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General Dwelling Protector

Policy booklet



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General Dwelling Protector Policy

Your General Dwelling Protector (GDP insurance) policy is made up of a Cover Page and this booklet. Your policy is a legal contract between you and us. This booklet explains your coverages and is written in a language to make it easier for you to understand your insurance product Your policy can cover your dwelling, detached private structures and personal property, as well as dwellings you rent to others and vacant or unoccupied dwellings. Your Cover Page will show the location of the dwelling covered by your policy. If you are insuring more than one dwelling, each dwelling must be shown on your Cover Page. Your General Dwelling Protector policy can also provide coverage for personal liability. Other property may be insured, if you choose.

Your Cover Page shows the coverages you have chosen, what we agree to insure, the coverage we provide, and the **amount of protection**. It also shows the premium you have agreed to pay. All **amounts of protection** are shown and all losses are payable in Canadian dollars.

There are four coverage options available for **dwelling**, detached private structures and personal property:

Code A Code B Code C

Code AE

Your Cover Page shows which Cover Code you have.

This policy booklet is in three parts:

Part 1 – Dwellings, Detached Private Structures and Personal Property

explains coverage for property you own or use.

Part 2 – Personal Liability

 explains coverage for your liability due to your personal actions that involve bodily injury or property damage to someone else.

Part 3 – Statutory Conditions

these are conditions we must tell you about by law.

All claims will be settled directly with the person(s) named on **your** Cover Page. Only the person(s) named on **your** Cover Page may make a claim against this policy and may take legal action against **us**.

Claims presented for loss or damage by any person(s) covered under this policy, shall be considered to be made by all named or unnamed insured person(s) jointly. Action(s) of any person either individually or jointly shall be considered action(s) by all for the purpose of investigation and settlement of losses.

Every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under the contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in the *Limitations Act*.

The key to **your** policy is its Cover Page. It shows the type and amount of **your** coverage. It gives the location of the property **you** are insuring and it describes certain types of property **you** are insuring. **Your** coverage starts at 12:01 A.M. standard time on the **Effective Date**. It ends at 12:01 A.M. standard time on the **Expiry Date**. **Your** Cover Page shows both of these dates. This is **your policy term**.

This policy contains various exclusions and limitations that eliminate or restrict coverage. Please read it carefully.

Insurance cannot be a source of profit. It is designed to indemnify you against actual losses or expenses incurred by you or for which you are legally liable.

Definitions

In addition to the other terms defined elsewhere in the Policy, as used herein and in any further amendment, the following terms and expressions have the following meanings:

Actual Cash Value means the cost to replace or repair your property considering depreciation which includes such things as its age, condition, resale value, obsolescence, and normal life expectancy at the time of loss. The value of property usually falls as it ages. Thus, Actual Cash Value is normally lower than the cost to replace your property at today's prices.

Amount of Protection means the maximum amount we will pay for an insured loss in any one occurrence or incident. Different amounts apply to different coverages and these amounts are shown on your Cover Page.

Business means any continuous or regular pursuit undertaken for financial gain including a trade, profession, or occupation.

Business Premises means premises on which a business is conducted.

Business Property means property pertaining to a business, trade, profession or occupation.

Collapse means the complete failure or breaking down of a foundation, wall, floor or roof of **your dwelling** or detached private structures.

Data means representations of information or concepts, in any form, including programs, recorded on electronic media usable in **data** processing operations.

Data Problem means:

- erasure, destruction, corruption, misappropriation, misinterpretation of data; or
- error in creating, amending, entering, deleting or using data; or
- inability to receive, transmit or use data.

Dwelling means the building at the location described on **your** Cover Page owned and/or occupied by **you** as a private residence.

Earthquake includes snowslide, landslide or other earth movements occurring at the same time as, and directly resulting from an earthquake shock and other natural or man-made earth movements resulting from mining or fracking operations. Each loss caused by earthquake shall constitute a single claim providing that all earthquake shocks occur within any 168 consecutive hours during the policy term.

Fungi means, but is not limited to, any form or type of mould, yeast, mushroom or mildew whether or not allergenic, pathogenic or toxigenic, and any substance, vapour or gas produced by, emitted from or arising out of any fungi or spore(s) or resultant mycotoxins, allergens, or pathogens.

Ground Water means water in the soil beneath the surface of the ground, including but not limited to water in wells, underground streams and percolating water.

Insured means the person(s) named on **your** Cover Page and the following unnamed person(s) living in the same household:

- the spouse of the person(s) named on your Cover Page. Spouse also means either of two persons of the same or opposite sex who have been continuously living together in a conjugal relationship and have so lived together for a period of two years or, if they are the natural or adoptive parents of a child, for a period of one year.
- members of your immediate family.

Insured Peril means a cause of loss or damage insured under the type of coverage shown on **your** Cover Page for that specific property.

Jet Propulsion Personal Watercraft means any motorized sea vehicle, jet ski or other motorized water device designed as a self-propelled unit used on water. They can be designed to carry the operator only or to carry the operator and one or more passengers. Where we use the term personal watercraft unit it means a jet propulsion personal watercraft as defined herein.

Landlord's Contents means personal property that you own, for use by tenants, contained within your rented premises.

Occurrence means a loss to insured property caused by one or more of the insured perils.

Pollutant(s) means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminants, including smoke, odour, vapour, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

Principal Residence means the sole or primary location at which you live.

Rental Income or Rental Value means the financial remuneration you receive from renting your property to others.

Rented Dwelling means a dwelling that you own, but rent to others as a private residence.

Replacement Cost means the cost to repair or replace property with material of similar kind and quality at today's prices without deduction for depreciation.

Residence Employee means a person employed by you to perform duties in connection with the maintenance or use of the premises. This includes persons who perform household or domestic services for you, or duties of a similar nature, at or away from your premises. This does not include persons while performing duties in connection with your business.

Rupture means damage to a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning system within **your dwelling** caused by sudden and accidental bursting, tearing apart, cracking, burning, or bulging of the system, due to the pressure of or lack of water or steam.

Sewer Back Up means back up, accidental discharge or escape or overflow of water or sewage from a sewer, sump, or septic tank.

Spore(s) means, but is not limited to, any reproductive particle or microscopic fragment produced by, emitted from or arising out of any fungi.

Surface Water means water on the surface of the ground where water does not usually accumulate in ordinary circumstances.

Terrorism means an ideologically motivated unlawful act or acts, including but not limited to the use of violence or force or threat of violence or force, committed by or on behalf of any group(s), organization(s), or government(s) for the purpose of influencing any government and/or instilling fear in the public or a section of the public.

Vacant means the dwelling is not occupied and, regardless of the presence of furnishings:

- all occupants have moved out with no intention of returning and no new occupant has taken up residence; or
- no occupant has yet taken up residence, however, a newly acquired dwelling which is to be your principal residence, will not be deemed vacant for the first 30 days from the date of title registration to you; or
- the dwelling will not be deemed to be vacant or subject to vacancy restrictions or exclusions up to the first 90 consecutive days following the death of the Insured or until the expiry date of the policy, whichever comes first.

Water Escape means accidental discharge or overflow of water or steam from a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning system, household appliance, aquarium, waterbed, a swimming pool or hot tub or their equipment, or a public watermain. Watermain means a pipe forming a part of a water distribution system that conveys consumable water but not waste water.

We, us or our means SGI CANADA Insurance Services Ltd.

You or your refers to Insured - see definition.

Coverage

The coverage provided by this policy is as follows. **Your** choice of coverage will be shown on **your** Cover Page. Refer to the specific coverage details for a complete description of the coverage, exclusions, limitations and conditions applicable.

Coverage A – Dwelling

Coverage B – Detached Private Structures

Coverage C - Personal Property

Coverage D – Additional Living Expenses

Coverage E - Personal Liability

Coverage F - Voluntary Medical Payments

Coverage G - Voluntary Property Damage Payments

Part 1 – Your Dwelling, Detached Private Structures and Personal Property

Your Premises

Means your dwelling and the grounds and detached private structures associated with it that you own and/or live on, at the location shown on your Cover Page. We cover the following property for the **amount of** protection shown on your Cover Page.

Your Dwelling – Coverage A

Means **your dwelling** and attached additions including equipment and structures that are permanently in place as part of **your dwelling** and its grounds except those used in whole or in part for any **business** or farming purpose. This includes such things as fences, storm windows, satellite antennae, swimming pools and their attached equipment. These things are covered even while away from **your premises** for a short time due to repair or seasonal storage.

We cover building materials you are going to use as part of your dwelling:

- a) located on your premises.
- b) which you acquire and transport to your premises.

Permission is granted to make alterations, additions and repairs to **your dwelling**.

Your Detached Private Structures – Coverage B

Means any building located on the grounds and separated from the **dwelling**. They are separate buildings even if they are attached to the **dwelling** by a fence, utility line or similar connection. This includes such things as garages, garden sheds, gazebos and swimming pool enclosures.

We cover building materials you are going to use as part of your detached private structures:

- a) located on your premises.
- b) which you acquire and transport to your premises.

We will not cover detached private structures when designed, used, or intended for use, in whole or in part for any **business**, residential occupancy or farming purpose. You may rent them to someone else, as long as they are not used in whole or in part for any **business**, residential occupancy or farming purpose.

We will not cover greenhouses, garden frames, or the like.

Permission is granted to make alterations, additions and repairs to **your** detached private structures.

Your Personal Property – Coverage C

Means personal property that **you** own or use, kept at **your premises**. Coverage is extended to include the following:

- personal property that is away from your premises temporarily, other than personal property in storage. Personal property in storage shall mean personal property not in current use and kept at a location away from your premises.
- personal property kept in a safety deposit box.
- personal property in storage in an occupied private dwelling.
- personal property stored in a commercial storage facility designed for that purpose.

- personal property in storage away from your premises for up to 30 consecutive days, if stored elsewhere than in an occupied private dwelling or commercial storage facility designed for that purpose.
 We will extend this 30 day coverage if you tell us of placing your personal property into storage and this is shown on your Cover Page. This will involve an extra premium charge.
- furs, watercraft, their equipment, accessories, outboard motors, and jet propulsion personal watercraft, including boat trailers during seasonal storage away from your premises.
- golf carts kept year round at a golf course.
- personal property while you move them to a new principal residence in Canada. This coverage lasts for 30 days from the day you start the move and covers losses occurring:
 - at your premises shown on your Cover Page.
 - in transit.
 - at your new premises.

There are some limits on the kind of personal property we will cover and the amounts blanket coverage will pay. They are shown in the sections entitled Property with Special Limits of Insurance and Property and Causes of Loss We Do Not Cover contained within this wording booklet.

Any personal property we cover as Scheduled Personal Articles or which are specifically insured elsewhere are not covered here. The basic limitation within the policy no longer applies to that item.

