





# **Product Disclosure Statement**

Product: Personal Accident & Illness

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# **Quality Service**

We are committed to delivering the highest levels of service possible at all times to you and your clients.

We pride ourselves on meeting the product needs of you and your clients initially which is then backed up by a level of service that enhances the experience.

Referrals are the cornerstone of our business and is only achievable in a competitive marketplace by meeting and then exceeding your expectations.

- Aspect Underwriting Team





# Product Disclosure Statement and Policy Wording Personal Accident & Illness Product

Aspect Underwriting and McLardy McShane Partners Pty Ltd are authorised to distribute this Product Disclosure Statement.

This PDS contains two parts:

- A. Important information contains general information about your Group Personal Accident & Illness policy; and
- B. The Personal Accident & Illness policy contain terms and conditions of your insurance policy.

To assist you to locate specific terms in this PDS, a table of contents is provided.

Please read this PDS before applying for insurance.

If we accept your application for insurance, you will receive a schedule that sets out details of the insurance you have taken out.

If you need more information about this PDS or your policy, please contact Aspect Underwriting. Their contact details are contained in this document.

This combined Product Disclosure Statement including Policy Wording document was prepared on 1st June 2024.

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# What is a Product Disclosure Statement?





# **Important Information**

This Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) contains information to help **you** make an informed decision on whether to buy the Policy.

It is important that **you** carefully read this document along with any other document we tell you forms part of the Policy to understand the cover, terms and conditions, exclusions, limits and waiting periods of the Policy.

This PDS applies for any offer of renewal of the Policy we may make, unless we tell you otherwise.

The Policy provides a number of covers which may or may not be provided to you as a retail client under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) depending on your circumstances. Only the parts of this document relevant to the cover provided to you as a retail client and any other documents which we tell you are included, make up the PDS for the purposes of the Act.

#### **Aspect Underwriting**

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The Insurers have given Aspect Underwriting the authority to act on their behalf (not the insured's) to arrange, enter into, bind, vary and cancel the Policy, as if it were the Insurers.

#### The Insurer

The insurers of this insurance are certain underwriters at Lloyd's. In consideration of the premium specified herein, the said underwriters are hereby bound, severally and not jointly, each for his own part and not one for another, their Executors and Administrators, to insurance is in accordance with the terms and conditions contained herein or endorsed hereon.

## **General Advice Warning**

Any financial product advice given by Aspect Underwriting or McLardy McShane Partners and our or their respective representatives is general advice only, limited to this Personal Accident & Illness Product, and does not take into account **vour** objectives, financial situation or needs.

Please read the PDS and Policy Wording to properly understand the cover provided and its limitations to determine if the Policy is appropriate and consider obtaining advice as to whether the benefits are appropriate or useful for **you** from a person who is licensed to give such advice.

# Our Agreement with You

We will insure you for:

- 1. injury and/or illness as a result of one or more of the insured events. and
- 2. other benefits, as set out in the policy wording and occurring during the period of insurance.

This cover will be given on the basis:

- a) of the verbal and/or written information provided by you which you gave after having been advised of your Duty of Disclosure either verbally or in writing. If you failed to comply with your Duty of Disclosure, we may be entitled to reduce our liability under the policy in respect of a claim or **we** may cancel **your** policy. If **you** have told us something which is fraudulent, we also have the option of voiding **your** policy from the effective date stated in the current schedule. For **vour** assistance, **we** have provided a full explanation of your Duty of Disclosure and the consequences of non-disclosure, under the heading your "Duty of Disclosure", on page 8.
- b) that **you** have paid us the premium for the cover you selected within the premium payment specifications contained in the policy wording

#### What the Policy Consists Of

Your policy consists of:

a) a schedule, approved by us, which sets out who is insured, the cover(s)



selected, the period of insurance, the maximum limits, the waiting period and other important information. This is referred to as the schedule in this policy document.

b) this printed Group Personal Accident and Illness Policy Wording which sets out details of your cover and its limitations, and you should carefully read and retain your insurance policy document and current schedule.

These documents should be read together as they jointly form the contract of insurance between you and **us**. Any new or replacement schedule we may send you, detailing changes to your insurance or the period of insurance, will become the current schedule, which you should carefully read and retain.

# Eligibility

To be eligible for this insurance, **you** must:

- Be a permanent resident of Australia; and
- Be 18 or over and no more than 70 years old at the date of purchase.

# The Cost of Your Policy and Paying for **Your Insurance**

The cost of your policy will be shown on the auotation provided, once all required information has been received. The cost of your policy is calculated based on age, occupation, claims experience and other information relative to the particular risk. The cost of the policy is made up of premium, government taxes such as Goods & Services Tax (GST) and Stamp Duty, where applicable.

If you enter into a Policy with us, the amount of Premium payable will be shown on the schedule.

# The Effect of an Instalment Premium not being Paid on Time?

If at the time of making a claim under this Policy it is found that the instalment premium has remained unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days or more past the last

Premium Due Date, then **we** can delay payment of the claim until this premium has been received by us.

If premiums remain in arrears for a further period of thirty (30) days or more then we may cancel this Policy by giving you 30 days' written notice.

If this Policy is cancelled due to Non-Payment of Premium, the amount owing will be deducted from any outstanding claim payments.

# Summary of Benefits and Features of the policy

The following is a summary of cover only and does not form part of the terms of the insurance and so cannot be relied on as a full description of the cover provided. See Part B for full terms, conditions, exclusions and limits that apply.

## **Accidental Death & Total Permanent Disablement**

We will pay you the benefit set out in your Policy schedule if during the policy period you suffer an injury resulting in Accidental Death or an **injury** or **illness** resulting in Total Permanent Disablement. A capital benefits table for Total Permanent Disablement is listed on page 18 of this PDS. This provides a percentage of your benefit payable for each specific event.

#### **Income Protection**

We will pay you the benefit set out in your policy schedule if you suffer an injury or illness during the policy period resulting in total disablement or temporary disablement. We will insure you for a period of up to 260 weeks, depending upon your age and the cover **you** have chosen. The details will be set out on your policy schedule.

#### Trauma and Serious Illness

Should you, during the Period of Insurance, be diagnosed as suffering from the medical events described in this section of Policy or proven to have undergone the types of surgery also described in the Policy, we will pay the Trauma Benefit to YOU.



For a summary of any Additional Benefits available to you, see pages 22-25 of this PDS.

The Most We Will Pay

The most we will pay for all claims under this Policy during any period of insurance is set out in the policy schedule for each section of cover which has been selected. Once the maximum amount has been paid per claim, the claim ceases.

#### **General Conditions**

General Conditions (applicable to all Sections of the Policy) set out **your** obligations with which you need to comply. Please refer to page 15. You should read the policy wording and make yourself aware of all the terms and conditions that apply. If you do not meet them, we may be able to decline or reduce the claim payment or cancel your policy.

#### **General Exclusions**

This policy contains a number of exclusions, some of which are common in insurance policies. For example, we may not pay for **injury** or **illness** arising from:

- c) any pre-existing illness (as defined);
- d) participation in professional sports activity;
- e) the insured person being in an aircraft unless they are a passenger.

Some of the exclusions may be less common, and as such may be unexpected. Some may not be relevant to you; however, you should make yourself aware of all the exclusions. Please refer to General Exclusions (applicable to all Sections of the Policy) on page 35.

#### Cooling-Off

If for any reason **you** are not satisfied with the Policy you can return the Policy to us within 21 days of the entry into the Policy provided you have not exercised a right or power under the Policy in that period (e.g. a claim has been made or benefit has been paid). we will refund the Premium to you in full less charges or taxes, which we are unable to recover. After the expiry of the cooling off period, you still have

cancellation rights, which are set out in 'Conditions applicable to all sections of the Policy' section of this PDS.

#### Cancellation

In addition to your Cooling Off Period rights, you may cancel the Policy by giving us written notice. For any refund rights, you may have, see 'Cancellation refund rights' directly below.

We may cancel the Policy in accordance with section 60 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth). For example, we can cancel:

- if you have failed to comply with your duty of disclosure detailed below); or
- where you made a misrepresentation to us during negotiations for the Policy but prior to the issue of the Policy; or
- where **you** have failed to comply with a provision of the Policy, including the terms relating to payment of premium; or
- where **you** have made a fraudulent claim under the Policy or under some other contract of insurance that provides cover during the same period of time that the Policy covers you.

We will email you any notice of cancellation.

# Cancellation refund rights

For refund rights if you cancel during the Cooling Off Period, see that section directly above.

If **you** or **we** cancel the Policy:

we may deduct a pro rata proportion of the Premium for time on risk, reasonable administrative costs related to the acquisition and termination of the Policy and any government charges, taxies or duties we cannot recover

# Your duty of disclosure

Before you enter into a contract of insurance, you have a duty to tell us anything that you know, or could



reasonably be expected to know, may affect our decision to insure you and on what terms. You have this duty until we agree to insure you. You have the same duty before **you** renew, extend, vary, or reinstate an insurance contract.

