# E-TRADE COMMERCIAL COMBINED

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# WELCOME

# to Covéa Insurance

Thank you for choosing Covéa Insurance.

This is **Your** e-Trade Commercial Combined policy. It sets out the details of **Your** insurance contract with **Us**.

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

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

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

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# INTRODUCTION

# About Your Policy

The parts of the policy are:

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

Any word or expression given a specific meaning in:

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

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

In return for **You** having paid or agreed to pay the premium for the **Period of Insurance**, **We** will indemnify **You**, subject to the terms contained in or endorsed on the policy, in respect of loss, **Damage** or liability, or pay other benefits which fall within the operative Sections of this policy, provided that the loss, **Damage** or injury which gives rise to the claim occurs (or in the case of Section 10: Employers' Liability is caused) during the **Period of Insurance** and in connection with the **Business**.

# IMPORTANT

This policy is a legal contract.

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

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

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

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

# How to make a Claim

#### (Other than Section 13: Commercial Legal Expenses)

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

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

You can notify Us of a claim by:

Telephone: 0330 024 2266

Calls may be recorded for training and evidential purposes.

#### Email: newcommercialclaims@coveainsurance.co.uk

### Post: Covéa Insurance Commercial Claims, A&B Mills, Dean Clough, Halifax, HX3 5AX

Staff trained in managing commercial claims will:

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

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

If **Your** policy includes Section 13: Commercial Legal Expenses please refer to that Section of the policy for details about Making a Claim and the dedicated Commercial Legal Expenses telephone reporting line.

# Helplines

To take advantage of the following services please telephone **0330 024 2364** and quote TS5/6912401.

To help DAS check and improve their service standards, they may record all calls.

# Legal Advice Helpline

As a Covéa Insurance **Policyholder** should **You** require advice on any **Business** legal problem, **You** may use the 24 hour telephone helpline at any time within the **Period of Insurance** of this policy. This service is provided for **Your** benefit by DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited. These services are provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, however they may need to arrange to call **You** back depending on **Your** enquiry.

# Euro Legal Advice Helpline

This will give **You** confidential legal advice over the phone on any commercial legal problem affecting **Your Business**, under the laws of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, any European Union country, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Switzerland and Norway.

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

The Legal Advisors provide advice on the laws of England and Wales 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Where advice is sought in an area of law beyond this jurisdiction or in respect of very specialist matters, they will refer **You** to one of their specialist advisors.

Specialist advice is provided 9am – 5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding public and bank holidays. If calls are made outside these times, they will call **You** back within the operating hours.

# Tax Advice Helpline

This will give **You** confidential advice over the phone on any tax matters affecting **Your Business**, under the laws of the United Kingdom. This is provided by tax advisors 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding public and bank holidays. If calls are made outside these times, they will call **You** back.

# **Business Assistance**

In the event of an unforeseen emergency affecting **Your Premises** which causes damage or potential danger, DAS will contact a suitable repairer or contractor and arrange assistance on **Your** behalf. All costs of assistance provided are **Your** responsibility.

Telephone: 0117 934 0192.

### Counselling

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

#### Telephone: 0330 134 8165

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

# **Important Information**

#### Choice of Law

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

#### How to make a Complaint

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

Alternatively please contact **Us** using the following details quoting **Your** policy or claim number.

#### Customer Relations, Covéa Insurance, A & B Mills, Dean Clough, Halifax, HX3 5AX

#### Telephone: 0330 221 0444

Calls may be recorded for training and evidential purposes.

#### Website: www.coveainsurance.co.uk

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

If **Your** policy includes Section 13: Commercial Legal Expenses please refer to that Section of the policy for details on How to Make a Complaint.

#### **Financial Ombudsman Service**

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

#### Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR

#### Telephone: 0800 023 4567

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

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

#### **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

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

Further information is available from the:

### Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London, EC3A 7QU

Telephone: 020 7741 4100

Website: www.fscs.org.uk

Email: enquiries@fscs.org.uk

#### How We Use Your Information

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

The personal information, provided by **You**, is collected by or on behalf of Covea Insurance plc ('**We**, **Us**, **Our**') and may be used by **Us**, **Our** employees, agents and service providers acting

under **Our** instruction for the purposes of insurance administration, underwriting, claims handling, for research or for statistical purposes.

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

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

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

# How We Share Your Information

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

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

# Marketing

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

### Fraud Prevention and Detection

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

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

#### **Automated Decisions**

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

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

#### How to Contact Us

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

#### Email: dataprotection@coveainsurance.co.uk

If **Your** policy includes Section 13: Commercial Legal Expenses please refer to that Section of the policy for details of how **Your** personal information is processed.

# Employers' Liability Tracing Office

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

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

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

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

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

# **Registration and Regulatory Information**

This insurance is provided by Covea Insurance plc. Covea Insurance plc is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Registration Number 202277. Registered Office: A & B Mills, Dean Clough, Halifax, HX3 5AX. Registered in England and Wales Number 613259

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

# **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

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

# **Bodily Injury**

Death, injury, illness, disease or shock.

# **Buildings**

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

- 1. outbuildings
- 2. permanent fixtures and fittings including alarm systems
- 3. foundations, extensions, annexes, gangways, conveniences and sub-stations
- 4. car parks, driveways, paths, steps, roadways and yards
- 5. walls, gates and fences
- 6. piping, ducting, cabling and control gear
- 7. fuel tanks, telephone, gas, water and electric meters, fibre optic or integrated services, digital network lines
- 8. sanitary ware, fixed glass, fanlights, skylights and partitions, solar panels and wind turbines
- 9. air conditioning and central heating systems
- 10. underground services.

# **Business**

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

- 1. the ownership, repair and maintenance of the **Premises**
- 2. the provision of first aid, medical and ambulance, fire and security services
- 3. private work undertaken by any **Employee** with **Your** prior consent for any director, partner, senior official or other **Employee** of **Yours**
- 4. the provision and management of canteen, sports, social and welfare organisations by **You** for the benefit of **Your Employees**
- 5. Your participation in exhibitions.

# **Business Hours**

The period during which the **Premises** are occupied by **You** or **Your** authorised **Employees** for the purposes of the **Business**.

# Damage

Accidental loss, destruction or damage unless otherwise excluded.

# **Defined Peril**

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

# Employee

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

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

# Europe

The **Territorial Limits**, any member country of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

#### Excess

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

# **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

### **Intruder Alarm Installation**

The component parts of the alarm including the means of communication used to transmit signals to the alarm receiving centre as detailed in the alarm specification.

# Keyholder

You or any person or keyholding company authorised by You who:

- 1. is available at all times to:
  - (a) accept notification of alarm signals or faults relating to the Intruder Alarm Installation
  - (b) attend and allow access to the **Premises**
- 2. has been fully trained in the operation of the **Intruder Alarm Installation**, including but not limited to the setting and unsetting of the installation.

# Money

Current currency, crossed and uncrossed bankers drafts, national giro drafts and payment orders, postal and money orders, dividend warrants and cheques other than pre-signed blank cheques, travellers cheques, national savings stamps and certificates, bus and rail travel cards and passes, telephone cards, current postage stamps and unused postal franking machine units, luncheon vouchers, gift tokens, trading stamps, national insurance stamps and stamped or impressed national insurance cards, holiday with pay stamps, premium bonds, VAT purchase invoices, credit card, cheque card and debit card sales vouchers, savings stamps, consumer redemption vouchers and National Lottery 'Instants' and other scratch cards, all pertaining to the Business and belonging to You or for which You are legally responsible.