Perils Insured – Cover Code A

When Cover Code A is shown on **your** Cover Page, **we** cover direct physical loss or damage caused by the following 10 Perils:

- 1) Fire or Lightning.
- 2) Explosion or Implosion.
- Smoke. By this we mean damage due to sudden and unusual failure of a heating or cooking unit in or on the premises. This includes such things as a furnace, stove or fireplace.
- Falling Objects that hit the outside of an insured building or structure.
- 5) Impact by Aircraft, Spacecraft or Land Vehicles.
- 6) Riot.
- 7) Vandalism or Malicious Acts. We do not cover loss or damage:
 - directly or indirectly caused by theft or attempted theft.
 - while your dwelling is under construction, vacant or unoccupied, regardless if permission for construction or vacancy was given elsewhere.
 - caused by you or anyone living in your household.
 - to property from that part of your premises rented by you to others, caused by any tenant, tenant's guests, tenant's employees or members of their households, unless fire ensues and then we only cover the loss or damage caused by the ensuing fire.
- 8) Water Escape and Rupture. If you or your tenant with your knowledge, are away from your premises for more than 10 consecutive days during the normal heating season, you or your tenant must do one of three things. You or your tenant must shut off the water supply and drain all pipes, attached fixtures, and appliances or arrange to have a reliable person come in daily to check the heating or have your premises electronically monitored 24 hours per day by a company that monitors and responds to a low temperature signal. If you or your renant does not, we will not cover loss or damage caused by freezing or resulting water damage.

We do not cover loss or damage to your dwelling or personal property if your dwelling is under construction; has been vacant; or is unoccupied for more than 30 consecutive days. We do not cover loss or damage caused by freezing to any part of a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning system or household appliance that is not in a heated building, or any resulting water damage.

We do not cover loss or damage caused:

- by rust, corrosion or deterioration.
- by seepage or continuous or repeated leakage.
- by sewer back up.
- 9) Windstorm or Hail. The interior of a building and personal property inside are also covered, but only if the damage happens immediately after wind or hail first makes an opening in the building. This peril does not cover loss or damage caused by waves, flood, high water, ice, rain, snow or sleet, whether driven by wind or not.
- Electricity. Means sudden and accidental loss or damage caused by artificially generated electrical current.

There are other causes of loss we will not cover under this policy. These are shown under Property and Causes of Loss We Do Not Cover.

Perils Insured – Cover Code B

When Cover Code B is shown on **your** Cover Page, **we** cover direct physical loss or damage caused by the perils shown in Cover Code A, plus the following perils:

- 11) Glass Breakage. We cover any cause of loss to glass or safety glazing material. These things must form part of a building, storm door or window. We do not cover these things while your dwelling or detached private structures are under construction, vacant or unoccupied, even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.
- 12) Collapse. We cover direct physical loss or damage due to the collapse of a foundation, wall, floor, or roof of your dwelling or detached private structures caused by any of these three things:
 - a peril insured by this policy.
 - the weight of contents, equipment, or people.
 - the weight of rain, ice, snow, or sleet on the roof.

We do not cover loss or damage caused by collapse while your dwelling or detached private structures are under construction or vacant even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.

- 13) Escape of Fuel Oil. We cover loss or damage to insured dwellings, detached private structures and personal property caused by the sudden and accidental bursting or overflowing of your domestic fixed fuel oil tank, apparatus or pipes.
- 14) Transportation. We cover loss or damage to personal property and building fixtures and fittings while they are being transported if caused by an accident to the transporting vehicle.

There are other causes of loss we will not cover under this policy. These are shown under Property and Causes of Loss We Do Not Cover.

Perils Insured – Cover Code C

When Cover Code C is shown on **your** Cover Page, **we** cover direct physical loss or damage caused by Comprehensive Perils:

Comprehensive Perils. Shown below are some perils or causes of loss that we exclude. If these are the cause of loss or damage, we will not cover such loss or damage. If the peril that causes loss or damage is not one of the perils shown below, then you are covered.

We do not cover loss or damage:

- a) caused by water below ground level including that which exerts pressure on or flows, seeps or leaks through any opening in a sidewalk, driveway, foundation, wall, window, door or floor. We will, however, cover if it was due to a sudden and unexpected escape of water from a swimming pool or its attached equipment, fire fighting activities, or a public watermain.
- b) caused by flood, surface water, waves, tidal waves, overflow of streams or other bodies of water, spray, ice, waterborne ice, shoreline ice build-up, or waterborne objects, whether any of the former are driven by wind or not. But we will, however, cover loss or damage if it is due to a sudden and unexpected escape of water from a swimming pool or its attached equipment, fire fighting activities, or a public watermain. We will cover loss or damage to watercraft due to sudden and unexpected flood, surface water and waves.
- c) caused by wear and tear, rust, corrosion, or deterioration.
- d) caused by water entering your dwelling and/or detached private structure, unless the water entered through an opening which was created suddenly and accidentally by a Listed Peril. We will, however, provide coverage if the loss was due to water that entered through a roof due to the accumulation of ice or snow on the exterior of the roof or eavestrough.
- e) caused by freezing or resulting water escape from a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning system, or household appliance during the normal heating season and you, or your tenant with your knowledge, are away from your premises for more than 10 consecutive days. In order to have this coverage, you or your tenant must do one of three things. You or your tenant must shut off the water supply and drain all pipes, attached fixtures, and appliances, or arrange to have a reliable person come in daily to check the heating, or have your dwelling electronically monitored 24 hours per day by a company that monitors and responds to a low temperature signal. But, we will not cover loss or damage if your dwelling is under construction; has been vacant; or is unoccupied for more than 30 consecutive days, even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.
- caused by dampness of atmosphere, extremes of temperature, condensation (includes ice and/or frost from condensation), wet or dry rot, mould, acid rain, contamination, inherent vice, unknown flaw and defect.
- g) caused by mechanical breakdown, except as covered under Optional Coverage – Home Systems Protection.
- caused by seepage or continuous or repeated leakage of water or steam from a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler, or air conditioning system, household appliance, a swimming pool or hot tub or their attached equipment, or a public watermain.
- caused by rupture or freezing to an outdoor swimming pool or hot tub and the attached equipment of either, any part of a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler, or air conditioning system, or household appliance not in a heated building or a public watermain.
- j) due to theft or attempted theft, vandalism or malicious acts:
 - (i) to property from that part of your premises rented by you to others caused by any tenant, tenant's guests, tenant's employees or members of their household, unless fire ensues and then we only cover the loss or damage caused by the ensuing fire.
 - (ii) caused by you or anyone living in your household.
 - (iii) while your dwelling is under construction, vacant or unoccupied, even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.
- caused by escape of water or steam from a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning system, household appliance, swimming pool or hot tub or their attached equipment, or public watermain occurring after your dwelling is under construction or has been

vacant or unoccupied for more than 30 consecutive days, even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.

- caused by vermin (such as skunks and raccoons), rodents (such as squirrels and mice), insects (such as moths and termites), moles, zebra mussels, bats, birds, or domesticated animals. We will cover resulting damage to building glass caused by birds if the peril of Glass Breakage is insured under your policy.
- m) caused by sudden and accidental bursting, tearing apart, cracking, burning, or bulging due to the pressure of or lack of water or steam in a plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning system, or an appliance for heating water occurring after your dwelling is under construction or has been vacant or unoccupied for more than 30 consecutive days, even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.
- n) due to marring or scratching of any property or breakage of any fragile or brittle article unless caused by a Listed Peril, theft or attempted theft.
- caused by glass breakage or collapse while your dwelling or detached private structures are vacant, unoccupied or under construction, even if we have given permission for construction or vacancy.
- p) to retaining walls not constituting part of an insured building, unless caused by a Listed Peril.
- caused by sewer back up. We do not cover loss or damage caused by sewer back up from public sewers or drains outside your dwelling.
- r) caused by smoke from agricultural or industrial operations.
- s) to sporting equipment due to the use of it.
- to contact lenses unless the loss or damage is caused by a Listed Peril, theft or attempted theft.

We do not cover the following three things if they happen at the same time as an excluded peril or cause of loss above or elsewhere in this policy or contribute with an excluded peril or cause of loss to produce a loss:

- weather conditions.
- acts or decisions of any person, civic or government authorities.
- faulty, inadequate or defective planning, design, material, construction or maintenance of public utilities or public structures.

Listed Perils referred to previously, are fire, lightning, explosion or implosion, smoke, falling objects, impact by aircraft, spacecraft or land vehicles, riot, vandalism or malicious acts, water escape, rupture, windstorm or hail, electricity, transportation and escape of fuel oil, all as defined under Perils Insured.

There are other causes of loss we will not cover under this policy. These are shown under Property and Causes of Loss We Do Not Cover.

Cover Code AE

If Cover Code AE is shown on **your** Cover Page, **we** will cover **your vacant** or unoccupied dwelling for direct physical loss or damage caused by the listed perils as described under Cover Code A.

If **your dwelling** is **vacant** for more than 90 consecutive days, the most **we** will pay for loss or damage caused by fire or lightning is 2/3 of the actual amount of such loss or damage. (This does not apply unless shown on **your** Cover Page.)

Cover Code AE requires that the following conditions must be met:

- a) you must arrange to have a reliable person take care of your dwelling.
- b) all windows and doors must be closed and locked.
- c) all rubbish must be removed.

Added Features of Your Part 1 Coverage

We provide added features along with your regular coverage at no extra cost. These may be special types of coverage available to you, or they may be special uses of your regular coverage. We have noted those features that add to your total amount of protection. Otherwise, the coverages described are part of that amount of protection shown on your Cover Page.

Additional Living Expenses – Coverage D

You may use up to 10% of the **amount of protection** shown on **your** Cover Page for **your dwelling** or personal property to pay for an increase for each of the following. The length of time **we** will continue to make payments is not restricted by the expiry of **your** policy.

1. Additional Living Expenses

If the loss or damage makes **your premises** unfit for occupancy, we will pay for **your** moving costs. The loss or damage must be due to a peril for which **your premises** are insured. We will pay for the reasonable increase in **your** cost of living required to maintain **your** normal standard of living. We will not pay expenses for things that are not needed to support **you** during the period **your premises** remain unfit for occupancy. We will continue to pay only until **you** repair or replace **your premises**, or **you** permanently relocate. We will not pay for any increased costs due to unnecessary delays on **your** part, to repair or replace **your premises**, relocate, or to settle **your** household.

2. Lost Rental Income

We will pay for your actual loss of rental income for those parts of your premises that you were renting out when the loss took place. The loss or damage must be due to a peril for which your premises are insured. We will pay for the fair rental value of this property even if it was not rented out when the loss took place. You must show us that you were trying and able to rent it out at the time of loss. We will pay until you have had a reasonable length of time to repair or replace the part of your premises that you were renting out. We will deduct any savings in expenses, such as electric and water bills, which stop because of the loss.

3. Prohibited Access

When a civil authority prohibits access to your premises:

We will pay these costs for Additional Living Expenses and Lost Rental Income for up to two weeks. The denial must be due to damage to your or neighbouring premises from a peril for which your premises are insured. If you have Cover Code C – Comprehensive Perils, it must be due to a Listed Peril.

Arson Conviction Reward

We will pay \$1,000 for information which leads to a conviction for arson in connection with a fire loss to property insured by this policy. The amount we pay adds to your total amount of protection. The \$1,000 limit will not be increased regardless of the number of persons providing information.