**You** do not need to tell **us** anything that:

- reduces the risk we insure **you** for;
- is common knowledge; or
- we know or should know as an insurer; or
- we waive your duty to tell Us about.

# If you do not tell us something

If you do not tell us anything you are required to tell us, we may cancel your contract or reduce the amount we will pay you if you make a claim, or both. If your failure to tell us is fraudulent, we may refuse to pay a claim and treat the contract as if it never existed.

# Making A Claim and Your Waiting **Period**

If you need to make a claim, please contact the Aspect Underwriting Claims Centre, as shown on page 39 of this policy document. They will send you a copy of the claim form, which will need to be fully completed.

We will not be responsible for any payments under the policy unless this form is fully completed and returned. Any costs involved in the collection of information for the form are **your** responsibility.

You need to ensure that you have seen a qualified medical practitioner as soon as possible after the **injury** or **illness** as **your** benefits will only be paid from the date you first seek medical attention.

At any time after a claim has been lodged we may:

- f) request **you** to undergo medical or related examinations;
- a) conduct enquiries into the circumstances of the claim;
- h) request **your** attending doctor or specialist to provide a progress report. This will be at **our** expense.

Any payments under this policy will be to you.

A waiting period may apply if you make a claim under this policy. A waiting period is the time **you** must be totally or partially disabled before **you** start to receive a benefit under this insurance policy. The length of any waiting period will be shown on your policy schedule.

# **Taxation Implications**

#### **Income Tax**

A claim paid in respect of weekly disability benefits is subject to personal income tax and it is your responsibility to declare such benefit when completing your usual tax return.

**We** are required to deduct income tax from your fortnightly benefit amount and remit that tax to the ATO on **your** behalf. Claims for lump sum benefits may also require tax to be paid, depending on the circumstances.

#### **Goods & Services Tax**

Generally, you will not be required to pay Goods and Services Tax (GST) on any benefits **you** receive under **your** policy.

**We** strongly recommend **you** consult a tax consultant if **you** have any questions about **your** particular taxation circumstances in relation to this product.

# **Dispute Resolution**

What to do if you have a complaint?

## **About Lloyd's**

Lloyd's is the world's specialist insurance and reinsurance market, bringing together an outstanding concentration of underwriting expertise and talent.

In Australia, Lloyd's is proud to be a member of the Insurance Council of Australia. Lloyd's has adopted the General Insurance Code of Practice subject to certain specific qualifications. You can obtain a copy of the Code at www.codeofpractice.com.au

Lloyd's aim is to provide the highest service to our Australian policyholders, and, to this



end, we have developed the following procedures for the fair handling of complaints for Lloyd's policyholders.

# How can we help you?

There are established procedures for dealing with complaints and disputes, regarding your policy or claim.

#### **Internal Dispute Resolution**

If you have any concerns or wish to make a complaint in relation to this policy, our services or your insurance claim, please let us know and we will attempt to resolve your concerns in accordance with our Internal Dispute Resolution procedures. Please contact Aspect Underwriting in the first instance:

Mike Wallis - Director Aspect Underwriting Suite 2, 73a Rupert Street, Collingwood VIC

Phone: 1300 979 458

Email: info@aspectuw.com.au

If we cannot resolve your complaint to your satisfaction, we will escalate your matter to Lloyd's Australia who will determine whether it will be reviewed by their office or the Lloyd's UK Complaints team. Lloyd's contact details are:

Lloyds Australia Limited

Email: idraustralia@lloyds.com Telephone: (02) 8298 0783

Post: Suite 1603 Level 16, 1 Macquarie

Place, Sydney NSW 2000

#### **External Dispute Resolution**

You may refer your complaint to the Australia Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) at any time, and if your complaint is not resolved to your satisfaction within 30 calendar days of the date on which you first made the complaint.

AFCA can be contacted as follows:

Telephone: 1800 931 678 Email: info@afca.org.au

Post: GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001

Your complaint must be referred to AFCA within 2 years of the final decision. If your complaint is not eligible for consideration by AFCA, you may be referred to the Financial Ombudsman Service (UK) or provided with other options.

The Underwriters accepting this insurance agreed that:

- If a dispute arises under this (i) Insurance, this Insurance will be subject to Australian law and practice and the Underwriters will submit to the jurisdiction of any competent Court in the Commonwealth of Australia;
- (ii) Any summons notice or process to be served upon the Underwriters may be served upon:

Lloyd's Underwriters' General Representative in Australia Suite 1603, Level 16, 1 Macquarie Place, Sydney NSW 2000 Who has authority to accept service on the Underwriters' behalf;

(iii) If a suit is instituted against any of the Underwriters, all Underwriters participating in this Insurance will abide by the final decision of such Court or any competent Appellate Court.

In the event of a claim arising under this Insurance IMMEDIATE NOTICE should be given to:

## **EML**

Telephone: 1800 931 330

New claims: newclaimsAH@eml.com.au Info email: EMLplusclaims@eml.com.au Address: Level 3, 345 George St

(iv)Sydney, NSW, 2000

#### Privacy

We are committed to protecting your privacy. we use the information you provide us to quote on your application for a policy, to provide the insurance, administer the policy and assess and manage any claims. we only provide personal information to **our** underwriters



and reinsurers (and their representatives) and those **we** appoint to assist **us** with claims under **your** policy.

If **you** do not provide **us** with full information, **we** cannot properly quote for **your** insurance and **we** cannot insure **you**.

**You** can check the personal information **we** hold about **you** at any time. Such application should be directed to McLardy McShane Partners in writing where it will be considered by their internal Privacy Disputes Department.

If you provide us with personal information about anyone else, we rely on you to have their consent if you will be providing their information to us, and that you have told them to whom we may provide it, the purposes for which we will use it and that they can access it. If the information is sensitive, we rely on you to have obtained their consent on these matters.

For more information about Aspect Underwriting and McLardy McShane Partners's Privacy Policy, please visit Aspect's website to obtain a copy: www.aspectuw.com.au

# **Intermediary Remuneration**

**We** may pay remuneration to insurance intermediaries when **we** issue, renew or vary a policy. The type and amount of remuneration varies and may include commission and other payments. **We** may also pay remuneration to other insurance intermediaries for policies that have been referred.

If **you** require more information about remuneration paid to McLardy McShane Partners, Aspect Underwriting or **your** intermediary, **you** should ask the appropriate party.

## **Privacy Notice**

You should understand that any information you have provided will be processed by us in compliance with General Data Protection Regulation for the purpose of providing insurance and handling claims and complaints, if any, which may necessitate providing such information to other parties. You can obtain a copy of our full privacy notice by contacting Aspect Underwriting.

#### **Code of Practice**

This Policy is Insurance Council of Australia's General Insurance Code of Practice compliant, apart from any claims adjusted outside Australia. Underwriters at Lloyd's proudly support the General Insurance Code of Practice. The purpose of the Code is to raise standards of practice and service in the general insurance industry.

#### Renewal Procedure

Before this policy expires **we** will normally offer renewal by sending a renewal invitation advising the amount payable to renew this policy. It is important that **you** check the information shown before renewing each year to satisfy yourself that the details are correct.

#### **Updating the PDS**

Information in the PDS may need to be updated from time to time. **You** can obtain a paper copy of any updated information without charge by calling us on the contact details provided in this policy document. If the update is to correct a misleading or deceptive statement or an omission, that is materially adverse from the point of view of a reasonable person deciding whether to acquire this policy, we will provide you with a new PDS or a supplementary PDS.



# **Contact Details**

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570-588 Swan Street Richmond VIC 312

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Website: <u>www.mclardymcshane.com.au</u> Email: info@mclardymcshane.com.au

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Please contact Aspect Underwriting initially.





# **The Policy Wording**

#### Introduction

This document, the **schedule** and any endorsement attached form your contract of insurance.

This document sets out the conditions of the contract of insurance between you and **us**. It should be kept in a safe place.

This is a Contract of Insurance containing the terms and conditions, benefits and limitations of:

- a) Accidental Death & Total Permanent Disablement: and/or
- b) Income Protection; and/or
- c) Trauma

The insurance applies ONLY to the policy and the benefits/limits of our liability within them which are shown in the schedule and have a monetary amount inserted against them. Where there is no monetary amount shown against an item in the **schedule** or "Not Selected" is shown against an item in the **schedule** it means that **you** have not selected that policy type as a whole.

Please read this document and the **schedule** carefully. It is important that:

- you check that the policies and the benefits/limits of our liability you have requested are included;
- you comply with your duties under each selected policy and under the insurance as a whole.

Our aim is to ensure that all aspects of your insurance are dealt with promptly, efficiently and fairly. At all times, we are

committed to providing you with the highest standard of service.

If **you** have any questions or concerns about **your** contract of insurance or the handling of a claim you should contact us or **your** appointed broker.





# **Important Notices**

All cover under this Policy is subject to:

- 1. The Payment of premium;
- 2. The terms and conditions contained in this Policy, including the **schedule**;
- 3. The limits of liability referred to in the Policy.

Subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations contained herein, this Policy provides cover for; Disablement caused by **injury** or **illness**; Death caused by **injury**; and benefits are payable in the circumstances set out in the Policy **schedule**.

The particular cover which applies to **you** and which you selected when **you** applied for this insurance is referred to in the **schedule** which forms part of this Policy. If for any reason **you** are not completely satisfied, this Policy may be returned to **us** within fourteen (14) days of its receipt and, subject to no claim being made, **we** will refund in full any premium paid.

# Understanding the contract of insurance

This is a Contract of Insurance containing the terms and conditions, benefits and limitations of:

- a) Accidental Death & Total
  Permanent Disablement; and/or
- b) Income Protection; and/or
- c) Trauma

**Your schedule** will confirm which of these policies **you** have selected for cover.

Terms and conditions specific to each policy are set out in each appropriate section in this policy document. All other terms and conditions in this document shall apply to the whole contact of insurance.

# **Right to Cancel**

**You** can cancel this contract of insurance after the cooling-off period by giving 30 days' written notice to **us**.

In such event: If **you** decide to cancel this insurance **we** shall return the premium paid for the unused **period of insurance** on a pro rata basis, provided no claim has been paid or is due to be paid and nothing has occurred that is likely to give rise to a claim.

If you elect to cancel your policy before the expiry date, we reserve the right to retain our remuneration earned prior to the cancellation and we will not refund any administration fees charged. You will have been notified of any such fees when you took out this contract of insurance.

# Premium adjustment

The premium for this contract of insurance may be subject to reassessment by **us**:

- at the end of the period of insurance;
- at intervals specified by us; or
- upon a change to the risk details.

Further details may be shown in the terms and conditions in each policy and in the **schedule**.



#### Law and Jurisdiction

The parties are free to choose the law applicable to this contract of insurance. Unless specifically agreed to the contrary this contract of insurance shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Australia and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Australia.

# Language of this contract of insurance

Unless otherwise gareed the language of this contract of insurance shall be English.

## **Defined words and phrases**

Some words and phrases in this document will always have the same meaning wherever they appear. To make them easier to recognise when they are being used, they will be shown in **bold** type.

Some definitions are general to the whole contract of insurance and they are listed and explained below under General Definitions. Other Definitions will be specific to each policy and will be listed and explained in each policy.

#### **General Definitions**

In this contract of insurance:

#### "Period of insurance"

The time for which this contract of insurance is in place as shown in the schedule.

# "Schedule"

The document issued with, and forming part of, this contract of insurance which names or specifies the Policyholder and confirms the period of insurance and insured persons. The schedule also confirms which policies/extension you have selected and the amounts of the benefits/limits of our liability.

#### "We/Us/Our"

The Underwriters of this contract of insurance, being certain underwriters at Lloyd's.

#### "You/Your"

The person, company or firm who purchased this contract of insurance and is named or specified in the **schedule** as the Policyholder.





# General Conditions (applicable to all **Sections of the Policy)**

The conditions listed below shall apply to the whole contract of insurance. Other conditions will apply to each policy and these will be listed in each appropriate policy.

#### Sanction Limitation and Exclusion 1 Clause

We shall not be deemed to provide cover or be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit hereunder to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose us to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

#### 2. Fraud

Any fraud, misstatement or concealment by you in relation to any matter affecting this insurance or in connection with the making of any claim under it will give us the rights provided for in the Insurance Contracts Act including where appropriate the right to reduce or refuse payment of any claim or to cancel or avoid the Policy.

# 3. Observance

**We** will not be liable to provide any benefits or indemnity under this contract of insurance unless you have complied with all of its terms and conditions.

#### 4. Interpretation

In this contract of insurance, where consistent with the context, the masculine gender shall include the feminine, the singular shall include the plural and the plural the singular.

# Cessation of an insured persons cover under the Policy:

Cover for an **insured person** under this Policy will immediately cease on the earliest of the following dates;

> on the date the Policy is terminated:

- 6. on the date the insured requests that an **insured person** be deleted as an insured person under this Policy;
  - on the date the **insured person** is retired or pensioned (applicable to Temporary Permanent Disablement & Income Protection Cover only; or
  - as and from the date the Policv is cancelled subject otherwise to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

#### 7. Clerical error

Any clerical error by any of the parties to this insurance shall not invalidate this insurance.

#### 8. Takeover terms

In the event that we are taking over a Policy of insurance from any other insurer or insurance provider, we will apply the FSC Guidance Note No. 11 - Group Insurance Takeover Terms in relation to all claims, subject to us paying no more to a claimant on applying the FSC Guidance Note No. 11 - Group Insurance Takeover Terms than the insured person would have received under the Policy taken over at the time of the insured Event.

If at the expiry of the Policy Period or if this Policy is cancelled for any reason before that date, we will apply the FSC Guidance Note No. 11 – Group Insurance Takeover Terms in relation to claims that arise after the expiry of the Policy Period or the date of cancellation of this Policy.

#### Time of the Payment of Claim

Compensation other than periodic payment will be paid immediately upon receipt of due written proof of the Claim. Periodic payment in the Income Protection product will be paid in the manner specified in Income Protection Special Provision 8.

## 10. Guaranteed Renewal

Provided that all terms and conditions of the Policy, including the payment of premiums, have been complied with we guarantee we will offer renewal terms. The rates and terms may vary from this Policy.



#### 11. Subrogation/Offsets

- a) If we make payments under this policy to an insured person, then to the extent that the insured person receives payments: (other than benefits under this policy):
  - from an employer or a former (i) employer, business partnership, or another similar source;
  - (ii) from a superannuation or pension plan;
  - (iii) from any other disability, injury or illness policy; (except for lump sum benefits received for lump sum benefits under this policy);
  - from any workers' compensation (iv) insurer; or compulsory third-party motor vehicle insurer; or transport accident compensation scheme or legislation; or public liability insurer:
  - (v) from any government authority or government instrumentality in the form of a pension or allowance;
  - by way of commission payments (∨i) or remuneration relating to the period(s) from which the insured **person** is paid under this policy

then we are entitled to recalculate and reduce the benefit, to the insured person, under this policy, by any amount received from any of the above.

- b) Any difference between the benefit paid and the recalculated benefit shall be repaid by the insured person. if the **insured person** does not fully repay us we can reduce future benefits by the amount of the unpaid difference and/or be entitled to a repayment of the recalculated benefits.
- c) If an **insured person** receives payments from any of the categories in (a) above, after the benefit has been paid by us, then we are entitled to a repayment of the recalculated benefit in full.

d) The **insured person** is obliged to disclose to us immediately details of any payments received, in accordance with (a) above, either before, during or after receiving their benefit under this policy.

#### 12. Increase in Risk

If **you** change the occupation originally declared to **us** and that occupation;

- carries a greater risk of you sustaining **injury** or **Illness** than the occupation originally stated; and
- for which **we** might charge **you** an additional premium,

without telling us first and getting our approval, then we will not pay you for any claim that you may make for injury or illness which arises due to your new occupation.

An example is changing occupation from white to blue collar.

#### 13. Several Liability Clause

The liability of an insurer under this contract is several and not joint with other insurers party to this contract. An insurer is liable only for the proportion of liability it has underwritten. An insurer is not jointly liable for the proportion of liability underwritten by any other insurer. Nor is an insurer otherwise responsible for any liability of any other insurer that may underwrite this contract.

The proportion of liability under this contract underwritten by an insurer (or, in the case of a Lloyd's syndicate, the total of the proportions underwritten by all the members of the syndicate taken together) is shown in this contract.

In the case of a Lloyd's syndicate, each member of the syndicate (rather than the syndicate itself) is an insurer. Each member has underwritten a proportion of the total shown for the syndicate (that total itself being the total of the proportions underwritten by all the members of the syndicate taken together). The liability of each member of the syndicate is several



and not joint with other members. A member is liable only for that member's proportion. A member is not jointly liable for any other member's proportion. Nor is any member otherwise responsible for any liability of any other insurer that may underwrite this contract. The business address of each member is Lloyd's, One Lime Street, London EC3M 7HA. The identity of each member of a Lloyd's syndicate and their respective proportion may be obtained by writing to Market Services, Lloyd's, at the above address.

Although reference is made at various points in this clause to "this contract" in the singular, where the circumstances so require this should be read as a reference to contracts in the plural.

# 14. Cyber Incident Endorsement and Cyber Act Exclusion (Personal **Accident & Illness)**

Any benefits for Bodily Injury or Illness caused by or arising out of a Cyber Incident are payable subject to the terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of this policy.

This policy does not provide cover under any circumstances for any **injury** or **illness** arising directly or indirectly from any Cyber Act.

Cyber Act means an unauthorised, malicious or criminal act or series of related unauthorised, malicious or criminal acts, regardless of time and place, or the threat or hoax thereof involving access to, processing of, use of or operation of any Computer System.