# Overnight

Between the hours of 21.00 and 06.00.

# **Period of Insurance**

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

# Pollutants

Any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including but not limited to smoke, vapour, soot, fumes, acid, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes material to be recycled reconditioned or reclaimed.

### **Pollution or Contamination**

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

arising from **Pollutants**.

### Premises

The **Buildings** and the land inside the boundary of the risk address stated in the **Schedule** occupied by **You** for the purpose of the **Business**.

#### **Products**

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

# **Property Insured**

- 1. Buildings
- 2. Computer Equipment
- 3. Contents
- 4. Stock
- 5. Specified Stock
- 6. Tenants Improvements
- 7. or any other property

as specified in the Schedule.

#### **Responsible Person**

A person authorised by **You** to be responsible for the security of the **Premises**.

# **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

# Schedule

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

### **Statement of Fact**

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

### **Territorial Limits**

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

#### **Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings**

**Buildings** or part thereof that have become unoccupied, untenanted or which have not been actively used for a period of more than 30 days.

#### Vehicle

Any road vehicle including trailers and containers.

# We/Us/Our

Covea Insurance plc.

# Working Day of the Driver

The period in any day during which a **Vehicle** is being used for purposes in connection with the **Business**.

# You/Your/Policyholder

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

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

# 1. Acts of Parliament and Statutory Instruments

All legal instruments and rules referred to in this policy include any subsequent amendments or re-enactments of those Acts and any equivalent legislation which is enforceable within the **Territorial Limits**.

# 2. Alarm

This Condition applies to the following Sections of cover when shown as insured in **Your Schedule**:

- Section 1: Property Damage
- Section 2: Business Interruption
- Section 5: Specified All Risks items at **Your Premises**
- Section 6: Money and Assault

where **Your Schedule** shows Endorsement Number CO005 – Alarm Condition.

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability for any claim resulting from theft, attempted theft or malicious damage that where the **Premises** or part of the **Premises** are protected by an **Intruder Alarm Installation**:

- (a) such Intruder Alarm Installation:
  - (i) must not be altered or amended in any way, unless such alteration or amendment has been approved in writing by **Us**
  - (ii) must be maintained under contract with the installers, or as otherwise approved in writing by **Us**.
- (b) all keys to the Intruder Alarm Installation must be removed from the Premises when the Premises are unattended
- (c) You must:
  - (i) maintain the secrecy of codes for the operation of the Intruder Alarm Installation and no details of such codes to be left on the Premises when the Premises are unattended
  - (ii) immediately notify Us upon receipt of any communication giving notice that the level of response to the Intruder Alarm Installation has been or will be reduced or delayed

- (iii) appoint at least two **Keyholders** and lodge written details (which must be kept up to date) with the alarm company, the alarm receiving centre and the police
- (d) in the event of notification of:
  - (i) activation of the Intruder Alarm Installation
  - (ii) any fault in the Intruder Alarm Installation
  - (iii) interruption of the means to transmit or receive signals to or from the Intruder
     Alarm Installation during any period that the Intruder Alarm Installation is set

a **Keyholder** must attend the **Premises** as soon as possible

- (e) the Premises must not be left without at least one Responsible Person in attendance without Our agreement:
  - (i) unless the **Intruder Alarm Installation** is set in its entirety and with the means to transmit or receive signals (including the signalling path or paths) in full and effective operation
  - (ii) where police have withdrawn their response to:
    - an alarm activation (where the Intruder Alarm Installation does not include confirmed alarm activation technology)
    - a confirmed alarm activation, where the **Intruder Alarm Installation** included confirmed alarm activation technology.

# 3. Alteration in Risk

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

When **You** tell **Us** about an alteration in risk, **We** may apply additional terms and conditions to this policy (including but not limited to premium) or, if the risk is unacceptable to **Us**, **We** may cancel the policy in accordance with General Condition 5 (b) - Our Rights to Cancel the Policy.

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

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

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

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

# 4. Average

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

# 5. Cancellation

# (a) Your Rights to the Cancel the Policy

You may cancel this policy at any time from the date it begins or from the date You receive this policy document and Schedule, whichever is the later, returning the policy document and Schedule to Your broker. If cover has not yet started You will receive a full refund of the premium. If cover has started We will refund the premium for the exact number of days left on the policy. No refund will be given if a claim has been submitted or there have been any incidents likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance.

# (b) Our Rights to Cancel the Policy

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

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

(i) not

- paying a premium when it is due
- co-operating with Us, or sending Us information or documentation that materially affects Our ability to process the policy or Our ability to defend Our interests
- taking all reasonable precautions to prevent or minimise **Damage**, accident or injury as required by General Condition 12. Reasonable Precautions of this policy

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

- use of threatening or abusive behaviour or language, or intimidation or bullying of **Our** staff or suppliers.
- (iii) not
  - giving **Us** access to **Your Premises** when **We** have asked to carry out a risk survey
  - complying with any risk improvements required by **Us** following a survey within the timescales specified.

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

If **You** are paying by monthly instalments:

- (a) all outstanding monies must be paid to **Us** as described in **Your** Loan Agreement
- (b) We may exercise **Our** right to collect the balance of any outstanding premium in the event of a claim.

# 6. Change of Risk or Interest

This policy shall be avoided if:

- (a) Your interest ceases other than by death
- (b) the **Business** be wound up or carried on by a liquidator or receiver or permanently discontinued

at any time after the commencement of this insurance unless **We** have accepted the change.

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

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

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

# 8. Fair Presentation of the Risk

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

If **You** fail to make a fair presentation of the risk including failing to disclose or misrepresenting a material fact, or disclosing material facts to **Us** in a way which is not clear and accessible **We** may avoid this policy and refuse all claims where:

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

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

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

policy is treated as not having existed or require **You** to repay such claims.

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

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

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

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

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

# 9. Instalments

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

# 10. Minimum Security Standards

This Condition is applicable to the following Sections of cover when shown as insured in **Your Schedule**:

- Section 1: Property Damage
- Section 2: Business Interruption
- Section 5: Specified All Risks items at **Your Premises**
- Section 6: Money and Assault

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability for any claim resulting from theft, attempted theft or malicious damage that the following security measures or any alternatives that **We** agree to in writing are installed and activated at the **Premises** whenever the **Premises** are closed for **Business** or left unattended:

# Doors

(a) Up and Over Doors

sectional up and over doors must be secured by a padlock conforming to CEN Grade 4 inserted through a hole drilled into each guide channel approximately 25mm above the guide roller.

(b) Steel roller shutters

each shutter must be secured by two security shutter locks, locking mechanisms should be positioned as close as possible to the bottom of the door to prevent the shutter being prised up at the bottom to gain entry, alternatively a closed shackle padlock conforming to CEN Grade 4 with matching locking bar may be utilised.

(c) Aluminium doors

single leaf doors should be fitted with a cylinder mortice deadlock. Double leaf doors should have the standing leaf secured with flush bolts and the opening leaf secured with a cylinder mortice deadlock with a hook bolt mechanism.

(d) Outward opening doors

the hinge side of the door must be protected by hinge covers such as dog bolts or equivalent fitted approximately 400mm from the top and bottom of the door.