This coverage is not subject to a deductible.

Automatic Acquisitions

Any personal property that is insurable under this policy that **you** acquire after the effective date of this policy is automatically covered subject to the terms of this policy. This includes items **you** purchase while away on vacation.

Debris Removal

You may have us pay to remove debris of insured property from your premises if your insured property has been damaged or destroyed by an insured peril.

We will also pay for removal of property of others, excluding trees, shrubs and plants, blown on to your premises by windstorm, if your insured property is damaged or destroyed by an insured peril. Debris removal expenses shall not be considered for the purpose of applying any co-insurance.

Declaration of Emergency Endorsement (Extension of Termination or Expiry Date)

The effective date of termination of this policy by the Insurer or the expiry date of this policy is extended, subject to the conditions and definitions set out below, as follows when an **Emergency** is declared by a Canadian public authority designated by statute for the purpose of issuing such an order.

- 1. The Emergency must have a direct effect or impact on:
 - a) the **Insured**, the insured site or insured property located in the declared emergency area; or
 - b) the operations of the Insurer or its agent/broker located in the declared emergency area.
- a) Any time limitation described in the Termination condition of this policy, with respect to termination of this policy by the Insurer, will not continue to run until the **Emergency** is terminated plus the lesser of:
 - (i) 30 days; or
 - (ii) the number of days equal to the total time the **Emergency** order was in effect.
 - b) If this policy is due to expire during an **Emergency**, it will continue in force until the **Emergency** is terminated plus the lesser of:
 - (i) 30 days; or
 - (ii) the number of days equal to the total time the **Emergency** order was in effect.
- In no event shall the total term of the extension exceed 120 consecutive days.

The **Insured** agrees to pay the *pro rata* premium earned for the additional time the Insurer remains on risk as a result of the above.

4. Definitions:

Emergency is defined as the first statutory declaration of an emergency:

- a) with respect to a situation or an impending situation that constitutes a danger of major proportions that could result in serious harm to persons or substantial damage to property and that is caused by the forces of nature, a disease or other health risk, an accident or an act whether intentional or otherwise; or
- as provided for by the relevant governing legislation if different from a) but does not include any subsequent statutory declaration(s) that may be issued relating to the same event.

All other terms and conditions of the Policy to which this endorsement applies remain unchanged.

Emergency Entry Property Damage

Coverage is automatically provided to repair damage to **your dwelling** (permanent or temporary residence) if damaged as a result of forcible entry by police, ambulance, fire department, or other persons to save and preserve life. This coverage adds to **your** total **amount of protection**.

This coverage is not subject to a deductible.

Fraud Conviction Reward

We will pay up to \$1,000 for information which leads to a conviction of fraud in connection with an insured loss to property insured by this policy. The amount we pay adds to **your** total **amount of protection**. The \$1,000 limit will not be increased regardless of the number of persons providing information.

This coverage is not subject to a deductible.

Inflation Protection Factor

To help protect **you** in the event **you** have a loss insured under Part 1, **we** will increase the **amount of protection** shown on **your** Cover Page by amounts which are solely attributable to the inflation increase since the inception date of this policy, the latest renewal or anniversary date or from the date of the most recent change to the amounts of insurance shown on the Cover Page, whichever is the latest.

On renewal or anniversary date, we will automatically increase the amounts of insurance shown on the Cover Page under Part 1 by amounts which are solely attributable to the inflation increase since the inception date of this policy or the latest renewal or anniversary date or from the date of the most recent change to the amounts of insurance shown on the Cover Page, and adjust the premium.

Vacant buildings do not have this added feature.

Outdoor Trees, Shrubs, Plants and Lawns

You may use up to 5% of the **amount of protection** on **your dwelling** to pay for loss or damage to outdoor trees, shrubs, plants and lawns. The loss must be due to one of these eight causes: 1) Fire. 2) Lightning. 3) Explosion or Implosion. 4) Riot. 5) Impact by Aircraft, Spacecraft or Land Vehicles. 6) Vandalism. 7) Malicious Acts. 8) Theft including damage caused by attempted theft.

We will pay up to \$1,000 for your lawn, single tree, plant or shrub including debris removal. This extension of coverage does not increase the amount of coverage available under **Property with Special Limits** of **Insurance** for cannabis plants. We do not insure any items grown for commercial purposes or sale.

Personal Property of Guests and Residence Employees

You may use up to 10% of your personal property protection for personal property of your residence employees or non-paying guests. This personal property must be at your premises or in the care of residence employees carrying out duties of their employment away from your premises. The loss must be due to a peril for which your own personal property is insured. Your guests or residence employees must not have any coverage on their personal property. All claims will be settled directly with you.

Property Protection Coverage

We will pay for property that is damaged or used trying to protect your dwelling, detached private structures, or personal property from a loss. For example, we will pay to recharge a neighbour's fire extinguisher if it was used to fight your fire. We will not pay for property owned by a fire department. The amount we pay adds to your total amount of protection.

Renter's Property Improvement Coverage

You have this feature if you live in a rented dwelling. You may use up to 10% of your personal property amount of protection to pay for loss to any improvements or other changes you have made in your dwelling. The loss must be due to a peril for which your personal property is insured.

Tear Out

We will pay to remove and replace or repair parts of **your dwelling** or **premises** if that is necessary to repair **rupture** damage to plumbing, heating, fire sprinkler or air conditioning systems.

We will not pay the cost of tearing out and replacing or repairing property for damage related to swimming pools, hot tubs or similar installations, public watermains, or sewers.

This coverage is not subject to a deductible.

Theft and Theft Related Damage

If not covered elsewhere in this policy, **you** may use up to \$500 to pay for theft related damage to **your dwelling** or detached private structures but **your** personal property must be insured for the peril of theft. The damage must be caused by theft or attempted theft of **your** personal property.

Optional Coverages

Your Cover Page will show which of the following optional coverages apply to your policy.

Earthquake Coverage

If this coverage is shown on **your** Cover Page, **we** will pay for direct physical loss or damage to **your dwelling**, detached private structures and personal property insured under Part 1 of this policy, caused by the peril of **earthquake**, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. We do not cover loss or damage:
 - caused directly or indirectly by flood, surface waters, waves, ice
 or waterborne objects, whether or not attributable to earthquake.
 - caused by windstorm or hail, rain or snow damage to your personal property contained within a building or to the interior of your dwelling or detached private structures, unless the earthquake first creates an opening in the building.
 - caused by earthquake shocks occurring before this coverage becomes effective nor for loss or damage occurring after the expiration of your policy.
 - excluded anywhere under Part 1 of your policy.
- We do not pay for the increased cost of repair or replacement due to the operation of any law regulating the zoning, demolition, repair or construction of buildings and their related services or increased costs associated with land stabilization.

You are also insured for Additional Living Expenses due to Prohibited Access because of mass evacuation, as defined in **your** policy, provided the evacuation is a direct result caused by the peril of **earthquake**.

Amount of Protection: The amount of protection for earthquake coverage for your dwelling, detached private structures and personal property is stated on your Cover Page. This does not add to the total amount of protection stated for each on your Cover Page.

Deductible: We will only pay that part of the loss or damage that exceeds the Earthquake Coverage deductible shown on your Cover Page. The deductible will apply separately to loss or damage to your dwelling, detached private structures and personal property.

Fire Department Charges

If your Cover Page shows that you have this coverage, we will pay up to the **amount of protection** shown to a fire department for its services. They must deal with a fire loss for which your dwelling, detached private structures, or personal property are covered or they must be needed to protect your property, or property of others adjacent to your premises, from such a loss.

This coverage will apply to all property and locations shown on **your** Cover Page.

We will not pay for loss or damage to property owned or used by a fire department.

This coverage is not subject to a deductible.

Home Systems Protection

If your Cover Page shows you have this coverage, we will pay up to the amount of protection shown for Home Systems Protection for loss, damage or expense arising from any one home system breakdown. Coverage applies only at the location shown on your Cover Page but coverage does not apply while your premises is under construction or vacant.

This coverage does not increase any limit of liability provided under Part 1 of this policy.

1. Definitions

With respect to the coverage provided by this optional coverage, the following definitions are added:

Actual Cash Value means the cost to replace or repair your property considering depreciation which includes such things as its age, condition, resale value, obsolescence, and normal life expectancy at the time of loss. The value of property usually falls as it ages. Thus, Actual Cash Value is normally lower than the cost to replace your property at today's prices.

Covered Home Equipment means property covered under dwellings, detached private structures or personal property:

- a) that generates, transmits or utilizes energy; or
- b) that, during normal usage, operates under vacuum or pressure, other than the weight of its contents.

None of the following is covered home equipment:

- a) supporting structure, cabinet or compartment;
- b) insulating material associated with covered home equipment;
- c) household water piping other than boiler feedwater piping, boiler condensate return piping or water piping connected to a heating or air conditioning system;
- d) wastewater piping or piping forming a part of a fire protective sprinkler or irrigation system;
- buried or encased piping or vessels, or buried or encased wiring, however, interior buried or encased piping or wiring connected to a heating or air conditioning system is covered home equipment;
- f) fuel storage tank or septic tank;
- g) software or electronic data; or
- vehicle, whether or not designed for travel on public roads. This includes, but is not limited to a car, truck, motor home, motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, moped, snowmbile, trailer, watercraft, aircraft, unmanned aerial vehicle, tractor or riding mower, except motorized: wheelchairs, scooters, toys or model aircraft.

Cyber Event means cyber activity including but not limited to:

- a) the introduction of malicious code including viruses, worms, Trojans, spyware and key loggers within covered home equipment; or
- b) unauthorized electronic access to covered home equipment or to electronic data or software within or used with covered home equipment.

Electronic Circuitry means microelectronic components, including but not limited to circuit boards, integrated circuits, computer chips and disk drives.

Electronic Circuitry Impairment means an accidental event involving electronic circuitry within covered home equipment that causes covered home equipment to suddenly lose its ability to function as it had been functioning immediately before such event. An electronic circuitry impairment must also meet each of the following conditions:

- a) We shall determine that the reasonable and appropriate remedy to restore such covered home equipment's ability to function is the replacement of one or more electronic circuitry components of the covered home equipment.
- b) The covered home equipment must be owned or used by you, or members of your family who reside with you.
- c) None of the following is an electronic circuitry impairment:
 - (i) Any condition that can reasonably be remedied by:
 - normal maintenance, including but not limited to replacing expendable parts, recharging batteries or cleaning;

- b) rebooting, reloading or updating software or firmware; or
- c) providing necessary power or supply.
- (ii) Any condition caused or relating to:
 - a) incompatibility of the covered home equipment with any software or equipment installed, introduced or networked within the prior thirty (30) days; or
 - b) insufficient size, capability or capacity of the **covered** home equipment.
- (iii) Exposure to adverse environmental conditions, including but not limited to change in temperature or humidity, unless such conditions result in an observable loss of functionality. Loss of warranty shall not be considered an observable loss of functionality.