#### **Cyber Incident** means:

1.1 any error or omission or series of related errors or omissions involving access to, processing of, use of or operation of any Computer System; or

1.2 any partial or total unavailability or failure or series of related partial or total unavailability or failures to access, process, use or operate any Computer System.

Computer System means any computer, hardware, software, communications system, electronic device (including, but not limited to, smart phone, laptop, tablet, wearable device), server, cloud or microcontroller including any similar system or any configuration of the aforementioned and including any associated input, output, data storage device, networking equipment or back up facility, owned or operated by you or any other party.





# **Insuring Clauses**

In consideration of the payment of the Premium by each Premium Due Date during the Policy Period, and subject to the terms and conditions, exclusions and limitations, contained in, endorsed or attached to the Policy, if, during the Policy Period, any of the Insured Events happens to an **insured person**, **we** will pay, the benefit specified in the **schedule**, in the manner described.

# a) ACCIDENTAL DEATH & TOTAL PERMANENT DISABLEMENT

#### **Benefit Table**

The compensation being a percentage of the Sum insured specified in the **schedule**.

The	Events	The
		Compensation
1.	Accidental Death	100%
2.	Total Permanent Disablement	100%
3.	Permanent Paraplegia	100%
4.	Permanent Quadriplegia	100%
5.	Permanent Total Loss of Sight of both eyes	100%
6.	Permanent Total Loss of sight of one eye	100%
7.	Permanent Total Loss of use of two limbs.	100%
8.	Permanent Total Loss of use of one limb.	100%
9.	Permanent and Incurable Insanity	100%
10.	Permanent Total Loss of hearing in both ears	80%
11.	Permanent Total Loss of Hearing in one ear	20%
12.	Permanent Total Loss of four fingers and a thumb (either hand)	75%
13	Permanent Total Loss of the lens of both eyes	100%
	Permanent Total Loss of the lens of one eye	60%
	Third Degree burns and/or resultant disfigurement which	50%
10.	covers more than 40% of the entire external body	0070
16.	Permanent Total Loss of use of four fingers of either hand	40%
	Permanent Total Loss of use of one thumb both joints (either hand)	30%
18.	Permanent Total Loss of use of one thumb one joint (either hand)	15%
19.	Permanent Total Loss of fingers of either hand three joints	10%
	Permanent Total Loss of fingers of either hand two joints	8%
21.	Permanent Total Loss of fingers of either hand one joint	5%
22.	Permanent Total Loss of use of toes of either foot - all, one foot	15%
23.	Permanent Total Loss of use of toes of either foot - great, both joints	5%
24.	Permanent Total Loss of use of toes of either foot - great, one joint	3%
25.	Permanent Total Loss of use of toes of either foot - other than great, each toe	1%
26.	Fractured leg or patella with established non-union	10%
	Permanent Shortening of leg by at least 5 cm	8%

Compensation shall not be payable:

- a) Under more than one of the Events (1-27) in respect of the same period of time
- b) Beyond 65 years of age, unless otherwise agreed to by **us** in writing



# **Total Permanent Disablement Definition** 1) If employed at the date of disablement:

Disablement which entirely prevents the **insured person** from attending to their normal occupation and which lasts twelve months and at the end of that period is beyond hope of improvement.

# 2) If not employed at the date of disablement:

The Daily Activities of the insured person shall be assessed as follows: ABBREVIATIONS: I, independent; A, assistance; D, dependent

# 1. Bathing (sponge, shower, or tub):

I: receives no assistance (gets in and out of tub if tub is the usual means of bathina):

A: receives assistance in bathing only one part of the body (such as the back or a leg);

D: receives assistance in bathing more than one part of the body (or not bathed).

#### 2. Dressing:

I: gets clothes and gets completely dressed without assistance;

A: gets clothes and gets completely dressed without assistance except in tying shoes;

D: receives assistance in getting clothes or in getting dressed or stays partly or completely undressed.

#### 3. Toileting:

I: goes to 'toilet room', cleans self, and arranges clothes without assistance (may use object for support such as cane, walker, or wheelchair and may manage night bedpan or commode, emptying it in the morning);

A: receives assistance in going to 'toilet room' or in cleansing self or in arranging clothes after elimination or in use of night bedpan or commode:

D: doesn't go to room termed 'toilet' for the elimination process.

# 4. Transfer:

I: moves in and out of bed as well as in and out of chair without assistance (may be using object for support such as can or walker);

A: moves in and out of bed or chair with assistance:

D: doesn't get out of bed.

#### 5. Continence:

controls urination and bowel movement completely by self;

has occasional 'accidents'; A:

D: supervision helps keep urine or bowel control; catheter is used, or is incontinent.

# 6. Feeding:

I: feeds self without assistance;

A: feeds self except for getting assistance in cutting meat or buttering bread;

D: receives assistance in feeding or is fed partly or completely using tubes or intravenous fluids.

If the assessment results in two or more of these activities being rated as A or D, we shall pay the Total Permanent Disablement Benefit specified in the Benefit Table.

# **Special Provisions Applicable to this Product only:**

- a) we shall not be liable under the Policy for more than one injury for an insured person, where the insured person has already had a successful claim under the Policy for one of the insured Events 1-27.
- b) Benefits will not be payable for more than one of the insured events 1-27 arising out of the same injury. In that event, the highest benefit applicable will be payable.
- c) No cover is provided under this policy for an **injury** or **illness** which occur on or after the date an insured person reaches the Maximum Age Limit, unless otherwise agreed to by us in writing.



- d) Unless an **insured person** otherwise directs, all benefits shall be paid to the insured person, or, in the case of the insured person's death, to the insured **person**'s legal personal representative.
- e) If death is not covered, then no claim shall be payable, in respect of any injury which would have given rise to a claim for death had that item been covered.
- If death is covered and an injury causes the death of the insured **person** within twelve months following the date of the injury and prior to the definite settlement of the benefit for disablement provided for under Items 2 to 7 of the Benefits shown in the schedule, there shall be paid only the benefit provided for in the case of death.
- If the benefit for death is covered, this a) benefit shall also be payable in the event of disappearance of an **insured** person. we will only provide this benefit if:
  - i. the **insured person's** body is not found within twelve months of their disappearance, and sufficient evidence is produced, satisfactory to us, that leads us inevitably to the conclusion that the **insured person** has sustained injury and that such injury has caused their death; and
  - ii. the person or persons to whom such sum is paid shall sign an undertaking to refund such sum to us if the insured person is subsequently found to be alive.
- No benefit shall be payable should illness cause the death of the insured person.
- If your Total Permanent Disablement cover is purchased within superannuation (Refer 5. Insurance in Superannuation), the definition of **Total** Permanent Disablement is amended to other occupation.

# **Definitions Applicable to this Product:**

"Pre-Existing Illness" means any medical condition, side-effect or symptoms of a condition which the **insured person** has received medical attention, sought or received treatment, undergone tests or taken prescribed medication for in the three (3) years prior to that insured person's Effective Date of Individual Cover. Such medical condition will remain uninsured until the expiry of three consecutive years from the cessation of any treatment, advice or recommendation from a medical practitioner.





# b) INCOME PROTECTION

# **Table of Events**

The following Benefits shall be payable in respect of each insured event which occurs during the Policy Period.

Injury & Illness Benefit

Insured Event	The Benefit				
Injury or illness as defined, causing:					
1. Total Disablement	During such <b>total disablement</b> , the amount specified in the <b>schedule</b> or <b>income</b> as defined, whichever is the lesser.				
2. Partial Disablement	During such partial disablement, if the insured person is able to return to work in a reduced capacity then the Benefit payable shall be calculated as the difference between the total disablement benefit and the current income received from the reduced work capacity.  If the insured person is able to return to work in a reduced capacity but declines to do so, then the Benefit payable will be reduced to 25 per cent of the total disablement benefit per week.				

Maximum Benefit Period - as stated in the schedule





# Additional Benefits included automatically in your Income Protection cover

**Rehabilitation Assistance** - in the (i) event of the payment of a claim under Total Permanent Disablement or Income Protection, we at our absolute discretion, may elect to assist the **insured person** in arranging for training or advice from a licensed vocational school, provided such training or advice is undertaken with the agreement of the **insured person**'s attending reaistered and legally qualified medical practitioner.

> Assistance may also include family counselling to help the insured person and his or her family cope with the **insured person**'s disability and to enable the **insured person** to live an independent life. The maximum amount payable by us in respect of this assistance may be up to AUD25,000 in respect of an **insured person** and is at Our absolute discretion to pay for or assist in the arranging of such services.

Return to Work Assistance - in the (ii) event of the payment of a claim under Total Permanent Disablement or Income Protection, we at our absolute discretion, may elect to assist the **insured person** in arranging for professional assistance to improve their physical and/or emotional condition.

> Assistance includes special equipment for and/or modifications to the **insured person**'s normal residence or workplace. The maximum amount payable by us in respect of this assistance may be up to AUD25,000 in respect of an **insured person** and is at Our absolute discretion to pay for or assist in the arranging of such services.