(e) Fire exit doors

must be protected on the outside by a sheet of steel minimum thickness 1.6mm fixed to the top, bottom and side rails of the door by either nonreturn screws or coach bolts at 150mm centres. Bolt heads must be on the outside of the door(s). If the door(s) is/are outward opening the steel must overlap the frame on the locking side to prevent the door being prised open between the door and the frame. In addition two hinge bolts must be fitted to the hinge side of the door approximately 400mm from the top and bottom of the door.

(f) Double doors

standing leaf must be secured with two flush bolts or two mortice rack bolts. Opening leaf of timber doors must be secured with a deadlock conforming to BS3621 with a manufacturers matching striking plate. Opening leaf of aluminium doors must be fitted with a cylinder mortice deadlock with hook bolt mechanism.

(g) Doors not otherwise specified

must be secured with a deadlock conforming to BS3621 with manufacturers matching striking plate.

# Windows

All accessible opening windows must be fitted with key operated locks or protected internally or externally by solid steel bar grille(s) secured within a hardened or galvanised steel frame unless officially designated as a fire escape by the fire and rescue authority. Each side of the frame must be secured to the brickwork surrounding the window by either Rawlbolts at 300mm intervals or non-return screws at 150mm intervals.

If **You** do not have key operated window locks and are required by **Us** to protect **Your** windows with solid steel bar grille(s) **You** must ensure that:

- (i) the bars are of a minimum diameter of 19mm and no further apart than 125mm
- (ii) the bars are welded to or pass through tie bars of steel of at least 6mm dimension thick x 40mm wide and the distance between the tie bars must not exceed 600mm
- (iii) the tie bars are secured to the wall surrounding the window at a minimum of four points by expansion bolts of at least M8 size which penetrate the masonry or brickwork by at least 60mm and Bolt holes must be set back at least 60mm from the edge of the window opening

if the bars are fixed externally the heads of the bolts must be welded to the tie bars to prevent them being undone. Any alternative specification or fixing methods must be agreed by **Us** in writing prior to fitting.

# 11. Other interests

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

# 12. Reasonable Precautions

# You must:

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

# 13. Reinstatement of Sum Insured

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

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

# 14. Sanctions

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

# 15. Security

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability for any claim resulting from fire, theft or malicious damage, that **You** must at all times ensure that:

- (a) security devices are put into full and effective operation whenever the **Premises** are closed for **Business** or left unattended
- (b) keys and all details of any codes or combinations relating to any part of the Intruder Alarm Installation and any safe or strongroom are removed from the Premises whenever the Premises are closed for Business or left unattended
- (c) fire break doors and shutters in the **Buildings** are maintained in efficient working order and that the openings protected by such doors and shutters are kept clear of obstruction at all times and that all such doors and shutters other than those fitted with fusible links are kept closed except during **Business Hours**
- (d) alterations or additions to or changes in or removal of security devices are advised to **Us** immediately.

# 16. Survey and Risk Improvement

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

- (a) as required by Us, We will be allowed access to the **Premises** to carry out a survey either:
  - (i) after inception of this policy
  - (ii) prior to or post renewal of this policy; or
  - (iii) the date **We** confirm cover in respect of an alteration made to this policy
- (b) You will in respect of such survey:
  - (i) supply an appropriate contact name, contact telephone number and email address (where appropriate) to facilitate the survey
  - (ii) co-operate fully with **Us** during the visit on the agreed date(s); and
  - (iii) implement any risk improvement requirements set out in a risk improvement report forwarded after survey to You by Us, within the timescales specified therein and all risk improvement requirements remain in place and fully operational throughout the currency of this policy.

We reserve the right to amend terms, Definitions, Conditions, Clauses, Exclusions and premium, of this policy, or withdraw cover under this policy if **You** fail to comply with any of the above. If **We** exercise any of the above options, **We** will advise **You** in writing confirming the action being taken.

# 17. Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that where there are **Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings You** will notify **Us**:

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

The following action must be implemented by You:

- an internal and external inspection of the Buildings every 7 days by You or an authorised representative and a written record of such inspections maintained
- (ii) all trade refuse and waste materials are removed from the interior of the **Buildings** and no accumulation of refuse and waste be allowed in the adjoining yards or spaces owned by **You**
- (iii) the **Buildings** must be secured against unlawful entry and all locks bolts and other protective devices in full operation
- (iv) all ground floor window openings must be securely fastened and if specified by Us in writing boarded up in accordance with Our requirements
- (v) ensure all letterboxes are sealed to prevent insertion of material
- (vi) all sources of power fuel or water are turned off and the water system drained down other than:
  - where electricity is needed to maintain any fire or **Intruder Alarm Installation** in operation
  - where the **Buildings** are protected by a wet sprinkler installation to provide sufficient heat to prevent freezing or bursting of the sprinkler installation.

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

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

# **CLAIMS CONDITIONS**

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

# 1. Claims Procedure

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that following an incident that may result in a claim under this policy:

- (a) You must advise the police as soon as reasonably possible if there has been a theft, attempted theft, riot damage, vandalism or any malicious act or if any Property Insured has been lost outside the Premises
- (b) You must notify Us:
  - (i) within 28 days of the event in the case of Damage caused by riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons
  - (ii) immediately:
    - in respect of all other claims
    - of any impending prosecution
    - of any inquest or fatal accident inquiry
- (c) You must provide Us with all documentation relating to any accident, claim, prosecution or court proceedings which must be sent to Us immediately, unacknowledged
- (d) You must not admit or repudiate liability without **Our** written consent
- (e) You must provide at Your own expense all details and evidence We may reasonably require
- (f) You must take all reasonable steps to mitigate the extent of any **Damage**
- (g) We are entitled to enter any building where Damage to Property Insured by this policy has occurred and to take possession of and deal with any salvage in a reasonable manner. No property may be abandoned to Us.

# 2. Fraudulent Claims

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

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

(a) will not pay the claim

- (b) may recover from You any sums already paid by Us in respect of the claim; and
- (c) may notify **You** that **We** are treating this policy as having terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.

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

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

Fraudulent claims include but are not limited to:

- (a) making a claim which is fraudulent, fictitious or known to be false
- (b) intentionally exaggerating or inflating a claim
- (c) supporting a claim with false or forged documents, information or statements
- (d) wilfully causing loss, **Damage** or injury.

# 3. Other Insurances

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

# 4. Subrogation

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

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

# 5. Terms not Relevant to Actual Loss

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

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

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

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

This policy does not cover:

# 1. War Government Action and Terrorism

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

For the purpose of this Exclusion and its Liability Provisions:

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

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

# Terrorism shall mean:

- (a) any act or preparation in respect of action or threat of action designed to influence the government de jure or de facto of any nation or any political division of any nation, or in pursuit of political, religious, ideological, or similar purposes to intimidate the public or a section of the public of any nation by any person or group of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation or government de jure or de facto and which:
  - (i) involves serious violence against a person
  - (ii) involves serious damage to property
  - (iii) endangers a person's life other than that of the person committing the action

- (iv) creates a serious risk to the health or safety of the public or a section of the public
- (v) is designed to interfere with or seriously disrupt an electronic system.
- (b) any action taken in controlling preventing suppressing or in any way relating to any act of Terrorism.

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

# Liability Provisions

Subject otherwise to the terms definitions exclusions provisions and conditions of this policy **We** will indemnify **You** under Section 10: Employers' Liability if insured under this policy provided that in respect of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of any one original cause **Our** liability in respect of all legal liability, costs and expenses directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from **Terrorism** shall not exceed £5,000,000.

