GENERAL NOTES

Disclosing material facts

You are obliged to inform **us** of any **material fact** that affects the risks **we** insure. If **you** are in any doubt whether a fact is material, **you** should disclose it.

Renewals

These terms and conditions include a provision that **your** insurance cover will automatically renew at the end of the insured term unless **you** specifically tell **us** that **you** do not wish for **your** insurance to renew.

By agreeing to these terms and conditions, **you** are also confirming that upon each renewal of **your** policy, unless **you** tell **us** otherwise, **you** want **us** to make the following changes to the terms of **your** insurance:

- (a) Such changes as **we** believe, in good faith:
 - (i) are appropriate for the type of policy **you** hold with **us**: and
 - (ii) will produce an overall benefit for you.

Those changes may include changes to the scope of the insurance cover (i.e. what is insured), the benefits which **your** policy provides, and associated changes to the cost of insurance.

(b) Such other changes which we believe, in good faith, we have a valid reason to make.

Those changes may include:

- (i) changes made to clarify the terms of the policy;
- (ii) changes which are necessary to reflect changes in applicable laws and regulations; and
- (iii) changes to the cost of the insurance cover to reflect changes in our own costs and other economic considerations.

We do appreciate, however, that when the time comes you may not want us to make those changes, and we explain below the protections we will put in place to ensure that you have an opportunity to consider those changes and to refuse them, should you wish to do so, before your insurance is renewed.

We will always provide **you** with full written details of any changes which **we** intend to make to the terms of **your** insurance cover at least 21 days before **your** policy is due for renewal, which is when those changes would be due to take effect. **We** will not be entitled to make any changes unless **we** provide **you** with those details within that time-frame.

You will then have the right to tell us, within 14 days of receiving those written details, that you do not wish your policy to be changed in the manner notified to you. If you exercise that right, we will give you the opportunity to either:

- (a) renew your policy without any changes;
- (b) renew **your** policy subject to any alternative changes which **we** may offer to **you**; or
- (c) not renew your policy at all.

You can also cancel **your** policy at any time in any case. Full details relating to **your** cancellation rights are set out in the **policy terms**.

INTRODUCTION AND YOUR PROMISES TO US

We have pleasure in introducing this insurance policy from E&L®, for people who own **trailers** or horse-drawn vehicles. Much careful research went into devising the policy. **We** hope **you** will be pleased with the level of cover and the service **we** are offering.

The policy sets out the cover **we** provide. Please read the policy as soon as **you** receive it. If **you** do not keep to the conditions, **your** policy could become void or **we** may not be able to accept liability for a claim. If **you** are not entirely happy with the cover provided, please return it to **us** within 14 days without making a claim. **We** will then cancel the policy and refund the whole of **your** premium.

The policy is a contract of insurance. It may include new benefits, conditions and so on. If **you** filled in an out-of-date proposal form or this is a renewal, **we** recommend **you** read the policy carefully, as it may differ from what **you** have seen before.

We insure **you** from the date **you** go on cover with **us** by phone or the date on which **we** receive and accept **your** fully completed proposal form, whichever is sooner.

The proposal form **you** fill in is the basis of this contract. **We** provide insurance under the policy for the sections listed in the **schedule** or any endorsement.

The policy **schedule** is important. It lists the cover **you** have chosen, it is proof of **your** insurance and it may be needed if **you** have a claim. **We** will not be liable for more than the limit of cover shown in the relevant part of the **schedule**. The policy depends on warranties (promises), conditions and exclusions. If **you** ask **we** may agree to change any part of the policy.

We as the insurer and **you**, as the insured, are entitled to choose the law applicable to this contract of insurance. **We** propose English law and, in the absence of any agreement to the contrary, English law will apply.

Your promises

You promise that the **trailer** will be clamped by a proper wheel clamp when not in use unless it is kept in a building:

- (a) that is totally enclosed and secure; and
- (b) that is a permanent substantial structure of brick, stone or timber; and
- (c) has doors kept locked by a patent 5-lever lock and the windows secured by patent window locks.

You promise that the **trailer** is clamped by a proper wheel clamp when in use but unattended.