Equipment Breakdown means a sudden and accidental:

- a) mechanical breakdown;
- b) electrical breakdown; or
- c) bursting, cracking or splitting

of **covered home equipment** that results in direct physical damage and requires repair or replacement of all or part of the damaged **covered home equipment**.

None of the following is an equipment breakdown:

- rust, corrosion (including pinhole leaks), erosion, deterioration or gradual loss of efficiency or functionality of covered home equipment;
- b) leakage or seepage at or from any connection, valve, fitting, shaft or seal;
- c) complete or partial interruption of electrical power, fuel or water supply, whether deliberate or accidental;
- any condition which can be corrected by resetting, recalibrating or by the performance of maintenance; or
- e) cosmetic or other damage that does not impair functionality.

Home System Breakdown means an equipment breakdown or electronic circuitry impairment.

None of the following is a home system breakdown:

 Any programming error, programming limitation, loss of data, loss of access, loss of use, loss of functionality or other condition within or involving data or media of any kind; or

b) A cyber event.

However, an ensuing equipment breakdown or electronic circuitry impairment will be considered a home system breakdown.

One Home System Breakdown means if an initial home system breakdown causes other home system breakdowns, all will be considered one home systems breakdown. All home system breakdowns that are the result of the same event will be considered one home system breakdown.

2. Property Coverages

The following coverages are added, subject to the applicable Home Systems Protection Limit of Liability, unless otherwise specified below:

a) Damage to Covered Home Equipment

We will pay for physical loss or damage to covered home equipment that is the direct result of a home system breakdown that occurs on or off the premises. We will consider electronic circuitry impairment to be physical damage to covered home equipment.

b) Spoilage

With respect to **your** food while contained in a refrigerator or freezer on the **premises we** will pay:

- for physical damage due to spoilage that is the result of a home system breakdown; and
- (ii) any necessary and reasonable expenses you incur to save and preserve the food from spoilage and reduce the amount of loss under this coverage to the extent that they do not exceed the amount of loss that otherwise would have been payable under this coverage.

Our payment will be determined based on the replacement cost of the food in a refrigerator or freezer at the time of the home system breakdown. We will pay up to \$500 or the limit shown in your Policy for the Temperature Change coverage, whichever is greater. However, in no event we will pay more than \$5,000 under this Spoilage coverage for any one home system breakdown, regardless of the number of appliances which stop working at the same time.

We do not cover any other refrigerated property, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages, medicine and beauty products.

c) Increased Living Expenses and Lost Rental Income Coverage for Increased Living Expenses and Lost Rental Income is extended to this Home Systems Protection coverage.

d) Expediting Expenses

With respect to **your covered home equipment** that is damaged as the result of a **home system breakdown, we** will pay the reasonable extra cost to:

- (i) make temporary repairs; or
- (ii) expedite permanent repairs or permanent replacement.

3. Exclusions

Any exclusions in **your** Policy for mechanical breakdown and electrical breakdown do not apply to this Home Systems Protection coverage. The following exclusions are added:

Earth Movement

We do not cover loss, damage or expense caused directly or indirectly by any earth movement including, but not limited to:

- earthquake, including land shock waves or tremors before, during or after a volcanic eruption;
- b) landslide, mudslide or mudflow;
- c) subsidence or sinkhole collapse;
- d) tsunami or volcanic eruption; or
- e) any other naturally occurring earth movement including earth sinking, rising or shifting.

Electrical Disturbance

We do not cover loss, damage or expense caused directly or indirectly by electrical power surge or brown out, whether or not caused by lightning. However, with respect to **your** personal property we will pay for loss, damage or expense to tubes, transistors, electronic components or circuitry that are a part of appliances, fixtures, computers, home entertainment units or other types of electronic apparatus, caused by or resulting from artificially generated electrical current.

Installation or Repair

We do not cover loss or damage to covered home equipment while it is being installed, dismantled or repaired. However, this exclusion shall not apply if a covered home system breakdown necessitated such installation, dismantling or repair.

Property Perils

We do not cover loss, damage or expense caused directly or indirectly by any of the following perils, whether the excluded peril occurs on or off the **premises**:

 a) fire (including fire resulting from a home system breakdown), or smoke;

- b) water or other means used to extinguish a fire;
- c) explosion;
- d) lightning;
- e) windstorm or hail;
- f) impact by aircraft, spacecraft or land vehicle;
- g) breakage of glass;
- h) falling objects;
- i) weight of snow, ice or sleet;
- j) freezing caused by cold weather or resulting from a home system breakdown;
- k) collapse;
- I) riot or civil commotion;
- m) vandalism or malicious act that causes damage or destruction, however, this exclusion does not apply to a **cyber event**.
- n) theft, including damage by attempted theft; or
- flood, surface water, waves, tides, tidal waves, overflow of any body of water or their spray, all whether driven by wind or not.

Water Damage

We do not cover loss, damage or expense caused directly or indirectly by water, including but not limited to:

- a) water that backs up or overflows from a sewer, drain or sump; or
- any other water damage including water damage resulting from a home system breakdown.

Property Not Covered

We will not pay for any property that is not **covered home** equipment except for spoiled food to the extent it is covered under Spoilage in Property Coverages.

Property Covered Elsewhere

We will not pay for loss covered under the Property section of your Policy or under any extension of coverage.

4. Conditions

The following conditions are added:

Limit of Liability

The Limit of Liability under this Home Systems Protection coverage for loss, damage or expense during the policy period, arising from any **one home system breakdown** to **covered home equipment**, is \$50,000.

Individual coverages are subject to limits. The most **we** will pay under any such coverage for loss, damage or expense arising from any **one home system breakdown** is the amount indicated as the limit for that coverage in the Property Coverages. These limits are a part of, and not in addition to, the Home Systems Protection Limit of Liability.

Deductible

We will pay only that part of the total payable loss, arising from any one home system breakdown, that exceeds the Home Systems Protection Deductible shown on your Cover Page, subject to the applicable Limit of Liability in this Home Systems Protection coverage.

Environmental, Safety and Efficiency Improvements

If covered home equipment requires replacement due to a home system breakdown, we will pay your additional cost to replace with equipment that is better for the environment, safer for people, or more energy or water efficient than the equipment being replaced.

However, **we** will not pay to increase the size or capacity of the equipment and **we** will not pay more than one hundred fifty (150) percent of what the cost would have been to replace with similar

kind and quality. This condition does not apply to the replacement of component parts or to any property to which **Actual Cash Value** applies and does not increase the Limit of Liability that applies to this Home Systems Protection coverage.

Loss Settlement

Losses under this Home Systems Protection coverage will be settled as follows:

- Our payment for damaged covered home equipment that is less than fifteen (15) years old from the date of manufacture, will be the lesser of:
 - (i) the applicable Limit of Liability;
 - (ii) the cost to repair the damaged covered home equipment;
 - (iii) the cost to replace the damaged covered home equipment with similar kind, quality and capacity on the same premises; or
 - (iv) the necessary amount actually spent to repair or replace the damaged covered home equipment.
- b) Our payment for damaged covered home equipment that is fifteen (15) years old or older from the date of manufacture, will be the lesser of:
 - (i) the applicable Limit of Liability;
 - (ii) the cost to repair the damaged covered home equipment; or
 - (iii) the Actual Cash Value of the damaged covered home equipment.
- c) Except as described in Environmental, Safety and Efficiency Improvements above, you are responsible for the extra cost of replacing damaged covered home equipment with property of a better kind or quality or of a different size or capacity.
- If you do not repair or replace the damaged covered home equipment within twenty four (24) months after the date of the home system breakdown, then we will pay only the lesser of:
 - the cost it would have taken to repair or replace at the time of the home system breakdown;
 - (ii) the Actual Cash Value at the time of the home system breakdown; or
 - (iii) the applicable Home Systems Protection Limit of Liability.

Optional Landlord's Coverage

Your Cover Page shows if you have this coverage, we will pay up to \$1,500 for damage to the insured dwelling caused by theft or attempted theft. You must pay the deductible shown on your Cover Page.

Renter's Glass Coverage

If your Cover Page shows that you have this coverage, we will pay for accidental breakage of glass or safety glazing material which is part of your rented dwelling including storm windows or doors. We only cover the loss if you are held responsible by your lease or rental agreement or it is part of your improvements or betterments. You must pay the deductible shown on your Cover Page.

Service Line Coverage

If your Cover Page shows you have this coverage, we will pay up to the amount of protection shown for Service Line Coverage for loss, damage or expense arising from any one service line failure. Coverage applies only at the location shown on your Cover Page but coverage does not apply while your premises is under construction or vacant.

This coverage does not increase any limit of liability provided under Part 1 of this policy.

1. Definitions

With respect to the coverage provided by this optional coverage, the following definitions are added:

Covered Service Line means exterior underground piping and wiring, including permanent connections, valves or attached devices providing one of the following services to **your premises**:

- communications, including cable transmission, data transmission, internet access and telecommunications;
- b) compressed air;
- c) drainage;
- d) electrical power;
- e) heating, including geothermal, natural gas, propane and steam;
- f) waste disposal; or
- g) water.

A covered service line must be owned by you or you must be responsible for its repair or replacement as required by law, regulation or service agreement. Should repair or replacement be your responsibility, a covered service line ends at the precise location where your responsibility for such repair or replacement ends. However, in no event will a covered service line extend beyond the point of connection to the main service or utility line.

Covered service line does not include:

- a) piping or wiring that is not connected and ready for use;
- b) that part of piping or wiring that runs through or under a body of water, including but not limited to a swimming pool, pond or lake;
- c) that part of piping or wiring that runs under the dwelling or other structure. However, this clause c) shall not apply to piping or wiring that runs under:
 - (i) a driveway or walkway;
 - (ii) a structure, such as a deck raised sufficiently from the ground that such piping or wiring can be accessed without damaging or dismantling any structure; or
- d) sprinkler system pipes.

Earth Movement means:

- earthquake, including land shock waves or tremors before, during or after a volcanic eruption;
- b) landslide, mudslide or mudflow;
- c) subsidence or sinkhole collapse;
- d) tsunami or volcanic eruption; or
- e) any other naturally occurring earth movement including earth sinking, rising or shifting.

One service line failure means if an initial service line failure causes other service line failures, all will be considered one service line failure. All service line failures that are the result of the same event will be considered one service line failure.

Service Line Failure means a leak, break, tear, rupture, collapse or electrical arcing of a covered service line not otherwise excluded by this coverage. A service line failure may be caused by, but is not limited to, the following perils:

- a) wear and tear, marring, deterioration or hidden decay;
- b) rust or other corrosion;
- c) mechanical breakdown, latent defect or inherent vice;
- d) weight of vehicles, equipment, animals or people;
- e) vermin, insects, rodents or other animals;
- f) artificially generated electrical current;
- g) freezing or frost heave;
- external force from a shovel, backhoe or other form of excavation; or
- i) tree or other root invasion.

Service line failure does not include blockage, sag or low pressure of a covered service line when there is no physical damage to the covered service line.