We will indemnify You under Section 11: Public Liability and Section 12: Products Liability if insured under this policy against legal liability, costs and expenses directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from **Terrorism** provided that **Our** liability shall not exceed:

- (a) in respect of or arising out of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of one original cause £2,000,000 or the amount of the Limit of Indemnity shown in the Schedule whichever is the lower but in respect of Products this limitation shall apply to all insured events occurring in any one Period of Insurance
- (b) in respect of all Pollution or Contamination consequent upon Terrorism and which is deemed to have occurred during any one Period of Insurance £2,000,000 in the aggregate or the amount of the Limit of Indemnity shown in the Schedule whichever is the lower.

# 2. Radioactive Contamination

Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss or any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused or occasioned by or happening through or in consequence of:

- (a) ionising radiations from or contamination by radioactivity from any irradiated nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- (b) the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any nuclear installation, reactor or other nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof
- (c) any weapon or device employing atomic or nuclear fission and or fusion or other like reaction or radioactive force or matter
- (d) the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any radioactive matter, but the exclusion in this paragraph (d) shall not extend to radioactive isotopes other than nuclear fuel when such isotopes are being prepared, carried, stored or used for commercial, agricultural, medical, scientific or other similar peaceful purposes
- (e) any chemical biological bio-chemical or electromagnetic weapon

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

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

# 3. Sonic Bangs

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

# 4. Northern Ireland

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

# 5. Asbestos

# (not applicable to Section 10: Employers' Liability if insured by this policy)

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

# 6. Confiscation & Nationalisation

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

# 7. Electronic Risk

(not applicable to Section 10: Employers' Liability, Section 11: Public Liability and Section 12: Products Liability if insured by this policy)

- (a) Loss, damage, liability, claim, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with any:
  - (i) loss of, alteration of, or damage to or a reduction in the functionality, availability or operation of a Computer System, unless subject to the provisions of paragraph (b)
  - (ii) loss of use, reduction in functionality, repair, replacement, restoration or reproduction of any **Data**, including any amount pertaining to the value of such **Data** unless subject to the provisions of paragraph (c).
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) above, and subject to all terms, Conditions and Exclusions of this policy or any endorsement thereto, this policy covers physical damage to property insured under this policy and any consequential loss directly resulting therefrom where such physical damage is directly occasioned by any of the **Defined Perils** as described below.

(c) Notwithstanding sub paragraph (a) (ii) above, in the event that hardware or the Data storage device of a Computer System insured under this policy sustains physical damage caused by a Defined Peril which results in damage to or loss of **Data** stored on that hardware or the **Data** storage device, then the damage to or loss of such **Data** shall be recoverable hereunder and the basis of valuation for the recovery of the damaged or lost Data shall only be the costs of reproducing Data if such costs are indemnified under this policy. Such costs shall include all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in recreating, gathering or assembling such **Data**, but does not include the value of the Data to You or any other party even if such Data cannot be recreated, gathered or assembled.

For the purposes of this Exclusion the following Definitions apply:

**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.

**Data** means information, facts, concepts, code or any other information of any kind that is recorded or transmitted in a form to be used, accessed, processed, transmitted or stored by a **Computer System**.

**Defined Peril** means fire, lightning, explosion, aircraft or vehicle impact, falling objects, windstorm, hail, tornado, cyclone, hurricane, earthquake, volcano, tsunami, flood, freeze or weight of snow.

# 8. Marine

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

# 9. Pollution or Contamination

(not applicable to Section 10: Employers' Liability, Section 11: Public Liability and Section 12: Products Liability if insured by this policy)

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

- (a) pollution or contamination which itself results from a **Defined Peril**; or
- (b) a **Defined Peril** which itself results from pollution or contamination.

# 10. Unexplained Losses

Loss or damage caused by disappearance, unexplained loss, inventory shortage, misfiling or misplacing of information.

# 11. Communicable Disease

(not applicable to Section 10: Employers' Liability, Section 11: Public Liability and Section 12: Products Liability if insured by this policy)

- (a) any loss, damage, liability, claim, cost or expense of whatsoever nature, directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, arising out of, or in connection with:
  - (i) a Communicable Disease; or
  - (ii) the fear or threat (whether actual or perceived) of a **Communicable Disease**

regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence thereto.

The above exclusion includes, without limitation to the scope of the foregoing:

- 1. any cost to clean up, detoxify, remove, monitor or test:
  - (a) for a Communicable Disease; or
  - (b) any property insured hereunder that is affected by such **Communicable Disease**.

and

2. any measures taken by any governmental, public or other authority or any other person for the prevention, suppression, mitigation, cleaning or removal of any **Communicable Disease**.

- (b) However, paragraph (a) shall not apply to physical loss or destruction of, or physical damage to, property and any resulting consequential loss, to the extent that You establish that such physical loss, destruction or damage was directly caused by:
  - (i) Terrorism (as defined in this policy), or
  - (ii) a Defined Peril as described below

where specifically insured by this insurance.

All other terms, Conditions and Exclusions of the insurance remain the same.

For the purposes of this Exclusion the following Definitions apply:

**Communicable Disease** means any type of disease or illness which can be transmitted by means of any substance or agent from any organism to another organism where:

- (a) the substance or agent includes, but is not limited to, any pathogen, virus, bacterium, parasite or other organism or any variation thereof, whether deemed living or not, and
- (b) the method of transmission, whether direct or indirect, includes but is not limited to, airborne transmission, bodily fluid transmission, transmission from or to any surface or object, solid, liquid or gas, or between organisms, and
- (c) the disease, illness, substance or agent can cause or threaten damage to human health or human welfare or can cause or threaten damage to, deterioration of, loss of value of, marketability of or loss of use of property of any type.

**Defined Peril** means one of the following perils if specifically insured by this insurance:

Fire (howsoever caused); lightning; explosion; aircraft and aerial devices dropped from them; riot; civil commotion; strikers; damage caused by malicious persons; windstorm; rainstorm; hail; tornado; cyclone; typhoon; hurricane; earthquake; seaquake; seismic and/ or volcanic disturbance/ eruption; flood (howsoever caused); freeze; ice storm; weight of snow or ice; avalanche; meteorite or asteroid impact; landslip; landslide; mudslide; escape of water, oil or hydraulic fluid from any tank, apparatus or pipe; sprinkler leakage; impact by any road vehicle or animal; theft or attempted theft; mechanical or electrical breakdown; subsidence; heave; implosion; or collapse.

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# **Computer Equipment**

Electronic computer or other data processing and storage equipment, including media and other items used in conjunction with such equipment and **Portable Computer Equipment**.

### Contents

The following property used solely in connection with Your Business, belonging to You or for which You are legally responsible and kept at the **Premises**:

- (a) machinery and plant, trade and office furniture
- (b) fixtures, fittings, blinds and signs
- (c) patterns, models, moulds, plans and designs
- (d) deeds, documents, manuscripts, business books and computer system records
- (e) all other contents including curios and pictures
- (f) **Personal Effects** not exceeding £1,000
- (g) Money not exceeding £500
- (h) motor vehicles, motor chassis and their contents but excluding any property which is more specifically insured.

#### **Declared Value**

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

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

# **Personal Effects**

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

### Portable Computer Equipment

- (a) laptops, palmtops and notebooks
- (b) personal digital assistants
- (c) projectors, printers, scanners and other peripheral devices which are designed to be carried and used in conjunction with other Portable Computer Equipment
- (d) removable satellite navigation systems
- (e) digital cameras.