The insured must co-operate with us and assist us in getting an

**insured person** who is on claim to return to full-time work or reduced work capacity.

- Homemaker Assistance Benefit if (iii) an insured person's spouse or partner who performs Homemaker Duties and is not in receipt of any income suffers an **injury** or **illness** lasting for twenty-four (24) consecutive hours or more, we will pay for Homemaker Assistance to aid the spouse or partner in performing their Homemaker Duties, provided that:
  - no such Benefit payments have ever been made in respect of the spouse or partner under the Policy;
  - such Benefit payments are not payable to any family members, relatives or any other person permanently living with the insured **person** or their spouse or partner;
  - such Homemaker Assistance is not related to the provision of medical or nursing care support or treatment;
  - such Benefit payments are not payable under any other provision(s) of the Policy;
  - the **insured person's** spouse or partner is certified by a registered and legally qualified medical practitioner as being unable to perform their regular Homemaker Duties; and
  - the **insured person** must provide **us** with written proof that he or she has incurred expenses in obtaining Homemaker Assistance (for example receipts or invoices).

Homemaker Assistance Benefit:

- a) Amount up to a maximum of \$400 in respect of amounts incurred in respect of any one calendar week.
- b) Period Up to a maximum of twenty (26) weeks.
- c) Waiting Period the Waiting Period for this Benefit shall be the same period as shown in the **schedule** for weekly injury benefits and weekly illness benefits that



are payable under the Policy.

#### (iv) Inflation Protection Benefit

An annual automatic increase to your cover of 3%, designed to be in line with Consumer Price Index (CPI).

#### (v) Waiver of Premium Benefit

**We** will reimburse your Income Protection premiums while you're receiving a benefit payment for Income Protection.

# (vi) Increasing Claim Benefit

While **you** are receiving payments, **we** will increase benefit payments in line with Consumer Price Index on each anniversary of the commencement of continuous benefit payments. This increase is capped at a 5% increase per year.

(vii) Mental Health Discount Option
We will discount your Income
Protection premiums by 10% if you
reduce your Benefit Period for
Nervous or Mental And/Or
Psychiatric Disorders to a maximum

Only available if

of 104 weeks in total.

- The Benefit Period **you** selected is 260 weeks
- if you do not have a history of Mental And/Or Psychiatric Disorders

#### (viii) Life Events Cover

When one of the following life events occurs to the Insured Person:

- Marriage
- Birth of a child
- Promotion at existing employment or new employment

**You** are entitled to increase your nominated insurable income by a maximum of 15% without the need to provide additional health information.

**You** are entitled to take up this option for only one of the life events listed during any one policy year.

This option is not available if healthrelated loadings, restrictions or exclusions already apply to your cover.

# Optional Additional Benefits Bundle (not included automatically in your Temporary Total Disablement cover)

The following Additional Benefits may be purchased by you as an optional extra with an additional premium payable.

Please note these Additional Benefits are bundled together and cannot be purchased individually.

#### (i) Bed Confinement Benefit

If you're bed confined for more than 72 consecutive hours as a result of being totally disabled during the waiting period, we'll pay 1/30th of the Temporary Total Disablement Benefit for each day (including the first 72 consecutive hours) you are bed confined during the waiting period, for up to a maximum of 90 days. If you become bed confined as a result of suffering a recurring disability, any further benefits will be determined after taking into account the benefits already paid under this benefit. Payments will be made monthly in arrears.

#### (ii) Family Support Benefit

we pay a monthly benefit of up to \$5,000 up to a maximum of three months if an **Immediate Family Member** stops paid work to care for **you**. **You** must be **Totally Disabled** and Bed Confined for 30 consecutive days to be eligible.

Any benefit is reduced by amounts reimbursed from the Housekeeper Benefit.

# (iii) Accommodation Benefit If you're bed confined as a result of

being totally disabled and:



- you became totally disabled more than 100km from your usual place of residence, or
- on the advice of a **medical** practitioner, you travel to a place more than 100km from your usual place of residence.

we'll reimburse actual accommodation costs directly incurred by an immediate family member accommodated near where you're bed confined. we'll reimburse up to \$250 per day for a

maximum of 30 days in any 12-month period. Payments will be made monthly in arrears.

#### (iv) Housekeeper Benefit

we pay a monthly benefit of up to \$5,000, for up to six months, to a nonfamily member that **you** are totally reliant upon. You must be Totally Disabled for 30 consecutive days and bed confined at home to be eligible. Any benefit is reduced by amounts reimbursed from Family Support Benefit.

#### (v) Overseas Assistance Benefit

If you're overseas and become totally disabled and are entitled to receive payments from us, we'll reimburse reasonable expenses for you and your immediate family members to return to either your home address or a medical facility in Australia.

we'll reimburse up to a maximum of \$10,000 for this Benefit over the life of your cover with us.

You must advise us in advance of your return journey to Australia and payment will only be made after appropriate evidence is received.

This benefit won't apply:

- if your journey overseas before becoming disabled was taken against the advice of a health care professional, or
- for expenses covered by any other insurance policy. For example, travel insurance.

# (vi) Involuntary Unemployment Benefit We will reimburse your Income Protection premiums, including

premiums for the Additional Benefit Bundle, if you become involuntarily unemployed for reasons other than **Illness** or **Injury** for up to a maximum of three consecutive months from the date of unemployment.

**You** will continue to be covered over this period. This benefit only applies if you have had cover for a minimum of six months.

We will resume collecting premiums at the end of this three-month period.

This benefit will also cease on the date you're no longer unemployed, if it is within the three-month benefit period.

#### (vii) Elective Surgery Benefit

**We** will pay the Income Protection Benefit (as per the applicable terms and conditions stated) if you have elective surgery.

This Benefit will not apply if your **elective** surgery to improve your appearance took place within 6 months of:

- the commencement date
- any nominated increase in your Sum Insured (but only in respect of the increased portion), or
- the most recent reinstatement of your cover under this Policy.

This benefit is not available for superannuation policies.

#### (viii) Child Care Benefit

We will reimburse you for costs incurred in relation to providing outside care for any children under the age of 12, as a result of your total disablement. The benefit will be an additional 5% of the Total Temporary Disablement Benefit or Partial Temporary Disablement Benefit (as applicable), up to a maximum of \$500 per month for three months.

## (ix) Child's Trauma Benefit

(Not available if your policy is purchased by your Superannuation Fund)



**We** will pay a lump sum payment of three times the Total Temporary Disablement Benefit up to a maximum of \$25,000 if your child suffers a Medical Event listed in Trauma & Serious Illness section of this Product Disclosure Statement.

Under this Benefit, no payments will be made for Cancer, Heart Attack or Stroke if that event occurred or was diagnosed, or the signs or symptoms leading to diagnosis became apparent, within six months after the:

- Child's Trauma Benefit start date; or
- most recent date we agreed to reinstate **your** Policy.

No payment will be made if the Medical Event is caused directly or indirectly by the intentional act of a person who stands to derive a benefit from the claim payment.

This benefit is available for **your** financially dependent children aged between two and 15 at the time of application. Cover expires on the Policy anniversary before your child's 19th birthday, or all cover under this policy ceases.

# Special Provision applicable to this Product only

- Compensation shall not be payable:
  - a. Under any of the **insured events** in excess of the Maximum Benefit Period shown in the schedule against such **insured events** in respect of any one injury or illness.
  - b. For the waiting period.
  - c. For any time after the expiry of the waiting period during which the **insured person** receives sick leave or other not-at-work' related payments, either directly or indirectly from their employer. Such payments may be reinstated where there is a delay in us accepting liability and the **employer** agrees to re-credit any not-at-work related payments in

- excess of the waiting period as specified in the schedule.
- d. If the **insured person** is entitled to any statutory benefit. However, this is subject to Special Provision 3 (Top-Up Benefit). This Special Provision (1.f.) does not apply if the insured person is in receipt of any transport accident compensation benefits for loss of income, in which case we will pay the difference between the **insured** persons income as shown in the **schedule** and the transport accident compensation benefit, subject to all other terms, conditions and exclusions of this Policy.
- e. Under more than one of the Benefits in respect of the same period of time
- Once the **insured person** is deemed fit to return to work by a **medical** practitioner
- If an **insured person** is able to return to work in a reduced capacity, and that work is available, but declines to do so, then the Benefit will be 25% of the Benefit the insured person was receiving.
- In the event of **injury** or **illness** which entitles the **insured person** to **statutory** benefits, we will only pay the difference between the statutory **benefits** and the Income Protection benefit amount specified in the schedule (otherwise known as a Top-Up benefit). **We** will pay this amount for as long as the **insured person** is entitled to receive the statutory **benefits** or the end of the Maximum Benefit Period, whichever occurs first. When the **statutory benefits** payable to the insured person cease, we will also cease payments and no further claim will be accepted or Benefit payable in respect of the insured event from which the insured person received the statutory benefits.

This is subject to these Special Provisions 4 & 6.