This is a master policy wording showing all Sections of cover available for this type of insurance. Some sections of cover offered may not apply to **your** insurance. Please check **your** policy **schedule** to see what sections of cover are applicable to **your** insurance cover. A policy

excess applies to all Sections of cover unless stated differently in the policy **schedule**.

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Francis Martin
Chief Executive Officer
Signed on behalf of The Equine & Livestock Insurance
Company Limited.

DEFINITIONS

Excess - The amount **you** must pay towards each and every claim. If claims are made under more than one section of cover, an **excess** will apply to each section of cover under which a claim is made.

Material Fact - any event, fact or occurrence which would influence a decision, made by any party, as to whether or not to enter into a contract of insurance either at inception or policy review.

Period of insurance - For yearly policies a period of at least 365 days from the start of the policy or the last renewal; 28 days for monthly policies, unless agreed otherwise.

Policy term- Policy term is as agreed and stipulated in the policy **schedule** and is one of the following:

Yearly policy - Runs for 365 days from the commencement date shown on the policy **schedule**. This type of policy automatically renews annually.

Lunar Monthly - Runs for and premiums are collected on, equal periods of 28 days. This type of policy automatically renews every 28 days.

Calendar Monthly - Runs for and premiums are collected on a calendar month basis. This type of policy automatically renews every calendar month.

Automatic renewal is subject to receipt of premium.

Schedule - The document showing the details of **the policyholder** and the cover provided.

Trailer - The **trailer** or horse-drawn vehicle shown as insured in the **schedule**.

We / Us / the Company- The Equine & Livestock Insurance Company Limited.

You / Your / the Policyholder - Person or persons named in the schedule.

GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS

This policy does not cover any damage, loss or liability arising outside the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or Isle of Man, except as set out in Section 4.

SECTION 1 - FIRE, THEFT, ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE AND OPTIONAL NEW-FOR-OLD COVER

Cover

We will pay up to the cost price, market value or the sum insured as shown in the **schedule** or any endorsement (whichever is less) for fire, theft following forcible entry, or accidental damage to the **trailer**. It must have been under the custody or control of **you** or **your** immediate family. We will base the settlement on the original cost price less depreciation, or the market value (whichever is less), unless the **schedule** shows that **you** have taken the new-for-old cover detailed below.

We will choose whether to pay **you** or to repair or replace the items. **You** must keep a dated receipt for the wheel clamps as proof of buying.

If the **trailer** is stolen or totally destroyed within the new for old period specified in the **schedule**, **our** replacement will be based on the sum insured value or new market value if less.

SECTION 2 - REPLACEMENT HIRE

Cover

If the **trailer** becomes unusable for more than 24 hours because of loss or damage covered under Section 1, **we** cover **you** up to the amount specified in the **schedule** for the reasonable cost **you** incur of hiring another **trailer** similar to the one insured.

SECTION 3 - PUBLIC LIABILITY

We insure you up to the amount specified in the schedule in respect of:-

- Amounts **you** become legally liable to pay and/or
- costs and expenses of defending litigation incurred with our written consent for claims made against You for death or bodily injury or loss or damage to property arising from one event or all events of a series consequent on one original cause happening during the period of insurance and caused by or through your use of the trailer specified in the schedule.

Conditions

- 1. **You** must not admit responsibility, offer, promise, pay or agree to pay any claim or negotiate with any other persons following an incident.
- You must inform us immediately of any impending prosecution inquest or fatal inquiry or civil proceedings. You must send us every piece of correspondence and document you receive without replying to it.

3.

- (a) **You** must allow **us** to take over and conduct in **your** name the defence or settlement of any claim for **our** own benefit;
- (b) You must allow us to take proceedings in your name, at our own expense and for our own benefit, to recover compensation or secure an indemnity from any third party; and you shall give all information and assistance required.
- 4. For any claim or series of claims **we** may at any time pay **you** the amount of the limit of indemnity or any lower amount which the claim(s) can be settled for.

We will have no further liability in the claim(s) except for the third party's costs and expenses incurred up to the date of payment.

Exclusions

1.