# **Specified Stock**

- (a) Tobacco, cigarettes and cigars
- (b) Wines and spirits
- (c) Jewellery, watches, precious metals and stones
- (d) Non-ferrous metals

owned by **You** or for which **You** are legally responsible for the purposes of the **Business**.

#### Stock

Stock and materials in trade including:

- (a) raw materials
- (b) work in progress
- (c) finished goods
- (d) goods in trust

owned by **You** or for which **You** are legally responsible for the purposes of the **Business** excluding **Specified Stock**.

#### Tenant's Improvements

Improvements, alterations and decorations which have been undertaken to the **Buildings** either by **You** or a previous occupier, as tenant and for which **You** are legally responsible as occupier and not as owner.

# Cover

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

# **Extensions**

### The following Extensions apply to this Section.

### Additional Costs of Construction - Energy Efficiency

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

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

**Our** liability will not exceed £1,000,000 or 15% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower.

# **Additional Statutory Costs**

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

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

Our liability will not exceed:

- (i) in respect of damaged property 15% of the sum insured shown in the **Schedule**
- (ii) in respect of undamaged portions of the property (other than foundations) 15% of the total amount for which We would have been liable had the property been wholly destroyed.

The total amount recoverable under any item of this Section will not exceed its sum insured.

# Architects' and Surveyors' Fees

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

### **Branded Goods**

In the event of **Damage** to **Property Insured** any salvage of branded goods or merchandise belonging to **You**, held in trust, on commission or goods sold but not delivered will not be disposed of by sale without **Your** consent.

If such salvage is not disposed of by sale then the amount of **Damage** will be assessed at the value agreed between **You** and **Us** and taken into consideration in the settlement of the claim.

We will pay reasonable costs You incur to:

- (a) stamp "salvage" on the goods or its containers provided that the stamp will not physically damage the goods; or
- (b) remove the brands or labels, provided that if doing so will not physically damage the goods.
  You must relabel the goods or its containers to comply with the law.

# **Capital Additions**

This Section includes:

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

**Our** liability will not exceed £1,000,000 or 15% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower.

# **Continuing Interest and Hire Charges**

In the event of **Damage** at the **Premises** where **You** are liable under contract for interest charges or continuing hire charges not recoverable under the terms of a lease or similar agreement in respect of property for which **You** are responsible and which is not otherwise insured **We** will pay such charges actually and reasonably incurred.

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

# **Contract Price**

In respect of goods sold but not delivered for which You are legally responsible and where the sale contract is cancelled by reason of **Damage** then **Our** liability will be based on the contract price. For the purpose of the General Condition 4. Average the sum insured will be calculated on the same basis.

### **Contract Works**

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

**Our** liability will not exceed £250,000 any one single contract.

# **Contractors Interest**

Where **You** are required to effect insurance on the **Property Insured** in joint names of **You** and the contractor under the terms of a contract condition then the interest of the contractor in the **Property Insured** as joint **Policyholder** is hereby noted.

**Our** liability will not exceed £250,000 any one single contract.

# **Contracting Purchaser**

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

### **Debris Removal Costs**

- (a) The insurance by this Section extends to include costs and expenses necessarily incurred by You with Our consent in:
  - (i) removing debris
  - (ii) dismantling or demolishing
  - (iii) shoring up or propping

of the portion or portions of the **Property Insured** which has been subject to **Damage** but excluding any such costs or expenses incurred in respect of **Stock** and **Specified Stock** 

- (b) where Stock and Specified Stock is insured the insurance by this Section includes costs and expenses necessarily incurred by You with Our consent in removing debris of the portion or portions of such insured property which has suffered Damage but Our liability in respect of Damage to Stock and Specified Stock will not be increased above the respective sum insured by the operation of this Extension provided that We will not be liable for any such costs or expenses:
  - (i) incurred in removing debris except from the site of the Property Insured which has suffered Damage and from the area immediately adjacent to such site
  - (ii) arising from pollution or contamination of property not insured by this Section.

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

#### Drains, Sewers and Gutters

We will pay costs and expenses necessarily incurred by You with Our consent for cleaning and/or clearing of drains, sewers and gutters in consequence of Damage to the Property Insured provided that We will not be liable for any such costs or expenses:

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

# Exhibitions

We will pay for **Damage** caused to **Property Insured** excluding **Buildings** and **Tenants Improvements** whilst:

- (a) within the premises of any trade show or exhibition within **Europe** at which **You** are participating as an exhibitor
- (b) in transit thereto and therefrom any show or exhibition within Europe but excluding theft or attempted theft from any unattended Vehicle.

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

# Fire Brigade Charges

**We** will pay **You** the reasonable costs charged by any Public Authority relating to the extinguishing or fighting of fire.

### **Further Investigation Costs**

Where **You** have suffered **Damage** to **Buildings** insured by this Section and in the opinion of a competent construction professional, in respect of the same event, there is a reasonable possibility of **Damage** to:

- (a) a portion of the same **Building** which is not immediately apparent
- (b) **Buildings** for which **You** are responsible in the immediate vicinity

We will pay the reasonable costs incurred by You with Our prior consent in establishing whether or not such Damage has occurred.

Provided that:

part (b) above is subject to such **Buildings** in the immediate vicinity being found to have suffered **Damage** for which **We** are liable under this Section.

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

#### Glass

We will pay for **Damage** to fixed glass, lamps, signs and name plates at the **Premises** not owned by **You** or insured by this policy including necessarily incurred additional costs involved in:

- (a) boarding up or temporary glazing pending replacement of broken glass
- (b) removing and re-fixing window fittings and other obstacles to replacement

provided that **You** are legally responsible for the repair of such **Damage**.

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

#### Inadvertent Omission to Insure

This Section extends to include any **Premises** in the United Kingdom which **You** own or for which **You** are responsible which **You** have an obligation to insure but have inadvertently been left uninsured.

Provided that:

- (a) You advise Us in writing immediately You become aware of an omission to insure and will pay the appropriate premium from the date upon which the insurance of the property became Your responsibility
- (b) You will carry out at not less than annual intervals a check of all properties owned by You or for which You are responsible to ensure that effective insurance is in force for such properties
- (c) **Our** liability will not exceed £1,000,000 any one occurrence.

This Extension will only be effective if **We** are the sole provider of **Buildings** Insurance in respect of **Your** properties owned in connection with the **Business** as defined in the **Schedule** and where **You** have an obligation to arrange such insurance.

We will not be liable for:

- (i) any premises more specifically insured
- (ii) any appreciation in value

# Index Linking

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

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

# **Interested Parties**

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

- (a) such act or omission is entirely without the authority of the freeholder, lessor or mortgagee
- (b) as soon as the freeholder, lessor or mortgagee becomes aware of any such act or omission

they will give immediate written notice to **Us** and pay any additional premium required.

### Landscaping Costs

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

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

#### Loss of Metered Utilities

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

We will not be liable for any such charges incurred by You in respect of any Vacant or Unoccupied Building.

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

# Loss Minimisation Expenses

We will pay for the costs necessarily and reasonably incurred by You with Our consent in:

- (a) preventing or reducing losses in the event of imminent **Damage** which would have been insured under this Section
- (b) alleviating **Damage** insured under this Section during and after the event of such **Damage**

Provided that:

- the impending Damage was not reasonably foreseeable earlier and would be the inevitable outcome if such costs and expenses were not incurred
- (ii) the impending **Damage** did not arise from any defect in the **Property Insured**
- (iii) the impending **Damage** is not more specifically insured.