4. If we are paying a Top-Up Benefit to an **insured person** and the **insured** 



person agrees to redeem or convert their statutory benefits entitlement to a lump sum payment with an insurer or authority, then Our liability to pay Top-Up Benefits to an insured person (subject to the Maximum Benefit Period) is limited to us paying a lump sum commutation to the insured person calculated as follows:

A divided by B equals C, which is then multiplied by D

A is the commutation sum agreed with the insurer or authority
B is the regular statutory benefit
C is the number of weeks the commutation sum equates to A divided by B

D is Our weekly income Top-Up
Benefit

- Benefits for a period of less than one week will be paid at the rate of oneseventh (1/7th) of the weekly Benefit for each day during that the total disablement or partial disablement continues.
- 6. If an **insured person** suffers a recurrence of Total and/or partial disablement from the same or related cause or causes, the subsequent period of Total and/or partial disablement will be deemed a continuation of the prior period. However, this shall not apply if the insured person has worked on a fulltime basis for at least six (6) consecutive months between such periods of disablement, in which case the subsequent period of Total and/or partial disablement shall be deemed to have resulted from a new **injury** or illness and a new Waiting Period shall apply.
- 7. **We** are not liable to pay a Benefit relating to any further Disablement caused by the same **injury** or **illness** once the Maximum Benefit Period expires. Subject to the terms of this policy and payment of Premium, **we** will be liable to pay a Benefit for any

- further Disablement which is caused by an unrelated **injury** or **illness**.
- Benefits shall be payable fourteen (14) days in arrears, or such other period as may be agreed from time to time and case to case, commencing at the end of the first fourteen (14) days after the Waiting Period.
- If an **insured person** is entitled to make a claim to be paid under the Policy through being unable to follow their normal occupation with their employer and continues to earn an **income** from another **employer** that **income** will not affect the payment of a Benefit under the Policy unless the total of the payment under the Policy and the **income** derived from the other employment exceeds the average weekly income as determined under the Policy at the date of occurrence of the illness or injury. Should the total figure exceed the average weekly **income** then the excess portion of that income will be deducted from payments under the Policy.
- 10. In the event that an insured person receives an income related benefit from another insurance policy arising out of an insured Event for which a Benefit is payable under the Policy, we will pay a Benefit which is the amount, if any of the difference between the Benefit payable under the Policy and the amount received from the other insurance policy.
- 11. In the event that an insured person is in receipt of a claim and has their employment terminated by their employer, we will continue to pay the claim subject to the continuation of the total disablement and/or partial disablement which first caused the claim, subject to the Maximum Benefit Period as shown in the schedule.



- 12. All persons aged from 18 up to 65 years are **insured persons** under the Policy in the event of a claim, unless otherwise stated in the **schedule** or via policy endorsement.
- 13. If an insured person is disabled by a degenerative condition (including any condition that has gradually developed over time) affecting your musculoskeletal system (muscles, bones, ligaments and joints, including vertebral discs and cartilage), the Benefit payable will be reduced by 50%.
- 14. Where an **insured person**'s employment has been terminated due to redundancy, the benefit period will be the lesser of the Maximum Benefit Period or 90 days from the termination date.

#### **Definitions Applicable to this Product:**

"Pre-Existing Illness" means any illness that an insured person is having or has had treatment for or advice for treatment for in the twelve (12) calendar months prior to the date of commencement of his or her cover under a policy issued by us. However, such illness will be covered provided:

a) An insured person has, with the agreement of a medical practitioner, ceased all treatment or advice for at least twelve (12) months during the insured period.

Or

15. An insured person has had two years of continuous cover under a policy issued by us at the time of their total disablement and was actively at work for the two consecutive months prior to their total disablement which leads to the claim.

# c) TRAUMA

(Not available if your policy is purchased by your Superannuation Fund)

Should an **insured person** during the Period of Insurance:

- i) Be diagnosed as suffering from any of the Medical Events described (except any Medical Events shown as excluded in the schedule); or is proven to have undergone the types of surgery also described (other than that described in Medical Events 1) or any surgery shown as excluded in the schedule); we will pay the Trauma Benefit specified in the schedule. Provided that you survive a period in excess of 30 days from the date of diagnosis or surgery.
- ii) Is proven to have undergone the types of surgery described in Medical Events 1) below (unless such surgery is excluded in the **schedule**), **we** will pay to **you** 25% of the Trauma Benefit specified in the **schedule**. The Trauma Benefit will thereafter be reduced by this payment. Only one payment for each **insured person** for this insured Event will be allowed under all Policies issued by **us**. Provided that the **insured person** survives a period in excess of 30 days from the date of surgery.

#### **Medical Events**

Angioplasty: The undergoing of angioplasty to correct 70% obstruction of two or more arteries; or to correct stenotic heart valve disease. Any claim must be supported by documentation from an appropriate consultant holding such an appointment at a major hospital and include pre- and post-procedure angiograms, and the disease must be considered uncontrollable by noninvasive medical therapy. The procedures of balloon angioplasty or balloon valvuloplasty, excimer laser, rotablation, stents and directional atherectomy are specifically included.



- 2) Aorta Surgery: Undergoing surgery for disease of the aorta needing excision and surgical replacement of a portion of the diseased aorta with a graft. For this definition, gorta means the thoracic and abdominal aorta but not its branches.
- 3) Benign Brain Tumour: A non-malignant tumour in the brain resulting in permanent deficit to the neurological system. Tumours or lesions in the pituitary gland are not covered.
- 4) Cancer: A malignant tumour characterised by the uncontrolled growth and spread of malignant cells and invasion of tissue. The term cancer includes Leukemia and Hodgkin's disease but the following cancers are excluded:
  - All tumours which are histologically described as premalignant, as non-invasive or as cancer in situ.
  - All forms of lymphoma in the presence of any Human Immunodeficiency Virus.
  - Kaposi's Sarcoma in the presence of any Human Immunodeficiency Virus and any skin cancer other than malignant melanoma.
- 5) Coronary Artery By-Pass Surgery: The undergoing of open heart surgery on the advice of a Consultant Cardiologist to correct narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with by-pass grafts but excluding balloon angioplasty, laser relief or any other procedures.
- **Heart Attack:** The death of a portion of the heart muscle as a result of inadequate blood supply as evidenced by an episode of typical chest pain, new electrocardiograph changes and by the elevation of cardiac enzymes. The evidence must be consistent with the diagnosis of heart attack.
- 7) Heart Valve replacement or repair: Undergoing open-heart surgery from

- medical necessity to replace or repair one or more heart valves
- **8) Kidney Failure:** End stage renal failure presenting as chronic irreversible failure of both kidneys to function, as a result of which either regular renal dialysis or renal transplant is initiated.
- 9) Major Organ Transplant: The actual undergoing as a recipient of, or inclusion on an official hospital waiting list for, a transplant of a heart, liver, lung, pancreas or bone marrow.
- **10) Multiple Sclerosis:** A definite diagnosis by a Consultant Neurologist of Multiple Sclerosis which satisfies all of the following criteria:
  - There must be current impairment of motor or sensory function, which must have persisted for a continuous period of at least six months.
  - ii) The diagnosis must be confirmed by diagnostic techniques current at the time of the claim.
- 11) Stroke: A cerebrovascular incident resulting in permanent neurological damage. Included herein shall be infarction of brain tissue, intercranial and/or subarachnoid hemorrhage and embolisation from an extracranial source. Transient Ischemic Attacks are specifically excluded.

In the event of a claim:

**Proof of Illness**: The payment of any Benefits will be subject to the provision of such evidence, medical or otherwise, we may require. The cost of providing such evidence will be met by you except where any special investigation is required, in which case the costs of that will be met by US.

**Diagnosis means:** Diagnosis by a registered medical practitioner, supported by clinical radiological, histological and laboratory evidence, acceptable to us.



we shall compensate you in respect of any one insured person only once in respect of any one illness.

Exclusions applicable to this Product only

Benefits will not be payable if a claim results directly or indirectly from any injury or **illness** arising from:

- a. Taking part in boxing, caving, climbing, horseracing, martial arts, mountaineering, pot-holing, underwater diving, yacht racing or in any race, trial, practice or timed motor sport.
- b. Unreasonable failure to follow medical advice.
- c. Infection with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) or conditions due to Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).
- d. The **insured person** suffering from any Nervous or Mental And/Or Psychiatric Disorders.

# Special Provision applicable to this Product only

- 1) A three-month waiting period applies to the following Medical Events, starting from the later of the date all cover commenced under this Policy and the date you elected to include this Benefit under your Policy:
  - Cancer;
  - Stroke:
  - Heart attack:
  - Coronary Artery By-Pass Surgery;
  - Angioplasty
- 2) We will waive this three-month waiting period if, immediately prior to the commencement of cover, another insurer covered you for the same specified Medical Events and you have transferred **your** cover to **us** (and the transfer was not within the other insurer's three-month period). The waiver will only apply up to the level of trauma cover that you had with the other insurer.