- (a) Death or bodily injury, loss or damage to property in respect of the insured horse-drawn vehicle if the horse drawing the vehicle is not insured with us for public liability.
- (b) Death or bodily injury, loss or damage occurring while the **trailer** is being transported or towed by a motor vehicle, is attached to or becomes detached from a motor vehicle.
- The carrying on of any trade, business or profession or use of the **trailer** for hire or reward or racing or any other activity where speed is of the essence.
- 3. Death or bodily injury to you, any person handling the trailer with your permission or consent, any person that lives with you, any member of your immediate family, your agent or licensee, any person in the course of their employment or under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you.
- 4. Loss or damage to any property owned, held in trust, in the charge of or under the control of you, any person that lives with you, any member of your immediate family, your agent or licensee, any person in the course of their employment or under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you.
- 5. Pollution or contamination of water, buildings or structures, land, or the atmosphere and death or bodily injury, loss or damage to property caused by such pollution or contamination other than caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time.
- 6. Any event which results from **your** deliberate act or omission and which could reasonably have been expected by **you** having regard to the nature and circumstances of such act or omission.

SECTIONS 4 - EUROPEAN USE

Cover

This insurance operates for the period specified and up to the maximum total in a year as stated on the **schedule** while the **trailer** is in Europe (including sea crossings).

EXCLUSIONS APPLYING TO SECTIONS 1,2 AND 4

- 1. Depreciation, deterioration, manufacturing defects, wear and tear, damage or loss caused by moth, vermin, mildew, rot, water leakage of any cause, or any gradually operating process.
- 2. Mechanical or electrical breakdown or fault.
- Damage to tyres by braking or by punctures on roads, cuts or bursts.
- 4. Any horse-drawn vehicle while taking part in any driving trials or competitions, cross-country events or practising for them.

5. Any trailer:

- (a) let out for hire or reward; or
- (b) being used for anything except **your** private purposes; or
- (c) not maintained in an efficient condition; or
- (d) being used in an illegal or dangerous manner.
- Any amount above the last known list price of any part or accessory that is now useless or no longer available.
- 7. Theft or attempted theft if the security requirements in **your** promises have not been followed.
- 8. Theft of any tack left in a trailer.
- 9. Loss due to delay or detention by authorities.
- 10. Loss due to storms.
- 11. Loss, theft or malicious damage not reported to the police as soon as possible after discovery.

SETTING CLAIMS

- When we are told of a potential claim, we will need you to fill in the relevant claim form.
- We cannot accept any liability for a claim if this form has not been returned to us immediately and at most within 21 days.
- 3. Settlement is based on the original cost price less depreciation, or the market value, whichever is less, unless section 1(b) applies to **you**.
- 4. Depreciation will be at least 17.5% for the first year following purchase and at least 10% for each following year.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

- We are only liable if we have received the correct premium before the start of each period of insurance or within the credit period if we have allowed one to an agent.
- 2. **You** must observe and fulfil all the terms, conditions and endorsements of the policy otherwise **we** will not be liable under the policy.
- 3. You must not misstate or omit or conceal a material fact from the proposal for this insurance or when renewing it or claiming against it. Otherwise the policy is void and we will not return the premium.
- You must take all reasonable steps to prevent loss, damage or accidents and maintain any property covered under the policy in a sound and roadworthy condition.
- 5. How to claim: On discovering any loss, destruction or damage giving rise or likely to give rise to a claim under the policy, **You** must immediately notify and give full details to **our** head office: The Equine & Livestock Insurance Company Ltd, Thorpe Underwood Hall, Ouseburn, York YO26 9SS. If **you** have not received an acknowledgement from **us** within two weeks of sending them, **you** must send **us**

the details again by recorded delivery. **You** must cooperate fully and truthfully to give **us** any information **we** may need.