2. Property Coverages

The following coverages are added, subject to the applicable Service Line Limit of Liability, unless otherwise specified below:

a) Damage to covered service line

We will pay for physical loss or damage to your covered service line that is the direct result of a service line failure.

b) Excavation costs

With respect to **your covered service line** that is damaged as the result of a **service line failure**, we will pay the necessary and reasonable excavation costs that are required to repair or replace the damaged **covered service line**.

c) Expediting expenses

With respect to **your covered service line** that is damaged as the result of a **service line failure**, **we** will pay the reasonable extra cost to:

- (i) make temporary repairs; and
- (ii) expedite permanent repairs or permanent replacement.
- Increased living expenses and lost rental income Coverage for Increased Living Expenses and Lost Rental Income is extended to Service Line Coverage.

e) Outdoor property

We will pay for your outdoor property, including but not limited to trees, shrubs, plants, lawns, walkways and driveways, that is damaged as a result of a service line failure or that is damaged during the excavation of your covered service line following a service line failure.

3. Exclusions

In addition to all other exclusions indicated in **your** Policy, the following exclusions are added to this Service Line Coverage:

Earth Movement

We will not pay for loss, damage or expense caused directly or indirectly by **earth movement**, except for **earth movement** that results from the ground thawing after a freeze.

Increased Usage of Services

We will not pay additional costs incurred for loss or increased usage of water, natural gas, propane or any other service caused by or resulting from a service line failure.

Installation or Repair

We will not pay for loss or damage to a **covered service line** that is damaged while it is being installed, dismantled or repaired. However, this exclusion shall not apply if a covered **service line failure** necessitated such installation, dismantling or repair.

Pollutant Clean Up

We will not pay to clean up or remove pollutants, hazardous waste or sewage.

Property Perils

We will not pay for loss, damage or expense caused directly or indirectly by any of the following perils:

- a) fire, including fire resulting from a service line failure, or smoke;
- b) water or other means used to extinguish a fire;
- c) explosion;
- d) lightning;
- e) windstorm or hail;
- f) impact by aircraft;
- g) breakage of glass;
- h) riot or civil commotion;

- i) theft, including damage by attempted theft; or
- j) flood, surface water, waves, tides, tidal waves, overflow of any body of water or their spray, all whether driven by wind or not or water that backs up or overflows from a sewer, drain or sump.

Property not covered

We will not pay for loss or damage to:

- a) septic systems, including leach fields, septic tanks, pumps, motors or piping that runs from the septic tank to the leach fields, other than loss or damage to covered waste disposal piping running from your dwelling or other structure to a septic tank;
- b) water wells, including well pumps or motors;
- above ground heating and cooling systems, including heat pumps; or
- d) sprinkler system pumps, motors or heads.

Property covered elsewhere

We will not pay for loss covered under the Property section of your Policy or under any extension endorsement attached thereto.

4. Conditions

In addition to all other conditions indicated in **your** Policy, the following conditions are added to this Service Line Coverage:

Limit of Liability

The most **we** will pay under this Service Line Coverage for loss, damage or expense during the policy period, arising from any **one service line failure** to any **covered service line** is \$10,000.

Deductible

We will pay only that part of the total payable loss, arising from any one service line failure, that exceeds the Service Line deductible shown on your Cover Page, subject to the applicable Limit of Liability in this Service Line Coverage.

Environmental, Safety and Efficiency Improvements

If a **covered service line** requires replacement due to a **service line failure**, we will pay **your** additional cost to replace with materials that are better for the environment, safer for people, or more energy or water efficient than the materials being replaced.

However, we will not pay to increase the size or capacity of the materials and we will not pay more than one hundred and fifty (150) percent of what the cost would have been to replace with similar kind and quality. This condition does not increase the Limit of Liability that applies to this Service Line Coverage.

Loss Settlement

Losses under this Service Line Coverage will be settled as follows:

Our payment for damaged covered service line will be the lessor of:

- a) the applicable Limit of Liability;
- b) the cost to repair the damaged covered service line;
- c) the cost to replace the damaged covered service line with similar kind, quality and capacity on the same premises; or
- the necessary amount actually spent to repair or replace the damaged covered service line.

Except as described in Environmental, Safety and Efficiency Improvements above, **you** are responsible for the extra cost of replacing damaged **covered service line** with materials of a better kind, quality or of a different size or capacity.

You are responsible for the extra cost to alter or relocate **covered service line**, unless such alteration or relocation is required by law or ordinance.

You are responsible for any extra cost incurred to remove, replace or repair any structure when such cost is incurred to access the covered service line.

Sewer Back Up Coverage

If this coverage is shown on **your** Cover Page, **we** will pay up to the policy limit for loss or damage caused by **sewer back up**. If a sub-limit for this coverage is displayed on **your** Cover Page, the most **we** will pay for this coverage is the **amount of protection** that is shown. This does not add to the total **amount of protection** stated on **your** Cover Page for **your dwelling**, detached private structures or personal property.

We will not cover loss or damage caused by:

- a) back up, discharge or escape or overflow of water or sewage from public sewers or drains outside your dwelling.
- b) seepage, or continuous or repeated leakage.

We do not cover sewer back up to your dwelling or personal property while your dwelling is vacant, even if we have given permission for vacancy.

Settling A Claim

Your Cover Page will show the **amounts of protection** on property insured in Part 1. These amounts, along with the features **we** have said add to **your amount of protection**, are the most **we** will pay for **your** loss.

We will pay for insured loss or damage up to the amount of your financial interest in the insured property, but not exceeding the applicable amount(s) of protection for any loss or damage arising out of one occurrence.

Any payments for loss or damage shall not reduce the amounts of insurance provided by this policy.

We will not pay for any increased costs due to unnecessary delays on your part.

Our payment will also depend on your share of the loss and other rules used to settle claims. These are explained below.

Deductible

A deductible is used for losses covered in Part 1.

A deductible means that **you** will have to bear the first part of **your** loss yourself. **We** will subtract this amount from the total of **your** loss, and then **we** will pay for the rest of **your** loss. **We** will pay up to **your** total **amount of protection**. **We** will not pay if **your** loss is less than the deductible. The deductible is shown on **your** Cover Page.

Single Highest Deductible

You may have different deductibles, depending on the type of property and the type of loss that we cover. When two or more items are lost or damaged in one loss, or several **insured perils** occur at the same time to contribute to the loss, we will use only one deductible. We will use the largest single deductible of all that apply.

After a loss, **we** will use a separate deductible for each location shown on the Cover Page. **We** will do this even if property at more than one location was lost at the same time as a result of the same cause.

Replacement Cost and Actual Cash Value

- as defined in the Definitions section

We will use one of these methods to find the amount of your loss.

Dwelling and Detached Private Structures

We will pay for the Actual Cash Value of the loss or damage to your dwelling or detached private structures or we will pay up to the total amount of protection, whichever is the lower amount.

We will only pay the Replacement Cost amount to your dwelling or detached private structures if shown on your Cover Page.

Settlement will be on an **Actual Cash Value** basis if any of the following happens:

- you do not repair or rebuild your dwelling or detached private structures on a permanent foundation on the same site.
- you do not repair or rebuild your dwelling or detached private structures within a reasonable time after the loss.
- at the time of the loss or damage your dwelling was unoccupied or vacant.
- if a public authority does not allow you to repair or rebuild.
- when Replacement Cost Coverage (including Roofs) is shown on your cover page and the cause of loss is windstorm or hail and the age of the roof and roof coverings exceed 20 years.

We will not pay for increased costs due to any law or bylaw dealing with building or repair. We will not pay for any increased costs due to unnecessary delays on your part.

We will pay no more than the **amount of protection** shown on **your** Cover Page.

How You May Share in a Loss

The **amount of protection** shown on **your** Cover Page must be equal to **at least** 80% of the total **value** of the property insured. If it is not, **our** payment could be less than **your** actual loss. **You** would be responsible for the rest.

This is how we find out how much we will pay:

Total Amount of Protection x Actual Loss = Our Payment

80% of the value

Suppose, **you** have \$60,000 of protection on **your dwelling**. Its **value** is really \$100,000. A fire does \$40,000 damage. **We** will pay

\$60,000 x \$40,000 = \$30,000

80% of \$100,000

Since **you** were not protected to the proper amount (\$80,000) **you** must pay the remaining \$10,000.

When we say value, we mean the Actual Cash Value unless Replacement Cost coverage is shown on your Cover Page, in which case we mean Replacement Cost value.

Personal Property

We will pay the Actual Cash Value of the loss or damage to your personal property or we will pay up to the total amount of protection of your personal property coverage, whichever is the lower amount. If Replacement Cost is shown on your Cover Page, we will pay the cost of repair or the cost of new personal property (whichever is less) of similar kind, quality, and usefulness up to your total amount of protection for personal property. If you replace your personal property with that of lesser quality, we will only pay the amount you paid for the replacement. You must give us written proof of replacement or repair in order to get Replacement Cost coverage. You may choose payment on an Actual Cash Value basis initially. You may make a subsequent claim on a Replacement Cost basis but not later than 180 days after payment of an Actual Cash Value settlement to you. We will not pay for increased costs due to unnecessary delays on your part. We will keep any salvage or proceeds from salvage.

For certain types of property we will only pay the amount shown in **Property with Special Limits of Insurance**.

Property Subject to Actual Cash Value Settlements

We will only pay the Actual Cash Value for loss or damage to these eight types of property:

- personal property that is not in good, useable condition at the time of loss.
- personal property not in current use by you at the time of loss and that you stored away and for which you had no specific future use.

- personal property of an age or condition that makes it out of date or no longer useable for its original purpose.
- art works, antiques, rare objects, and other items that cannot be replaced.
- 5) personal property that has not been repaired or replaced after a loss.
- spare automobile, all terrain vehicle and dirt bike parts and accessories.
- watercraft, their equipment, accessories, outboard motors and jet propulsion personal watercraft, including boat trailers that are more than 10 years of age from the date they were originally purchased as new.
- buildings and structures where the wall or roof construction consists of tensioned fabric, poly, canvas or similar covering.

Pairs and Sets (Applies to Personal Property and Scheduled Personal Articles)

Pair: If there is a loss to half of a pair, **we** will pay for the complete pair. The undamaged piece becomes **our** property.

Set: For items that are part of a set of two or more pieces, we will only pay for those parts that had the loss. For example, if your chair is destroyed, we would pay for that damage. We would not pay for the matching sofa, unless it was damaged as well.

Obsolescence – Dwelling, Detached Private Structures, and Personal Property

We will not pay for increased costs that result when you cannot repair or replace your property because materials or parts are unavailable, obsolete, or outmoded. We will only pay the cost that would have been incurred if materials or parts were available. We will pay the last known cost of materials or parts.

Property with Special Limits of Insurance

For certain types of property, the amount **we** will pay is explained below. If that item is scheduled as a Special Belonging or specifically insured elsewhere, the basic limitation within the policy no longer applies to that item. The deductible on **your** Cover Pages applies.