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

# **Property Stored**

We will pay for **Damage** to **Stock** and **Specified Stock** whilst removed from the **Premises** but remaining within the United Kingdom. We will not pay for:

- (a) **Stock** and **Specified Stock** more specifically insured
- (b) **Damage** to **Stock** and **Specified Stock** in any yard, car park, open space or contained within an open sided structure or open sided building
- (c) Damage caused other than by a Defined Peril.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

# Non-invalidation

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

# **Obsolete Building Materials**

We will pay the reasonable additional cost incurred in the replacement of **Damaged** materials which given consideration to the knowledge at the time of installation, construction or fitting were deemed fit for purpose but require replacement with more suitable modern materials following **Damage**.

# **Protection Equipment Expenses**

We will pay You the cost of refilling fire extinguishing equipment and smoke cloaks used solely as a consequence of **Damage**.

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

# Reinstatement to Match (Computer Equipment)

Where **Computer Equipment** has suffered **Damage**, **You** may replace, repair or restore the property with equivalent property which employs current technology, and replacement, repair or restoration with such property for the purposes of this Section shall not be regarded as being better or more extensive than when new.

Cover also extends to include:

- (a) the cost of replacement or modification of undamaged Computer Equipment insofar as it is necessary to adapt it to operate in conjunction with lost, destroyed or damaged property which has been replaced, repaired or restored
- (b) the cost of replacement, repair or modification of undamaged parts of **Computer Equipment** that form part of a matching set of articles, or suite of common design or function where the **Damage** is restricted to a clearly identifiable area or to a specific part.

Provided that:

- (a) **Our** total liability is not increased beyond the amount:
  - that would otherwise have been payable for the replacement, repair or restoration of the property lost, destroyed or damaged in its original form
  - (ii) that would have been payable for replacement, repair or modification if such property forming a set of articles, or suite of common design or function had been wholly destroyed
- (b) We will be liable only for the amount sufficient to enable You to resume operations in substantially the same manner as before the Damage
- (c) where the property is lost, destroyed or damaged in part only, We will not be liable for more than the amount representing the cost which We would have paid for repair, restoration or replacement if such property had been wholly destroyed
- (d) if Damage to Computer Equipment results in undamaged computer records being incompatible with the replacement Computer Equipment, We will pay the cost of:
  - (i) modifying the **Computer Equipment**; or
  - (ii) replacing computer records with reinstatement of programs and/or information (but not for the value of the information to **You**)

whichever is the less

Our liability will not exceed the Computer Equipment sum insured shown in the Schedule.

# Seasonal Stock Increase

The sums insured for **Stock** and **Specified Stock** is increased by 25% during each **Period of Insurance** either:

- (a) during November, December and the first 15 days of January and the 30 days up to and including Easter Day and 7 days thereafter
- (b) during any other period during the year where the seasonal trend of Your Business requires such an increase in the sum insured, provided that such trend can be supported by previous trading records and that the period of the increase does not exceed 90 days in any Period of Insurance.

# Seventy Two Hour Clause

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

# Sprinkler Upgrade Costs

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

Provided that:

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

# Subrogation Waiver

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

- (a) any company standing in the relation of Parent to Subsidiary or Subsidiary to Parent to You as defined in the Companies Act or Companies
  (N.I.) Order as appropriate current at the time of the Damage
- (b) any company which is a Subsidiary of a Parent Company of which You are yourself a Subsidiary in each case within the meaning of the Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order as appropriate current at the time of the Damage

(c) any tenant or lessee who contributes to the cost of the premiums but excluding **Damage** arising out of the tenant's or lessee's gross negligence or as a result of the tenant's or lessee's wilful act or recklessness.

### Temporary Removal

#### We will pay for Damage to:

(a) **Computer Equipment** and **Contents** whilst temporarily removed from the **Premises** for cleaning, renovation, repair or similar purposes and in transit thereto and therefrom anywhere within the **Territorial Limits**.

Our liability any one occurrence will not exceed:

- (i) 15% of the sum insured on each item
- (ii) in the case of documents, manuscripts, plans and the like 15% of the total value.
- (b) Contents, Stock and Specified Stock whilst being transferred between Premises described in the Schedule including transit by road, rail or inland waterway between such Premises.

**Our** liability will not exceed the amount which would have been recoverable had the **Damage** occurred at the **Premises** from which the property is transferred or £50,000 whichever is the less in respect of any such transfers at any one time.

We will not pay for property more specifically insured.

# Temporary Removal – Documents and Computer System Records

We will pay for **Damage** to the following whilst temporarily removed to premises not in **Your** occupation but whilst remaining within the **Territorial Limits**:

- (a) deeds and other documents, manuscripts, plans and writings of every description and books (but excluding computer system records)
- (b) computer system records

We will not pay for property more specifically insured.

Our liability any one occurrence will not exceed:

- (i) in the case of deeds, documents and the like 15% of the **Contents** sum insured
- (ii) in the case of computer system records 10% of the **Contents** sum insured.

# Theft Damage to Buildings

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

**Our** liability will not exceed £50,000 or 15% of the Property Damage sum insured shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower.

# Theft of Fixed Fabric of the Building

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

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

# Theft of Keys

We will pay You costs and expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred for the replacement of locks or keys to the **Buildings** or to any safe or strongroom therein resulting from loss of keys following their theft:

- (a) from the **Buildings** or the home of any authorised **Employee**
- (b) involving assault or violence or threat thereof whilst such keys are in the personal custody of You or any authorised Employee.

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

#### **Tobacco and Alcohol**

We will pay You for Damage to tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, wines and spirits kept solely for entertainment purposes belonging to You or for which You are responsible.

Our liability will not exceed £1,000 in any one **Period** of Insurance.

#### **Trace and Access**

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

(a) locating the source of **Damage** in order to effect repairs

# (b) making good.

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

# **Trade Samples**

We will pay for **Damage** caused to trade samples whilst anywhere in **Europe** including while in transit thereto and therefrom but excluding theft or attempted theft from any unattended **Vehicle**.

Our liability will not exceed:

- (a) £1,000 in respect of any one single item
- (b) £10,000 any one Period of Insurance.

# Unauthorised Use of Electricity Gas or Water

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

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

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

# Workmen

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

# **Optional Extensions of Cover**

#### Your Schedule will show if this Extension is operative.

### Subsidence

Exclusion 17 of this Section is deleted.

This Section is extended to include **Damage** caused by subsidence, ground heave or landslip of any part of the site on which the **Property Insured** stands.

We will not be liable under this Extension for:

- (a) Damage to yards, forecourts, terraces, drives, roads, pavements, walls, gates and fences unless a Building at the same Premises is damaged by the same cause at the same time
- (b) **Damage** caused by or consisting of bedding down of new structures or by the settlement or

movement of made up ground or by coastal or river erosion

- (c) **Damage** occurring whilst the whole or part of the **Property Insured** is in the course of erection, structural alterations or repair or demolition
- (d) **Damage** caused by defective design or workmanship or defective materials
- (e) **Damage** which commenced prior to the inception of the cover under this Extension
- (f) Damage cause by or consisting of fire, subterranean fire, explosion, earthquake or the escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe
- (g) the amount of the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule** applicable to Subsidence

### Provided that:

Insofar as this insurance relates to **Damage** caused by subsidence, ground heave or landslip **You**:

- (a) keep the **Property Insured** in good and substantial repair
- (b) notify Us immediately You become aware of any demolition, groundworks, excavation or construction being carried out on any adjoining site. We shall then have the right to vary the terms or cancel the cover provided by this Extension.