- 6. If any loss, damage or liability is insured by any other policy (or would be insured if this policy did not exist) we will not be liable for the whole claim. We will only pay anything over the amount which should have been paid under that policy (or policies) if this insurance had not been taken out.
- 7. We will not pay a claim that is in any way untrue or fraudulent, or arises from a malicious, wilful or criminal act by you or someone acting on your behalf; someone caring for or in control of the insured property; or one of your relations, agents, employees, licensees, paying guests or someone living with you.
- 8. You must notify us as soon as possible of any change in circumstances relevant to this policy. Failure to do so may invalidate your policy. We reserve the right to alter the terms of your policy immediately we are notified of such changes.
- 9. All losses must be backed up by receipts for the insured property or for any costs incurred. The receipts must show the date, price paid, details of the item and name and address of the seller. For theft or attempted theft claims, you must produce a dated receipt for the wheel clamp.
- 10. This insurance will stop covering any item as soon as you sell it or part with any interest in it, whether temporarily or permanently.
- 11. If any dispute arises as to the amount to be paid under the policy, it may be referred to an arbiter to be appointed by the parties in accordance with the statutory provisions in force at the time. This provision for arbitration adds to **your** legal rights and does not replace them.
- 12. If you pay your premium by direct debit or credit card, and you default on any payment, a charge of £3.99 will be added to your next collection.
- 13. When we invite you to renew your policy we may, at our discretion alter premiums, cover, terms and
- 14. In the event of claims settlement becoming due **we** will issue settlement by BACS transfer. Where bank account details have not been provided or this is not possible settlement will be despatched by cheque. Settlement will be issued to **you** unless otherwise requested. **You** can request an alternative payee by ticking the relevant box on the claim form **you** fill in and by providing the third party name.

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

- 1. Business use or hiring/lending out.
- Any theft or loss arising from deception, fraud or use of stolen, forged or invalid cheques / drafts / bank notes or the like.
- 3. Use of insured property for anything except social, domestic or pleasure purposes.
- 4. **We** will not pay for any losses which are not expressly covered by the terms and conditions of

this policy.

- 5. Any liability that arises only because of an agreement or contract.
- Loss / depreciation resulting from reduction in the market value of any property covered under this policy.
- Losses caused by an animal bolting, shying, kicking, escaping and so on if the animal has a history of doing so, unless we have been told about its history and have accepted it in writing.
- 8. Loss or damage in an unknown place or that cannot be identified as occurring within a certain 24-hour period.
- Any loss occurring where the vehicle towing the trailer does not comply with the manufacturers recommendations.
- 10. Any loss, injury, damage, illness, death or legal liability caused by or arising from the failure of any computer hardware or software or any other electrical equipment.
- 11. Any legal liability or consequence associated with or caused by war, invasion, act of foreign enemy or hostilities (whether war is declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution or insurrection, riot, civil commotion, looting in connection with any of these, strikes or lock-outs, military power or coup.
- 12. Any legal liability or consequence associated with or caused by nuclear or radioactive escape, accident, explosion, waste or contamination.
- 13. Loss, destruction or damage directly from pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices.
- Any claims arising as a result of your, or the insured horse's, participation in a prohibited and/or illegal activity.
- 15. We do not cover any loss, injury, damage, illness, death or legal liability, directly or indirectly, caused by, happening through, in consequence of or contributed to by:
 - (a) Influenza or any derivation or variant thereof;
 - (b) arising from any fear or threat (whether actual or perceived) of such Influenza;
 - (c) any action taking in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to any outbreak of such Influenza.

If **we** allege that, by reason of this exclusion, any claim is not covered by this insurance the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the policyholder.

16. Any claims as a result of any notifiable disease.

PREMIUM AND EXCESS REVIEW

- 1. The premium and excess for this policy is reviewed at least once a year.
- When reviewing your premium and excess we will consider any future impact to one or more of the following.

- (a) Changes due to new information arising from our own experience suggesting that our future claims experience is likely to be better or worse than previously assumed. This information includes changes to the number and types of claims we expect to pay or changes to the average expected amount paid per claim.
- (b) Changes due to new information arising from external sources such as general industry population or reinsurer experience is likely to be better or worse than previously assumed.
- (c) Changes to **your** circumstances such as any change to **your** address.
- (d) Changes due to legislative, tax or regulatory requirements such as:
 - (i) expenses related to providing the insurance
 - (ii) policies lapse rates which means the average time policies are held
 - (iii) interest rates
 - (iv) tax rates
 - (v) the cost of any legal or regulatory requirements
- As a result of the premium and excess review, your premium and/or excess may go up, stay the same or go down and there is no limit to the amount of any change.
- If we change your premium and/or excess and you do not wish to continue your cover, you should contact us to cancel.