- (1) Unless otherwise specified, for losses due to any insured peril we will pay up to these amounts:
 - a) \$2,500 in all for books, tools, instruments and computer hardware pertaining to a **business**, profession, trade, or occupation. They are covered only at **your premises**. We do not cover other **business** or farm property, such as samples, supplies or goods held for sale.
 - b) \$2,500 in all for securities.
 - \$1,000 for money and \$1,000 for bullion. Money also includes gift cards, cash cards and gift certificates.
 - d) \$3,000 in all for watercraft, equipment, accessories, outboard motors, and jet propulsion personal watercraft, including boat trailers. Coverage for fire or lightning applies anywhere in Canada or the continental U.S.A. Other perils you are insured for apply only at your premises. We do not cover loss or damage caused by freezing.
 - \$2,500 in all for household animals, birds or fish after their death or necessary destruction that occurred within 30 days of injury caused by fire, lightning, explosion or smoke.
 - \$5,000 for each lawnmower, garden tractor or snowblower and their attachments and accessories.
 - g) \$5,000 in all for collectibles, such as sports cards, sports memorabilia and comic books.
 - h) \$2,500 in all for cemetery property anywhere in Canada.

- \$2,000 in all for spare automobile, all terrain vehicle and dirt bike parts and accessories.
- \$1,000 in all for cannabis in all consumable forms and cannabis plants, whether for recreational or medicinal use.
- (2) For losses due to Comprehensive Perils (limits not applicable to the Listed Perils previously defined) we will pay up to these amounts:
 - a) \$2,500 in all for jewelry, watches and gems.
 - b) \$2,500 in all for furs, fur garments, and garments trimmed with fur.
 - c) \$1,500 in all for manuscripts, stamps and philatelic property (such as stamp collections).
 - d) \$2,000 in all for numismatic property (such as coin collections).
 - \$3,000 for each bicycle, tricycle, unicycle or electric assisted bicycle (up to 500 watts and not exceeding 32 km/hr), including accessories and attached equipment.

Property And Causes Of Loss We Do Not Cover

We do not cover the following:

- a) loss or damage not due to a sudden, unexpected event.
- b) loss or damage caused by settling, expansion, contraction, moving, shifting, bulging, buckling, or cracking unless fire or explosion follows, then we will pay for the resulting damage. We will cover damage to building glass for Cover Code B or Cover Code C.
- c) loss or damage caused by snowslide, earthquake, landslide, or any earth movement. However, if any of those results in fire or explosion, we will pay for the resulting loss or damage.
- d) the cost of making good any faulty design, material, or workmanship.
- buildings, detached private structures, structures, personal property and any other property when designed, used, or intended for use, in whole or in part for:
 - (i) business or farming purposes; or
 - storage, housing, or upkeep of agricultural products or supplies, livestock, poultry or animals other than household pets;
 - except as provided under **Property with Special Limits of Insurance**.

Incidental office use is permitted.

- f) livestock, poultry or animals other than household pets.
- g) (i) loss or damage caused directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by any fungi or spore(s).
 - (ii) the cost or expense for any testing, monitoring, evaluating or assessing of **fungi** or **spore(s)**.
- h) motorized vehicles, trailers and aircraft. This includes such things as cars, trucks, skidsteers, motorcycles, motorized snow vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, dirt bikes, go-carts, dune buggies, hang gliders, ultralights or other similar aircraft of any name. Nor do we cover any parts, furnishings or equipment of those things. For example, media transmission (such as portable video screens), stereo equipment, tires or antennae. However, we will cover motorized wheel chairs, lawnmowers, snowblowers, garden equipment, golf carts and electric assisted bicycles (up to 500 watts and not exceeding 32 km/h). Coverage for skidsteers and tractors (31 HP or greater) applies only at your premises for personal use only (if shown on your Cover Page).

A boat trailer kept at **your premises** and spare automobile parts and accessories are special cases. These are shown in **Property with Special Limits of Insurance**.

- i) property illegally acquired, used, kept, or imported.
- losses or increased costs of repair due to any bylaw, ordinance, law, act or regulation regulating the zoning, demolition, repair, or construction of buildings and their related services.

- loss or damage to property on exhibit or display, or any time your property is being held for sale by others.
- loss or damage resulting from criminal or wilful acts done by you or by any person whose property is insured under this policy, including such acts done for you by someone else.
- m) loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by any illegal or unauthorized activity related to and including the growing, harvesting, manufacturing, processing, storing, sale or distribution of any drug or narcotic or the possession of any substances or items of any kind which constitutes a criminal offence to any dwellings, detached private structures or personal property contained therein, whether or not you have any knowledge of or are able or unable to control such illegal activity. This includes any alteration of the premises to facilitate such illegal activity.
- personal property undergoing any process, including cleaning or being worked on, where the damage results from such process. Resulting damage to other property caused by an **insured peril** is covered.
- property lawfully seized or confiscated. But we will cover such property if it is destroyed to prevent the spread of fire.
- p) loss or damage caused by acts you deliberately did or acts you failed to do.
- q) loss or damage to dwellings or detached private structures while being moved, or while being raised off or lowered onto its foundation, or to personal property contained therein.
- r) loss resulting from a change in ownership of property that is agreed to, even if that change was brought about by trickery or fraud.
- s) loss or damage resulting from contamination or pollution, or the release, discharge or dispersal of contaminants or pollutants, unless the loss or damage to insured property is caused by the sudden and accidental bursting or overflowing of your domestic fixed fuel oil tank apparatus or pipes.
- t) (i) loss or damage to data, or
 - (ii) loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by a data problem. However, if loss or damage caused by a data problem results in the occurrence of further loss of or damage to property insured that is directly caused by fire, explosion or implosion, smoke or water escape and rupture, all as defined under Perils Insured, this exclusion shall not apply to such resulting loss or damage.
- loss or damage to any removed heating systems on the premises, including the structure or enclosure housing the unit(s), and all contents of the same structure if caused by or resulting from the use of the heating unit.
- dwellings or detached private structures that have been placarded or condemned by any authority or personal property contained therein.
- books of account, evidence of debt or title, and documents or other evidence to establish ownership or the right or claim to a benefit or thing.
- wind turbine systems including all related equipment and structures manufactured for a rated power generation exceeding 5kW.
- y) loss or damage caused directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by terrorism or by any activity or decision of a government agency or other entity to prevent, respond to or terminate terrorism regardless of any other cause or event that contributes concurrently or in any sequence to the loss or damage, but you are still insured for ensuing loss or damage which results directly from fire or explosion.
- loss or damage caused by a nuclear incident as defined in the Nuclear Liability Act. Nor do we cover nuclear explosion or contamination by radioactive material.
- aa) loss or damage caused by war, invasion, act of a foreign enemy, declared or undeclared hostilities, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, or military power.

- bb) loss or damage caused by cracking of ceiling or walls.
- cc) loss or damage caused by dirt blown onto the premises.

General Conditions For Part 1

The following general conditions apply to Part 1 of this policy:

- We will not cover people who were holding, storing, or transporting your property for a fee at the time of loss.
- 2) After we pay for your claim, we may find that someone else is legally responsible for your loss. We have the right to recover our payment from that person. If we ask, you must co-operate with us in any legal action we take at our expense and through our lawyers. You may release another person from their legal responsibility to you for loss or damage to your property, but you must tell us if you do. The agreement must be in writing, and you must make the agreement before any loss or damage takes place.

You must not release another person from their legal responsibility for loss or damage after a loss has occurred. You will need our consent in writing to do so.

- Any payment for a loss will not lower the total amount of protection for the rest of the policy term.
- 4) The Statutory Conditions apply to Part 1 of this policy.
- 5) When you have other insurance on property covered by Part 1 of this policy, we will only pay our share of the loss. We will do this even if your other insurance covers different perils than this policy. Our share will be in the same proportion that the amount of our protection bears to the total amount of all your fire protection.
- You must tell us when your dwelling becomes vacant as defined by this policy.

If you do not tell us within 30 days of your dwelling becoming vacant or unoccupied, we will not cover any loss or damage that happens after 30 consecutive days of vacancy or unoccupancy.

Vacant dwellings are covered only if Cover Code AE is shown on your Cover Page.

Any permission for vacancy that **we** allow in this condition does not change or invalidate any coverage restriction due to vacancy, stated in other parts of this policy.

- If your loss is due to a crime, you must report the loss to the police or other policing authorities at once. This includes such crimes as theft, burglary, and vandalism or malicious acts.
- 8) You must take all reasonable steps to protect your property.
- 9) If Cover Code C applies to a loss and it is more restrictive than Cover Code A or Cover Code B shown in this booklet, we will adjust your claim using the Cover Code most beneficial to you.
- 10) If we adopt any revision that would broaden coverage under your policy during the policy term, and we do not charge additional premium, the broadened coverage will immediately apply to your policy.
- 11) The Insured agrees:
 - a) that repair or replacement must be executed with due diligence and dispatch and as soon as practicable and in any event completed before the first year anniversary of the date when damage to the insured property occurred.
 - b) any loss or damage directly or indirectly, proximately or remotely, resulting from or contributed to by any delay to repair or delay to replace is not covered by this policy. This includes but is not limited to the increased cost of repair or reconstruction by reason of any ordinance or law regulating construction or repair.

Deferred Loss Settlement Clause

Your Cover Page will show if this clause applies to **your** policy and which **dwelling(s)** it applies to.

- The amount we will pay if your dwelling is damaged or destroyed by fire or lightning will be limited to 50% of the amount this policy would normally have paid had this clause not been in force.
- You have nine months from the date of loss to show us that you spent at least 100% of the amount this policy would normally have paid had this clause not been in force to repair or rebuild the dwelling on its original site. If you do this, we will pay the balance owing on the loss plus interest.
 - a) The balance owing is the amount this policy would normally have paid less the amount paid from 1 above.
 - b) The interest is 3% per year and is calculated on the amount determined in (a). We will only pay the interest calculated from 60 days after all Proofs of Loss have been completed until the final payment is made.
- 3. If **you** decide not to repair or rebuild the **dwelling** on its original site, **we** will only pay the amount set out in 1 above.

If **you** send **us** a written request, **we** will refund any over-payment of premiums based on the original **amount of protection** less the cost for an **amount of protection** equal to the payment received.

 If you have any other coverage on this dwelling, we will only pay our share of any loss. This is based on the amount determined above compared to the total of all coverages.

Part 2 – Personal Liability

Definitions Applicable to Part 2

In addition to the other terms defined elsewhere in the Policy, as used herein and in any further amendment, the following terms and expressions have the following meanings:

Bodily Injury means injury, sickness or disease sustained by a person, including death resulting from any of these at any time.

Business in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

Data in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

Jet Propulsion Personal Watercraft in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

Occurrence means an accident to which this coverage applies occurring within the policy period, including continuous or repeated exposure to conditions which results in **bodily injury** or **property damage** neither expected nor intended.

Premises in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1. It also includes the following:

- a place you live in for a short time, but that you do not own. For example, a hotel or motel room.
- your own or your family's burial site in Canada.
- a non-business location in Canada which you become owner of or take possession of during the policy term. You will be covered for up to 30 days after you take ownership or possession.

Property Damage means physical damage to, or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of use of this property.

