented to the global Allianz Group using their details in this way.

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 Employer’s Liability Insurance: Disclosure by Insurers Instrument 2010.

The Database assists individual consumer 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 as a result are covered by the employers’ liability insurance of their employers, (the “Claimants”):

- I. to identify which insurer (or insurers) was (or were) providing employers’ liability cover during the relevant periods of employment; and
- II. to identify 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

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