POLICY ALTERATION OR REINSTATEMENT & DUPLICATE DOCUMENTS

If **you** wish to make a change to **your** policy after the first 14 days of policy inception or, if for any reason **we** reinstate **your** policy, a £10 administration fee applies to any amendments made. Any increase or improvement in cover will be subject to a 14 day deferment period.

Should **you** request additional copies of **your** policy documentation to be issued by post, there will be a £10 "replacement documents" charge in respect of this.

CANCELLATION RIGHTS

You can cancel at any time.

If **you** cancel within the first 14 days of policy inception, and no claim has been made, **you** will receive a full refund of any premium paid. If **you** have a monthly policy, cover will be cancelled with effect from the date **your** next policy premium is due.

If **you** have an annual policy and have not made a claim, a return of premium will be issued in accordance with **our** cancellation rates, as follows:

Time on risk	Percentage of premium returned
One month	80% less £10
Two months	70% less £10

Three months	60% less £10
Four months	50% less £10
Five months	40% less £10
Six months	30% less £10
Seven months	25% less £10
Eight months	20% less £10
Over nine months	Nil

If **you** have made a claim, **you** will not be entitled to any refund.

We may cancel this insurance at any time, in which case, we will return the premiums paid, in accordance with the above table. Our liability then ceases immediately but without affecting your or our rights under the policy up to the cancellation date. Notice will be treated as sufficiently given if posted to your last known address. Following the cancellation charge, no refund will be made of any amount equal to or less than £25.

Should **you** wish to alter **your** policy or cancel it please contact **our** office. This can be done in writing at the address noted below, by phone on 03300 243 360, fax 03300 242 971 or by emailing policyadmin@eandl.co.uk. For alterations and cancellation at renewal please write to the address noted below, telephone 03300 243 360, fax 03300 242 971 or email <u>renewals@eandl.co.uk</u>. If **you** have not received an acknowledgement from us within 14 days of sending details, **you** must post the details by recorded delivery.

If **you** wish to appeal against any decision regarding the administration of **your** policy (new business, mid-term or renewal), please write to the Customer Contact Manager. If **you** wish to submit a formal complaint, please refer to **our** Complaints Handling Procedure.

CLAIMS

If you require any assistance with any aspect of your claim please contact us either by e-mail at claims@eandl.co.uk or by phone on 03300 243 438. If you wish to appeal against a decision made regarding your claim (including the assessment or the outcome), please write to the Claims Manager. If you wish to submit a formal complaint, please refer to our Complaints Handling Procedure.

COMPLAINT HANDLING PROCEDURE (YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS REMAIN UNAFFECTED)

If you are unhappy with any aspect of our service and wish to make a formal complaint, please put your complaint in writing and address your complaint to the Chief Executive Officer. We will issue a response within 8 weeks from the date we receive your complaint.

All correspondence should be addressed to The Equine and Livestock Insurance Company Limited, Thorpe Underwood Hall, Ouseburn, York YO26 9SS.

If you do not receive satisfaction through our internal complaints handling procedure, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR (tel: 0800 023 4 567 or 0300 123 9 123, email: complaint.info@financialombudsman.org.uk, website: www.financialombudsman.org.uk) within 6 months of the date of the

Chief Executive Officer's response.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please note that **our** preferred method of contacting **you** is by email (upon receipt of a valid email address). **We** feel that contact by email is the quickest method of communication and using email rather than the post is kinder to the environment.

Quotations/Sales: t: 03300 243 254, f: 03300 242 971,

e: quotes@eandl.co.uk

Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 8.00am-8.30pm Sat 8.30am-

5.00pm Sun 9.00am-4.00pm

Claims: t: 03300 243 438, f: 03300 242 971,

e: claims@eandl.co.uk

Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 8am-7.00pm Sat 9.00am-

12.00pm

Existing Customers: t: 03300 243 360, f: 03300 242 971,

e: policyadmin@eandl.co.uk

Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 8.00am-8.30pm Sat 8.30am-

5.00pm Sun 9.00am-4pm

Affiliates/Brokers: t: 03300 243 229, f: 03300 242 971,

e: broker@eandl.co.uk

Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 8.30am-5.00pm

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