3) Should **you** reinstate **your** cover at any time, the three- month period will recommence from the date of reinstatement.

#### **Maximum Benefit**

The Maximum Benefit is specified in the **schedule** for all Medical Events other than the following, whereby these specified Medical Events will have a Maximum Benefit of 50% of the Maximum Benefit specified in the schedule:

- Cancer;
- Stroke:
- Heart attack:
- Coronary Artery By-Pass Surgery;
- **Angioplasty**

#### **Definitions Applicable to this Product:**

"Pre-Existing Illness" means any medical condition, side-effect or symptoms of a condition which the **insured person** has received medical attention, sought or received treatment, undergone tests or taken prescribed medication for in the three (3) years prior to that **insured person's** Effective Date of Individual Cover. Such medical condition will remain uninsured until the expiry of three consecutive years from the cessation of any treatment, advice or recommendation from a medical practitioner.

#### 1. **DEFINITIONS**

These defined words phrases have the following meanings throughout and are in addition to those listed in the General Definitions for this contract of insurance as a whole.

"Accidental Death" means an injury which occurs while this insurance is in place, results in the death of the **insured person** and the death occurs within 12 months of the date of the injury.



- "Actively at Work" means when an insured person is considered to be genuinely performing all the duties of their normal occupation and capable of working their usual hours without restriction. An insured person who is on paid annual leave, paid sick leave, paid long service leave, paid parental leave and all employer-approved unpaid leave shall also be considered to be actively at work provided;
  - That leave is not in connection to the injury or illness that leads to the Disablement; and
  - They were **actively at work** for the full week prior to that leave
- "Base Salary" means the insured person's salary only, including all overtime, all bonuses and all allowances actually paid to the insured person.
- **"Blue Collar"** means a person who is employed to perform manual and/or physical duties in a factory or similar environment or a person who does not fit within the definition of White Collar on page 33.

#### "Close relative"

A spouse, fiancé(e), parent, parent-in-law, brother, sister, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, son or daughter.

"Continuous Cover" means an unbroken period of time that an insured person has been covered under an income Protection policy provided to you. If an insured person ceases cover, their continuous cover period ends on the date they cease to be covered under an Income Protection policy provided to you. If an insured person recommences cover under an Income Protection policy provided to you, their new continuous cover period commences on the date their cover recommences.

#### "Country of domicile"

The country in which the **insured person** is normally residing for work and/or lifestyle purposes prior to the commencement of a trip.

- "Degenerative condition" means a continuous, progressive, degenerative change to any tissue or organ over time.
- **"Elective Surgery"** means if, on the advice of a **medical practitioner**, **you** have elective surgery to:
- transplant part of **your** body to someone else, or
- improve your appearance, where a benefit would otherwise have been payable except that your total disability was due to the surgery, rather than an illness or injury.
- "Employer" means a person, partnership or company who employs an insured person.
- **"Event"** means all individual losses arising out of and directly caused by the same cause within the period of 24 consecutive hours and within a 15km radius from the cause. Individual losses outside of such period or radius shall not be considered.
- "Homemakers Assistance" means any professional non-medical and non-nursing assistance required to complete the Homemaker Duties.
- "Homemaker Duties" means the domestic tasks normally performed by a person who does not work for monetary reward and whose primary responsibility is tending the home and family. These duties may include cleaning, washing, cooking and tending to the needs of children and pets.
- "Immediate Family Member" means spouse, parents, grandparents, children (including adopted children and stepchildren), grandchildren, siblings and immediate in-laws (mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law & sister-in-law).
- "Income" means the base salary before personal deductions and income tax which was earned from personal exertion from his or her normal occupation during the (52) week period immediately preceding the last pay period prior to the injury or illness, resulting in payment of Benefits covered by this Policy.



"Illness" means any illness or disease which the **insured person** first becomes aware of while this insurance is in force and which continues for a period of not less than the waiting period from the date of commencement of medical treatment by a **medical practitioner** and excludes any pre-existing illness.

"Injury" means a physical injury caused by a violent, external and visible means which occurs fortuitously at an identifiable time and place whilst this insurance is in force and which results in payment of any of the Benefits specified in the Policy, within 12 calendar months from the date of its occurrence but does not include any condition which is also an illness.

This policy shall also cover claims arising out of **injury** which:

- a) is caused by exposure to the elements as the result of an accident covered hereunder, and
- b) results directly from an accident which occurs during the performance of the insured person's required duties in compliance with their contract of employment.

"Insured Person" means a person for whom Premiums have been paid by the Policy Holder to **us**. Cover under the Policy for an **insured person** shall start from the commencement date of the Policy Period and for a new insured person, from the date the Premium instalment payment commences for that insured person.

"Insured Events" means injury and illness as defined in this Policy.

#### "Loss of a limb"

Permanent loss by physical separation of a hand at or above the wrist or of a foot at or above the ankle and includes permanent total and irrecoverable loss of use of hand, arm or leg.

#### "Medical practitioner"

A registered, qualified, practicing member of the medical profession, who is not related to the insured person or to you (if appropriate).

"Nervous or Mental and/or Psychiatric Disorders" means any medically recognised condition which includes any form neurotic or psychotic condition or behavioural disorder or emotional disease due to any cause. Conditions may include, but are not limited to psychiatric disorders, manic disorders, paranoia, schizophrenia, personality disorders, depression, or anxiety or any disorder generally denoting one of the following:

- a disease of the mind or personality, evidenced by abnormal behaviour symptoms:
- a disease of the mind or personality, evidenced by abnormal behaviour; or
- a disorder of conduct evidenced by socially deviant behaviour.

Mental and Psychiatric Disorders do not include Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Multiple Sclerosis or other progressive neurological diseases.

"Normal Occupation" means your most recent occupation prior to the **injury** or illness that led to your disability. If the insured person had more than one occupation, it would be that which the majority of their income is derived from.

"Other Occupation" means you are incapable of working in any occupation for which you have the education, training and experience, which lasts for at least twelve months and at the end of that period is beyond hope of improvement.

"Partial Disablement" means that as a result of an injury or illness an insured **person** is prevented from engaging in a substantial part of his or her usual occupation with their employer in Australia. The **insured person** must be actively at work at the time the said injury or illness occurs and must be under the regular care of and acting in accordance with the instructions or professional advice of a medical practitioner other than the insured person.

If during such disablement, the **insured** person is able to return to work in a reduced capacity then the compensation payable shall be calculated as the



difference between their earnings from reduced work capacity and their predisability income, multiplied by the benefit for total disablement.

if the **insured person** is able to return to work in a reduced capacity, and that work is available but the **insured person** declines to do so or has resigned and would otherwise have been fit for light duties, then the compensation payable will be reduced to 25% of the compensation for total disablement per week.

- "Policy Holder" means the Individual, Company or Organisation named in the schedule.
- "Policy Period" means the period specified in the schedule.
- "**Premium**" means the monetary amount calculated in accordance with the **schedule**.
- **"Premium Due Date"** means the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month, payable monthly in arrears.
- "Professional Sport" means participating in any sporting activity including training for that activity where the insured person earns more than 50% (including any sponsorship they receive) of their annual gross income from that activity.
- **"Smoker"** means the person has smoked tobacco or any substance in any form in the 12 months immediately before completion of this application for insurance.
- Spouse/Partner means the insured person's husband or wife and includes a de-facto and/or life partner with whom the insured person has continuously cohabited for a period of six (6) months or more and is residing with the insured person in the Country of Assignment.
- **"Statutory Benefit"** means a weekly benefit payment to an **insured person** from a relevant Workers Compensation insurer or authority, make-up pay cover or as a result of a transport accident.

- "Reasonable funeral expenses" means the expenses incurred for the provision of coffin/urn/casket, professional services (i.e. advice, support, documentation, guidance and liaison), burial services (i.e. care, preparation and presentation of the deceased), ceremony fees, hearse hire, funeral limousine hire, church fees, floral tributes, internment of ashes, minister's / officiates fees, and funeral personnel.
- "Serious Medical Condition" means one of the following conditions: - Dementia; Motor Neuron Disease; Multiple Sclerosis; Primary Pulmonary Hypertension; Permanent Paralysis; Parkinson Disease; Stroke; Total Blindness; Total Deafness; Total Loss of Limb.

#### "Total Permanent Disablement"

Disablement which entirely prevents the **insured person** from attending to their **normal occupation** and which lasts twelve months and at the end of that period is beyond hope of improvement.

- "Total temporary disablement" means disablement which entirely prevents the **insured person** from attending to their business or occupation.
- "Waiting Period" means the continuous period stated in the schedule before a Benefit is payable, commencing with the first day of total or partial disablement, as certified by a medical practitioner, other than the insured member. if the insured member returns to work during the waiting period, the waiting period starts again unless they return to work once and for a period of no more than 5 consecutive days, as certified by a medical practitioner.
- **"White Collar"** means a person who performs only non-manual duties and works at least 75% of the time in an office environment and has done so for the last 12 months.