# **Basis of Claims Settlement Clauses**

# Average

Each item of **Property Insured** under this Section is similarly but separately subject to Average as specified in General Condition 4.

# **Basis of Settlement**

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

- (a) Stock and Specified Stock the cost price of replacing the goods at the time of the Damage
- (b) deeds, documents and business books their value as stationery only together with the cost of clerical labour expended in writing up and not for the value to **You** of the information contained therein
- (c) computer systems records the value of the materials only together with the cost of clerical labour and computer time expended in reproducing the records provided that **We** will

not pay for the value to **You** of the information contained therein or for any expense in connection with the production of information to be recorded therein

- (d) patterns, models, moulds, plans and designs
  the value of the materials only together with the cost of labour expended in reinstatement of such property
- (e) **Personal Effects** not otherwise insured the cost of repair or replacement at the time of the **Damage**
- (f) rent the loss of rent payable by or to You whilst necessary reinstatement or repairs are carried out following Damage to the Buildings which makes them uninhabitable, subject to the indemnity period as stated in the Schedule
- (g) Buildings, Computer Equipment, Tenants Improvements, and Contents - subject to the following Special Conditions the basis upon which the amount payable in respect of any item on Buildings, Computer Equipment, Tenants Improvements, or Contents is to be calculated will be the reinstatement of the property subject to Damage. For this purpose 'Reinstatement' means:
  - (i) the rebuilding or replacement of property subject to Damage which, provided that Our liability is not increased, may be carried out:
    - in any manner suitable to **Your** requirements
    - upon another site
  - (ii) the repair or restoration of property subject to **Damage** in either case to a condition equivalent to or substantially the same as but not better or more extensive than its condition when new

# **Special Condition**

 At the start of each Period of Insurance You must notify Us of the Declared Value of each item on Buildings, Computer Equipment, Tenants Improvements and Contents. The premium is based on Declared Value (shown in the Schedule).

> If **You** fail to notify **Us** of the **Declared Value** at the start of each **Period of Insurance We** will use the last **Declared Value** notified to **Us** for the following **Period of Insurance**.

2. In respect of each item to which this Clause applies General Condition 4. Average is amended to read:

> If at the time of **Damage** the **Declared** Value of an item for **Property Insured** is less than 85% of the cost of **Reinstatement** at the inception of the **Period of Insurance** then **Our** liability for the **Damage** will not exceed the proportion thereof which the **Declared Value** bears to such cost of **Reinstatement**.

- 3. **Our** liability for the repair or restoration of property which is only partially damaged will not exceed the amount which would have been payable had the property been wholly destroyed.
- 4. No payment beyond the amount which would have been payable in the absence of this Basis of Settlement will be made:
  - (a) unless **Reinstatement** commences and proceeds without unreasonable delay
  - (b) until the cost of **Reinstatement** has actually been incurred
  - (c) if at the time of Damage the Property Insured is insured by any other insurance effected by You or on Your behalf which is not upon the same basis of Reinstatement.
- 5. All the terms and conditions of the policy shall apply:
  - (a) in respect of any claim payable under the provisions of this Clause except in so far as they are varied hereby
  - (b) where claims are payable as if this Basis of Settlement had not been incorporated except that the sum(s) insured shall be limited to 115% of the Declared Value(s)
- (h) all other property the cost of repairing or reinstating the property equal to its condition when new provided that:
  - (i) this is carried out without delay and in the most economical manner
  - (ii) until **Reinstatement** has been completed no payment will be made for more than the amount which would be payable if an allowance had been made for wear, tear or depreciation.

# Maximum Amount Payable

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

### Designation

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

# Conditions

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

### **Electrical Inspection**

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

- (a) the electrical system at the **Buildings** is inspected and tested by a qualified electrical engineer in accordance with IET Regulations for electrical installations and a completion and inspection certificate is issued following such inspection
- (b) any work specified on such certificates to ensure that the electrical installation meets IET Regulations will be carried out within 90 days of the inspection
- (c) a copy of each completion and inspection certificate is retained by You and available to Us upon request
- (d) the electrical installation is further inspected and tested within the timescale recommended on the completion and inspection certificate or within 5 years whichever is less.

# Fire Extinguishing Appliances

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that **You** will maintain all fire extinguishing appliances in efficient working order and under a contract of maintenance during the **Period of Insurance**.

Subject to the observance of this Condition this Section will not be invalidated by any defect in any of the said appliances due to any circumstances unknown to **You** or beyond **Your** control.

# Fork Lift Truck Charging

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that where fork lift truck battery charging is carried out at the **Premises You** must ensure that:

- (a) battery charging is confined to designated areas which:
  - (i) maintain a clearance of at least 2 metres between any fork lift truck plus its charging unit and any adjacent combustible materials
  - (ii) are behind non-combustible barriers and / or within a clearly painted floor area
  - (iii) have a standing area for the battery charger which is impervious, nonconductive and non-combustible
  - (iv) are kept clean, tidy and free from waste and combustible materials.
- (b) all leads, plugs and clips are inspected and damaged items are replaced before each use
- (c) charging only takes place during **Business Hours**.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- water (other than loss of metered water as described in this Section), air, runways, railway lines, dams, reservoirs, storage lakes, canals, rigs, wells, tunnels, docks, piers, jetties, excavations, wharfs, mines, and off-shore property
- 2. animals and growing crops
- 3. bullion, furs, explosives or contraband
- 4. jewellery, precious metals, precious stones or furs except where specifically mentioned in the **Schedule**
- 5. overhead electrical and telecommunication transmission and distribution lines, overhead transformers or other similar overhead communication, transmission or distribution equipment and their supporting structures other than those within the **Premises** for which **You** are responsible
- 6. vehicles required to be licensed for road use (including accessories thereon), caravans, trailers, railway locomotives or rolling stock, watercraft, aircraft or spacecraft (including but not limited to satellites)
- 7. property or structures in the course of demolition, construction or erection and materials, equipment or supplies in connection therewith unless specifically mentioned as insured by this Section
- 8. moveable property in the open, fences, gates, vegetation, lawns and shrubs in respect of **Damage** caused by wind, rain, hail, sleet, snow, flood, dust or falling trees
- 9. property from a garden, yard, open space or any open fronted or open sided building therein by theft or any attempt thereat or malicious damage
- 10. Property Insured at any Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings unless agreed by Us

- Damage to property stored in any outbuildings or basement caused by storm, flood, leakage of oil or water following bursting or overflowing of oil or water tanks, apparatus or pipes or from any automatic sprinkler installation, unless such property is raised at least 100mm above the ground floor level of the outbuilding or the floor level of the basement
- 12. Damage to any electrical machine or apparatus or component thereof occasioned by its over-running, excessive pressure, short-circuiting or self-heating not resulting in fire
- 13. Damage caused by or consisting of the bursting of any boiler, economiser (other than a boiler used for domestic purposes only) vessel, machine or apparatus in which internal pressure is due to steam only and belonging to You or under Your control but this shall not exclude subsequent Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- 14. Explosion in respect of and originating in any vessel machinery or apparatus or its contents, belonging to **You** or under **Your** control which requires to be examined to comply with any statutory regulations unless such vessel, machinery or apparatus is the subject of a policy or other contract providing the required inspection service
- 15. **Damage** arising solely from a change in the water table level (i.e. the level below which the ground is saturated with water)
- Damage by falling trees caused by felling or lopping carried out by You or on Your behalf
- 17. **Damage** caused by subsidence, ground heave or landslip
- 18. Damage to Property Insured:
  - (a) caused by fire resulting from its undergoing any heating process or any process involving the application of heat