Residence Employee in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

Terrorism in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

We, us, or our in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

You and your in this Part has the same meaning as in Part 1.

- In Part 2, you and your also means these additional people:
- your residence employees.
- workers during construction of your dwelling. The workers can be paid or unpaid. But we will not cover any independent contractor or employees of the contractor.
- any person or organization legally liable for damages caused by watercraft (excluding jet propulsion personal watercraft) or animals owned by you, and to which this insurance applies. This does not include anyone using or having custody of the watercraft (excluding jet propulsion personal watercraft) or animals, in the course of any business or without your permission.
- any person who is insured by this policy at the time of your death and who continues residing on the premises. We will cover them until the end of the policy term or cancellation of the policy, whichever comes first.
- your executors or administrators while they are tending to your premises. We will cover them until the end of the policy term or cancellation of the policy, whichever comes first.

Personal Liability – Coverage E

You must take reasonable care that you do not, or your property does not harm someone else or their property. If you do not, you may be negligent. People who are hurt or whose property is unintentionally damaged because of your negligence may have a legal right to be paid for their damages. A liability claim or action brought against you can come from a single event or it can come from a continuous or repeated condition. We will treat this as if all damage was from a single occurrence.

We will only pay compensatory damages for **bodily injury** or **property damage**. We will pay for claims arising out of **your** personal actions anywhere in the world, including claims due to **your** actions while engaged in volunteer work for a charitable or non-profit organization. We will pay for claims due to the condition or use of **your premises**. We will only pay claims where **you** are legally liable; however, there may be situations where we will pay and **you** are not legally liable. These are explained under Added Features of **your Part 2 – Personal Liability Coverage: Voluntary Medical Payments** or **Voluntary Property Damage Payments**.

We will not pay for **bodily injury** or **property damage** caused by or arising out of:

- the ownership of a rented dwelling, vacant dwelling, or a seasonal dwelling and its related property within the same resort area; or
- b) the renting of a room or suite to others; or
- c) the use of and ownership of a jet propulsion personal watercraft; or
- d) business use of the premises;

unless an additional premium has been paid and coverage extension is shown on **your** Cover Page.

Amount of Protection

We will pay up to the amount of protection shown on your Cover Page. The amount shown is the maximum amount we will pay for all compensatory damages in response of any one occurrence, regardless of the number of **Insureds** against whom a claim is made or action is brought. As explained later under **Defense Settlement – Supplementary Payments**, we pay for certain related costs too, which are in addition to the amount of protection.

Bodily Injury and Property Damage

We will pay for **bodily injury** or **property damage** to someone else if **you** are legally liable. This includes:

- claims due to an agreement you sign that accepts the liability of another as it relates to premises owned by you.
- b) claims if your residence employee is hurt while on the job. You will also be covered if the employee is hurt using a motorized vehicle, watercraft or jet propulsion personal watercraft for you. We will not cover bodily injury arising out of the use or ownership of any aircraft or air cushion vehicles.
- claims if other people are hurt while they are working for you during construction on your premises, whether they are paid or unpaid.
- claims made against you by others for loss caused by an independent contractor or employees of the contractor, but only during construction at a location shown on your Cover Page.
- claims due to motorized wheelchairs, lawnmowers, snowblowers, garden equipment, or golf carts that you own or use. We will also cover you when someone else uses this equipment for you.
- f) claims due to watercraft you own. However, if they are powered by more than 25 horsepower, an additional premium must be paid and coverage extension must be shown on your Cover Page for coverage to apply.

- g) claims due to **your** use of watercraft or **jet propulsion personal** watercraft that are owned by someone else.
- h) claims due to your use of motorized vehicles that are owned by someone else. The vehicles must be recreational in nature and must be intended for off-road use and they must not have a licence, nor be required by law to have one. For example, a go-cart at an amusement park. We will not cover claims due to your use of these vehicles in a race, speed test, or business.

Tenants and Renters

We will pay compensatory damages to premises or to property contained within such premises that you rent or use but do not own. For example, a rented dwelling, suite, or a hotel or motel room.

We will only pay if Part 1 coverages are shown on **your** Cover Page. We will not pay if the only reason **you** are legally liable is that **you** have agreed to accept another's liability. We will only pay if **you** would be legally liable without that agreement.

We will only pay for property damage caused by the perils insured shown on your Cover Page and as described and limited in Part 1.

A **property damage** deductible of \$1,000 will apply to this coverage except for any loss or damage caused by the Perils 1) - 10 listed under **Perils Insured** defined under Part 1.

We may pay a part or all of this **property damage** deductible amount to affect settlement of a claim or action against **you**. **You** shall be responsible to promptly reimburse **us** the amount of **property damage** deductible paid on **your** behalf.

Added Features of Your Part 2 – Personal Liability Coverage

We give you two added features as part of your Personal Liability Coverage. The amounts we pay adds to your total amount of protection. These coverages are not subject to a deductible.

Voluntary Medical Payments – Coverage F

We will pay up to \$5,000 for reasonable medical and related expenses for each person injured in any one occurrence. The injury must be due to your actions, or the condition or use of your premises. We will pay even if you are not legally liable. Medical expenses include surgical, dental, hospital, nursing, ambulance services and funeral expenses. We will only pay for reasonable medical expense incurred within one year of the date of the occurrence.

We will not pay for expenses covered by any medical, surgical, dental, hospitalization or health plan that the injured person(s) may have, or be eligible for, nor for any costs covered under any other insurance or workers' compensation law.

We will pay for **bodily injury** to **your residence employees**, and to paid or unpaid workers who are injured during construction work on **your premises**. We will not pay for **bodily injury** to **you** or any other member of **your** household.

Voluntary Property Damage Payments - Coverage G

We will pay up to \$5,000 for direct damage to the property of someone else. The damage must be due to **your** actions or the condition or use of **your premises**. We will pay even if **you** are not legally liable. This feature can cover deliberate damage, but it must be caused by a person **we** cover who is 12 years of age or less.

We will not pay for:

- claims resulting from the loss of use, disappearance or theft of property.
- loss or damage to property of your tenant.
- loss or damage caused by your business activities.

Optional Extensions

Jet Propulsion Personal Watercraft Liability Coverage

Your Personal Liability will extend to cover **bodily injury** or **property damage** arising out of the ownership, maintenance, operation or use of a personal watercraft unit, if **your** Cover Page shows that this extension of coverage applies. It will also show which option applies to **you** and to which personal watercraft unit(s) it applies. We will automatically provide coverage for newly acquired units for a period of 30 days from the date of acquisition. The **amount of protection** shown on **your** Cover Page for this extension of coverage, is the maximum amount **we** will pay for claims arising from the newly acquired unit.

Passenger Hazard Option (Applies only if shown on your Cover Page)

You may be legally liable for **bodily injury** to a passenger of a personal watercraft unit. A passenger is anyone being carried upon, getting on to, or alighting from the unit.

We will not pay for claims when the seating capacity, as established by the manufacturer, has been exceeded.

Claims We Will Not Cover

We will not cover:

- 1) claims due to **bodily injury** to a passenger unless the **Passenger** Hazard Option is shown on your Cover Page.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** caused by an operator under 16 years of age.
- claims due to bodily injury or property damage caused by an operator under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** caused by an operator in any race or speed test.
- 5) claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** resulting from any illicit, prohibited trade or transportation.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** resulting from carrying passengers for a fee.
- claims due to bodily injury or property damage caused while the personal watercraft unit is rented or leased to others.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** resulting from the operation of personal watercraft units in any area where their use and operation is restricted or prohibited.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** when a personal watercraft unit is not operated in accordance with the *Canada Shipping Act* regulations governing age and horsepower restrictions and operator competency requirements.

Claims We Will Not Cover

This applies to all coverages in Part 2 - Personal Liability

We will not cover:

- a) claims caused by pollution of the land, water, or air. However, we will cover bodily injury or property damage caused by heat, smoke, or fumes from a hostile fire. Hostile fire means a fire that becomes uncontrollable or breaks out from where it was intended to be.
- b) claims caused by radioactive contamination or fallout.
- c) claims arising from war, invasion, act of a foreign enemy, hostilities, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military power.
- claims caused by **bodily injury** to, or damage to property of persons covered by this policy, except those persons called **additional people** under the definition of **You** and **Your** under Part 2 of this policy.
- e) claims arising out of any business, farming or professional

activities or operations, however, **we** will cover claims due to **your** actions while engaged in work for someone else in the following jobs: teacher, clerical worker, sales person, bill or money collector, messenger, or lifeguard.

- f) claims arising from the ownership or housing of livestock, poultry or animals other than household pets. We will however, cover claims arising from the ownership or housing of chickens for personal use, if permitted under local bylaw.
- claims caused by **bodily injury** to a co-worker while **you** are on the job.
- claims due to any obligation under a disability benefits plan, workers' compensation law, or employment insurance compensation law or any similar law.
- i) claims respecting property **you** own or owned, rent or rented or had in **your** care except as shown in **Tenants and Renters**.
- j) claims due to aircraft, air cushion vehicles, hang gliders, ultralights or other similar aircraft of any name, or aircraft landing areas that you own or use. We will not cover the use of them for you by others, or claims caused by their use when you have entrusted them to others. Model aircraft are not part of this exclusion; however, we will only cover them when kept or used for amusement purposes as part of your hobby.
- k) claims due to motorized vehicles or trailers that you own or use. This includes cars, vans, trucks, motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles, motorized snow vehicles, dune buggies and boat and travel trailers and the like and any vehicles required to be licensed. We will not cover the use of them for you by others or claims due to their use when you have entrusted them to others. However, as an exception to this, we will cover claims which arise out of the use of golf carts, dirt bikes, electric assisted bicycles (up to 500 watts and not exceeding 32 km/h) and motorized vehicles used by your residence employees while they are working for you. We will cover bodily injury or property damage claims arising out of your ownership, maintenance, use or operation of any utility, boat, camper or home trailer or its equipment, provided that such trailers are not required to be licensed and are not being towed by, attached to or carried on a motorized vehicle.
- claims caused by the use and ownership of a jet propulsion personal watercraft unless coverage extension is shown on your cover page.
- claims caused by the use and/or ownership of a skidsteer or tractor (31 HP or greater) away from your premises.
- n) claims caused by a watercraft:
 - used in a race or speed test.
 - used for carrying passengers for a fee.
 - used for business purposes.
 - used or operated by anyone under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs.
 - rented or leased by others.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** when watercraft are not operated in accordance with the *Canada Shipping Act* regulations governing age and horsepower restrictions and operator competency requirements.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** deliberately caused by **you** or for **you** by someone else.
- claims caused by any intentional, illegal or criminal act or failure to act by:
 - (i) any person insured by this policy; or
 - (ii) any other person at the direction of any person insured by this policy.
- r) claims due to **bodily injury** resulting from transmission of any communicable disease.