# 2. GENERAL EXCLUSIONS (applicable to all Sections of the Policy)

This Policy does not cover claims in any way caused or contributed to by:

- the insured person's deliberate exposure to exceptional danger (except in an attempt to save human life) other than as trained for the operation undertaken in accordance with the contract of employment
- any war, whether war be declared or not, hostilities or rebellion, civil war, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, invasion, act of foreign enemy
- 3. intentional self-inflicted **injury** or **illness**, suicide or attempted suicide
- 4. Pregnancy, childbirth or miscarriage, other than a complication arising from any of those conditions, which requires hospitalisation in the first thirty-three (33) weeks of pregnancy. No Benefit shall be payable during any period of maternity leave or for any complications arising after the thirty-third week of pregnancy.
- 5. any professional sporting activities
- 6. a criminal act committed by an **insured person**
- 7. any pre-existing illness
- 8. Any **injury** that occurs prior to the policy's commencement date
- Elective surgery, unless you have purchased the Additional Benefits Bundle under the Income Protection section of this Policy.
- 10. the insured person being under the influence of extreme influence of intoxicating liquor or having taken an illegal drug. For the purposes of this exclusion extreme influence shall be considered to be a Blood Alcohol Concentration of 0.05% and above when the insured person is driving a motor vehicle and 0.10% and above at all other times.

In the absence of a Blood Alcohol Concentration test being conducted at the time of the incident, **we** will rely on the opinion of the treating hospital and/or **medical practitioner**.

- 11. An event that first occurs where an insured person travels to a country or parts of a country after the date the Australian Government (DFAT) has listed the area as 'Level 3: Reconsider your need to travel' or 'Level 4: Do not travel' travel warning has been issued, or an evacuation has been coordinated.
- GENERAL SPECIAL PROVISIONS (applicable to all Sections of the Policy)
- 1. If **we** become liable for any taxes or duties levied by the Federal or any state government, other than those already included in the Agreed Premium Rate, then **we** reserve the right to increase the Agreed Premium Rate to cover any increase in taxes or duties. If any taxes or duties are decreased, **we** will decrease the Agreed Premium Rate in line with any decrease in any taxes and duties.
- 2. If any provision of this Policy is held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this Policy will remain in full force and effect. Any provision of this Policy held invalid or unenforceable only in part or degree will remain in full force and effect to the extent not held invalid or unenforceable.
- Compensation shall not be payable beyond the date of an insured person's death, other than for an Accidental Death benefit payment.



- Compensation shall not be payable beyond an insured person's 70th birthday, unless otherwise agreed by us and stated in the schedule.
- Having more than one Benefit payable If **you** have selected a product that has more than one Benefit type payable for the same injury or illness and the same period of Disablement, you will be entitled to these Benefits in the following way:
  - TPD Full Benefit
  - TTD & PTD Combined maximum benefit period of 260 weeks
  - 6. So, your TTD & PTD benefit will be paid in full and you would be entitled to also claim your full TPD benefit, provided your claim under each benefit type is successful.



# 4. INSURANCE IN SUPERANNUATION

## **Taxation Implications**

#### **Income Protection**

Outside of super - Premiums paid for income protection insurance policies held outside of superannuation are tax deductible.

Inside of super - Payments for income protection insurance policies held inside superannuation are not tax-deductible when insurance premiums are deducted from your super contributions.

A claim paid in respect of weekly disability benefits is subject to personal income tax and it is your responsibility to declare such benefit when completing your usual tax return.

### Total Permanent Disablement (TPD)

The premium you pay for TPD insurance is generally not tax-deductible A TPD benefit payment is tax-deductible. When held inside superannuation, the tax treatment for TPD insurance premiums will vary depending on:

- whether or not the policy meets the definition of a "disability super benefit" condition
- whether it is a **normal occupation** (sometimes known as 'own occupation') or other occupation (sometimes known as 'any occupation') TPD policy
- if it is bundled with death cover

#### **Accidental Death**

For policies provided through a superannuation fund, preiums paid for selfemployed persons can be tax-deductible. However, for standalone polices that are not held within superannuation, premiums are generally not tax-deductible.

Please consult a tax consultant for questions & advice about your particular circumstances.

#### Insurance Inside your SMSF

When you buy insurance inside super the policy is held by a trustee of a superannuation fund and you are a



member of the fund and an insured under the policy. Insurance inside super is governed by superannuation law and the rules of the superannuation fund.

The following table helps explain the different arrangements:

Who is the Owner of the Policy?	The trustee of a Self-Managed Super Fund (SMSF)
Who is The Insured?	A member of the nominated SMSF
Who does 'You' refer to in the Policy?	The Policy Owner

If you want to buy insurance inside super, you have your SMSF purchase the product. The trustee of your SMSF buys the insurance policy from us and holds the policy on your behalf. The payment of premiums must be sourced from super and it's the SMSF trustee's responsibility to ensure this happens.

#### Why buy insurance inside your SMSF?

The main benefit is that you can pay your premiums using pre-tax income paid as a contribution to the super fund or with rollover money from another super fund. This can help improve cash flow. Premiums must be paid by the SMSF out of the fund's superannuation moneys.

Your financial adviser can help you decide whether to take your cover inside super.

#### **Policy Ownership**

Generally, the only person who can effect changes, or be paid a benefit, under the policy is the Policy Owner. The Policy Owner is the only person we'll deal with in relation to the policy.

The person who is covered under this policy is usually also the owner of the policy. we do allow the Policy Owner to be a company, trust or SMSF if the person who is to be covered under the policy has a controlling Interest in the company, trust or SMSF.

#### **How SMSF Insurance works**

Our product is specifically designed to provide insurance cover to a SMSF with the SMSF trustee(s) as the policy owner. As the policy provides insurance inside the superannuation environment, the core benefits under our SMSF product are limited to Accidental Death, TPD and Income Protection cover.

Before choosing your insurance it's important to understand the combinations that WE have made available to you.

#### **Choice of TPD definition**

We can only offer you the other occupation TPD definition as a normal occupation TPD definition is not available for insurance inside a SMSF.

#### **Occupational Groups**

The type of work you do affects how much premium is payable. When you complete your application, you will be asked what type of occupational category you work in. The following options are available:

- White Collar a person who performs only non-manual duties and works at least 75% of the time in an office environment and has done so for the last 12 months.
- Blue Collar a person who is employed to perform manual and/or physical duties in a factory or similar environment or a person who does not fit within the definition of White Collar above.

The premium rates are calculated based on your selection.

# And remember your financial adviser can help too

Choosing the right combination of cover and policies can be confusing. **Your** adviser can help you work out how best to structure **your** SMSF cover, including the type of policies **you** need and the sums insured to ensure it meets **your** needs.



# 5. CLAIMS NOTIFICATION

Before you notify a claim or an event which could lead to a claim please:

- a) Check your schedule to ensure you have purchased the appropriate Policy and
- b) Check the cover and exclusions to ensure that **you** are entitled to claim.

#### Please also:

- make sure that you follow any instructions or advice given to you and
- complete and return any relevant claim that is provided and
- send any other documentary evidence in support of the claim that we require.

#### 1. Notice of claim:

Notice must be given to us as soon as reasonably practicable of any injury or illness which causes or may cause a claim within the meaning of this policy, and the insured person must as early as possible seek the attention of a medical practitioner.

Notice must be given to us as soon as reasonably practicable in the event of the death of the insured person resulting or alleged to result from an injury.

#### 2. Claims Procedure:

a) Written notice must be given to:

Telephone: 1800 931 330

New claims: newclaimsAH@eml.com.au Info email: EMLplusclaims@eml.com.au Address: **Employers Mutual Limited** Level 3, 345 George St

Sydney, NSW, 2000

Website:

https://www.eml.com.au/what-weoffer/our-specialist-services/accidenthealth/

or such other address as we may advise you in writing.

b) All certificates and evidence (subject to clause c) below) required by us shall be furnished as required at the insured person's expense as often as is

reasonably required. For all claims relating to stress/depression, the insured person will be required to provide such certificates and evidence from a legally qualified Psychiatrist / Psychologist for that condition.

- c) In order to assess a claim an insured person shall submit to a medical examination:
  - i. If outside Australia the **insured person**'s may be required to return to Australia at their expense. Once having returned to Australia, the medical examination will be at our expense as often as is required.
  - ii. If in Australia at **our** expense as often as is required
  - iii. If an **insured person** fails to attend a medical examination:
    - the cost of the examination as charged by the examiner will be deducted from any benefit payment;
    - the Benefit payments will cease until such time as the insured person submit to the examination and they are certified as meeting the definition of Disablement.

#### **Proof of Claim**

Proof of Claim must be furnished to us within ninety (90) days after the date of the **injury/illness**. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it was not reasonably possible to do so, provided that the proof is furnished as soon as is reasonably possible and in no event except in the absence of legal capacity, later than 24 calendar months from the time it would normally be required.

# **Report of Claim**

We will, upon receipt of a notice of claim, furnish such forms as are usually required by us for filing Proof of Claim.



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