- s) claims caused by sexual, physical, psychological or emotional abuse, molestation or harassment, including corporal punishment by, at the direction of, or with the knowledge of any person insured by this policy, or claims arising from the intentional or negligent failure of any person insured by this policy to take steps to prevent sexual, physical, psychological or emotional abuse, molestation or harassment or corporal punishment.
- t) claims arising directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, out of terrorism or out of any activity or decision of a government agency or other entity to prevent, respond to or terminate terrorism. This exclusion applies regardless of any other contributing or aggravating cause or event that contributes concurrently or in any sequence to the claim.
- u) claims due to:
 - the erasure, destruction, corruption, misappropriation, misinterpretation of data, or erroneously creating, amending, entering, deleting or using data, including any loss of use arising from any of these actions or events; or
 - the distribution or display of data, by means of an internet website, the internet, an intranet, extranet, or similar device or system designed or intended for electronic communication of data.
- v) claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** arising directly or indirectly from any **fungi** or **spore(s)**. We will not cover the cost or expense for any testing, monitoring, evaluating or assessing of **fungi** or **spore(s)**.
- w) claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** caused directly or indirectly by an animal **you** own or for which **you** are responsible and which, prior to the **occurrence** which gives rise to the claim, has been declared under any law, bylaw or municipal ordinance to be a dangerous animal.
- claims due to **bodily injury** or **property damage** that arises out of electronic aggression, including but not limited to harassment or bullying committed:
 - by any means of an electronic forum, including but not limited to a blog, an electronic bulletin board, an electronic chat room, a gripe site, a social networking site, a website, or a weblog; or
 - by other electronic means, including but not limited to e-mail, instant messaging, or text messaging.

If You Have A Claim What You Must Do

1) You must promptly give us notice in writing when an occurrence takes place.

The notice must include:

- (i) the date, time, place and circumstances of the occurrence.
- (ii) names and addresses of witnesses and potential claimants.
- 2) You must not admit that you are legally liable. You may not know all of the facts. This means that you must not pay or offer to pay for bodily injury or property damage. It could be taken as an admission that you were legally liable.
- 3) You must follow all conditions of the policy that deal with your claim.
- 4) You must give us any letters or papers you receive from the people or the representatives of the people making the claim. You must do this as soon as you get them.
- 5) You must co-operate fully with us while we handle your claim.
- You must co-operate fully in the legal matters we are handling for you. You must not interfere in any legal action, negotiation or discussion.

If You Have A Claim What We Will Do

If a claim is made against **you** for which **you** are insured, **we** will defend **you** even if the claim is groundless, false or fraudulent. **We** reserve the right to select legal counsel, investigate, negotiate and settle any claim if **we** decide this is appropriate. **We** will only pay for the legal counsel **we** select. **We** will try to settle the claim out of court if **we** feel that is the best thing to do.

Defense Settlement – Supplementary Payments

We will:

- a) pay up to \$100 a day for your actual loss of wages or salary when we ask you to do something for us. For example, if we ask you to appear in court.
- b) pay for other reasonable expenses and court costs charged against you, including expenses which you have incurred for emergency medical or surgical treatment to others following an occurrence insured by this policy.
- c) buy any appeal bonds.
- d) buy any bonds needed to release property held by the court because of a lawsuit. However, the total face value of these bonds cannot be more than your applicable amount of protection.
- pay the interest that a court charges on the part of the final judgment that we are paying.

How We Settle A Claim

We will not pay until you have fully complied with all the terms of this coverage, nor until the amount of your obligation to pay has been finally determined, either by a judgment against you or by an agreement that has our consent.

If we feel that you have done nothing wrong, we may refuse to pay a claim. This does not mean that you will not be covered. It means we feel you are not legally liable. If after we deny a claim on your behalf a court finds that you are legally liable, you will be covered.

General Conditions for Part 2

- The **bodily injury** or **property damage** must take place during the policy term.
- There are only two ways to cancel your Personal Liability coverage before the end of your policy term:
 - you must tell us that you wish to cancel and when you wish your coverage to end; or
 - b) we must tell you in writing that we wish to cancel. We do this by registered mail or in person. If our notice comes to you by registered mail, your coverage will end 15 days after your post office gets the letter. When we give you the notice in person, your coverage will end five days later.

We will refund the premium for the time between the cancellation date and the end of the policy term.

- If you take legal action against us, you must do so within a year of the date on which you had cause to take such action.
- 4) If you have other liability insurance, we will only pay our share of the claim. Our share will be in the same proportion that the amount of our coverage bears to the total of all your Personal Liability coverages.

Part 3 – Statutory Conditions

In respect of Part 2 – Personal Liability, only Statutory Conditions 1, 3, 4, 5, and 15 apply. Otherwise all of the Statutory Conditions apply with respect to all perils insured by this policy. In the following **you**, the name shown on the Cover Page, are called the **Insured**. We are called the **Insurer**.

1. Misrepresentation

If a person applying for insurance falsely describes the property to the prejudice of the Insurer, or misrepresents or fraudulently omits to communicate any circumstance that is material to be made known to the Insurer in order to enable it to judge of the risk to be undertaken, the contract is void as to any property in relation to which the misrepresentation or omission is material.

2. Property of Others

Unless otherwise specifically stated in the contract, the Insurer is not liable for loss or damage to property owned by any person other than the **Insured**, unless the interest of the **Insured** therein is stated in the contract.

3. Change of Interest

The Insurer is liable for loss or damage occurring after an authorized assignment under the *Bankruptcy Act (Canada)* or change of title by succession, by operation of law, or by death.

4. Material Change

Any change material to the risk and within the control and knowledge of the **Insured** avoids the contract as to the part affected thereby, unless the change is promptly notified in writing to the Insurer or its local agent, and the Insurer when so notified may return the unearned portion, if any, of the premium paid and cancel the contract, or may notify the **Insured** in writing that, if the **Insured** desires the contract to continue in force, the **Insured** must, within fifteen days of the receipt of the notice, pay to the Insurer an additional premium, and in default of such payment the contract is no longer in force and the Insurer shall return the unearned portion, if any, of the premium paid.

5. Termination

- (1) This contract may be terminated,
 - (a) by the Insurer giving to the **Insured** fifteen days' notice of termination by registered mail or five days' written notice of termination personally delivered;
 - (b) by the Insured at any time on request.
- (2) Where this contract is terminated by the Insurer,
 - (a) the Insurer shall refund the excess of premium actually paid by the Insured over the proportionate premium for the expired time, but, in no event, shall the proportionate premium for the expired time be deemed to be less than any minimum retained premium specified; and
 - (b) the refund shall accompany the notice unless the premium is subject to adjustment or determination as to amount, in which case the refund shall be made as soon as practicable.
- (3) Where this contract is terminated by the **Insured**, the Insurer shall refund as soon as practicable the excess of premium actually paid by the **Insured** over the short rate premium for the expired time, but in no event shall the short rate premium for the expired time be deemed to be less than any minimum retained premium specified.
- (4) The refund may be made by money, postal or express company money order or cheque payable at par.
- (5) The fifteen days mentioned in clause (1) (a) of this condition

commences to run on the day following the receipt of the registered letter at the post office to which it is addressed.

6. Requirements After Loss

- Upon the occurrence of any loss of or damage to the insured property, the **Insured** shall, if the loss or damage is covered by the contract, in addition to observing the requirements of conditions 9, 10 and 11,
 - (a) forthwith give notice thereof in writing to the Insurer;
 - (b) deliver as soon as practicable to the Insurer a proof of loss verified by a statutory declaration,
 - giving a complete inventory of the destroyed and damaged property and showing in detail quantities, costs, Actual Cash Value and particulars of amount of loss claimed,
 - stating when and how the loss occurred, and if caused by fire or explosion due to ignition, how the fire or explosion originated, so far as the **Insured** knows or believes,
 - (iii) stating that the loss did not occur through any wilful act or neglect or the procurement, means or connivance of the **Insured**,
 - (iv) showing the amount of other insurances and the names of other Insurers,
 - (v) showing the interest of the **Insured** and of all others in the property with particulars of all liens, encumbrances and other charges upon the property,
 - (vi) showing any changes in title, use, occupation, location, possession or exposures of the property since the issue of the contract,
 - (vii) showing the place where the property insured was at the time of loss;
 - (c) if required, give a complete inventory of undamaged property and showing in detail quantities, cost, Actual Cash Value;
 - (d) if required and if practicable, produce books of account, warehouse receipts and stock lists, and furnish invoices and other vouchers verified by statutory declaration, and furnish a copy of the written portion of any other contract.
- (2) The evidence furnished under clauses (1) (c) and (d) of this condition shall not be considered proofs of loss within the meaning of conditions 12 and 13.

7. Fraud

Any fraud or wilfully false statement in a statutory declaration in relation to any of the above particulars, vitiates the claim of the person making the declaration.

8. Who may give notice and proof

Notice of loss may be given and proof of loss may be made by the agent of the **Insured** named in the contract in case of absence or inability of the **Insured** to give the notice or make the proof, and absence or inability being satisfactorily accounted for, or in the like case, or if the **Insured** refuses to do so, by a person to whom any part of the insurance money is payable.

9. Salvage

- (1) The **Insured**, in the event of any loss or damage to any property insured under the contract, shall take all reasonable steps to prevent further damage to such property so damaged and to prevent damage to other property insured hereunder including, if necessary, its removal to prevent damage or further damage thereto.
- (2) The Insurer shall contribute proportionately towards any reasonable and proper expenses in connection with steps taken by the **Insured** and required under subcondition (1) of this condition according to the respective interests of the parties.

10. Entry, Control, Abandonment

After loss or damage to insured property, the Insurer has an immediate right of access and entry by accredited agents sufficient to enable them to survey and examine the property, and to make an estimate of the loss or damage, and, after the **Insured** has secured the property, a further right of access and entry sufficient to enable them to make appraisement or particular estimate of the loss or damage, but the Insurer is not entitled to the control or possession of the insured property, and without the consent of the Insurer there can be no abandonment to it of insured property.

11. Appraisal

In the event of disagreement as to the value of the property insured, the property saved or the amount of the loss, those questions shall be determined by appraisal as provided under the *Insurance Act* before there can be any recovery under this contract whether the right to recover on the contract is disputed or not, and independently of all other questions. There shall be no right to an appraisal until a specific demand therefor is made in writing and until after proof of loss has been delivered.

12. When Loss Payable

The loss is payable within sixty days after completion of the proof of loss, unless the contract provides for a shorter period.

13. Replacement

- The Insurer, instead of making payment, may repair, rebuild, or replace the property damaged or lost, giving written notice of its intention so to do within thirty days after receipt of the proofs of loss.
- (2) In that event the Insurer shall commence to so repair, rebuild, or replace the property within forty-five days after receipt of the proofs of loss, and shall thereafter proceed with all due diligence to the completion thereof.

14. Action

Every action or proceeding against the Insurer for the recovery of a claim under or by virtue of this contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within one year next after the loss or damage occurs.

15. Notice

Any written notice to the Insurer may be delivered at, or sent by registered mail to, the chief agency or head office of the Insurer in the Province. Written notice may be given to the **Insured** named in the contract by letter personally delivered to the **Insured** or by registered mail addressed to the **Insured** at the **Insured's** latest post office address as notified to the Insurer. In this condition, the expression "registered" means registered in or outside Canada.

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