- (b) (other than fire or explosion) resulting from its undergoing any process of production, packaging, treatment, testing, commissioning, servicing or repair
- 19. **Damage** caused by or arising from or consisting of:
  - (a) collapse or cracking of **Buildings**
  - (b) denting or mechanical or electrical defect, failure, breakdown or derangement
  - (c) gradually operating causes, including but not limited to atmospheric or climatic conditions, wet or dry rot, fungus, rust, corrosion, woodworm, moths, insects, vermin or pests, marring or scratching
  - (d) joint leakage, failure of welds, cracking, fracturing, collapse or overheating of boilers, economisers, superheaters, pressure vessels or any range of steam and feed piping in connection therewith
  - (e) any process involving drying, cleaning, dyeing, staining, repairing, restoring, renovating, fitting, installation, alteration or maintenance of any property
  - (f) use of any article contrary to manufacturers' instructions
  - (g) change in temperature, colour, flavour or finish but this shall not exclude:
    - such **Damage** not otherwise excluded which itself results from a **Defined Peril**
    - subsequent Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- 20. Damage caused by or consisting of:
  - (a) inherent vice, latent defect, defective design, plan or specification or the use of faulty materials
  - (b) wear, tear or depreciation or diminution in value
  - (c) faulty or defective workmanship operational error or omission by

You or any of Your Employees but this shall not exclude subsequent Damage which results from a cause not otherwise excluded

- 21. theft or attempted theft where **You** or any director, partner or **Employee** of **Yours** or any member of **Your** family or household be concerned as principal or accessory
- 22. theft or attempted theft unless:
  - (a) involving forcible and violent entry to or exit from a Building at the Premises
  - (b) involving assault or violence or threat thereof to You or any of Your Employees
  - (c) as provided for under Section Extension Theft of Fixed Fabric of the Building
- 23. Damage by theft or attempted theft from any unattended Vehicle being any Vehicle with no person in charge or keeping the Vehicle under observation and able to observe or prevent any attempt by any person to interfere with the Vehicle unless:
  - (a) all windows and other openings have been closed, all doors have been secured and any other protective devices put into full and effective operation
  - (b) any property insured by this Section is secured in the locked boot, storage compartment or closed glove compartment; (the luggage space at the rear of an estate car or hatchback under the top cover and out of view is deemed to be a locked boot)
  - (c) **Overnight** or after the completion of any **Working Day of the Driver** all windows and other openings have been closed and the **Vehicle** is locked and garaged in a secure building or compound

- (d) any unattended **Vehicle** in an unattended building (not at the **Premises**) unless all security devices are put into full and effective operation and such theft or attempted theft involves forcible and violent entry to or exit from the building
- 24. in respect of **Stock** and **Specified Stock** whilst in transit:
  - (a) Damage due to:
    - (i) leakage, spillage, contamination or deterioration
    - (ii) breakage of china, glass or other brittle articles unless caused by fire, theft or an accident involving the Vehicle
  - (b) **Damage** resulting from faulty packing or labelling
  - (c) Damage to property conveyed in any soft or open topped or soft or open sided Vehicle caused by:
    - (i) theft or attempted theft unless caused by or arising from theft or attempted theft of the conveying **Vehicle**
    - (ii) storm or malicious damage
- 25. Damage caused by theft or attempted theft occurring outside **Business Hours** to any till or cash register unless its drawer has been left in an open position
- 26. any losses, **Damage**, costs or expense of any kind which occurs as a result of interruption of or interference with the **Business** under this Section, except loss of rent payable where this is shown as covered in **Your Schedule**
- 27. losses not directly associated with the incident that caused **You** to claim
- 28. the Excess stated in the Schedule.

# SECTION 2: BUSINESS INTERRUPTION

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

### NOTE:

To the extent that **You** are accountable to the tax authorities for Value Added Tax all terms of this Section will be exclusive of such tax.

### **Estimated Insurable Gross Profit**

The amount declared by **You** to **Us** as representing not less than the **Insurable Gross Profit** which it is anticipated will be earned by the **Business** during the financial year most nearly concurrent with the **Period of Insurance** or a proportionately increased multiple thereof where the **Maximum Indemnity Period** exceeds twelve months.

#### **Estimated Gross Rent Receivable**

The amount declared by **You** to **Us** as representing not less than the **Gross Rent Receivable** which it is anticipated will be earned by the **Business** during the financial year most nearly concurrent with the **Period of Insurance** or a proportionately increased multiple thereof where the **Maximum Indemnity Period** exceeds twelve months.

# **Estimated Gross Revenue**

The amount declared by **You** to **Us** as representing not less than the **Gross Revenue** which it is anticipated will be earned by the **Business** during the financial year most nearly concurrent with the **Period of Insurance** or a proportionately increased multiple thereof where the **Maximum Indemnity Period** exceeds twelve months.

#### **Insurable Gross Profit**

The amount by which the sum of the **Turnover** and the amount of the closing stock and work in progress will exceed the sum of the amount of the opening stock and work in progress and the amount of the **Specified Working Expenses**.

# NOTE:

For the purpose of this definition the amounts of the opening and closing stocks and work in progress shall be arrived at in accordance with **Your** usual accounting methods, due provision being made for depreciation.

### **Gross Rent Receivable**

The money paid or payable to **You** for accommodation and services provided (including service charges) at the **Premises**.

#### **Gross Revenue**

The money paid or payable to **You** for work done and services rendered in the course of the **Business**.

### **Indemnity Period**

The period beginning with the date of **Damage** and lasting for the period during which **Your Business** is affected as a result of the **Damage**, but not longer than the **Maximum Indemnity Period** shown in the **Schedule**.

#### **Maximum Indemnity Period**

The period stated in the policy wording or in the **Schedule** as the Maximum Indemnity Period.

#### **Outstanding Debit Balances**

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

# Rate of Insurable Gross Profit

The rate of **Insurable Gross Profit** earned on the **Turnover** during the financial year immediately before the date of the **Damage**.

# **Specified Working Expenses**

The following expenses of the **Business** which are considered to vary directly with the **Turnover** and are therefore not included in the insurance:

- (a) 100% of purchases of materials (less discounts received)
- (b) 100% of carriage, packaging and freight (other than **Your** own)

(c) 100% of bad debts.

#### Standard Gross Rent Receivable

The **Gross Rent Receivable** during that period in the twelve months immediately before the date of **Damage** which corresponds with the **Indemnity Period**.

#### Standard Gross Revenue

The **Gross Revenue** during that period in the twelve months immediately before the date of the **Damage** which corresponds with the **Indemnity Period**.

#### Standard Turnover

The **Turnover** during that period in the twelve months immediately before the date of the **Damage** which corresponds with the **Indemnity Period**.

#### NOTE:

# To the Rate of Insurable Gross Profit, Standard

**Turnover** and **Standard Gross Revenue** adjustments shall be made as may be necessary to provide for the trend of the **Business** and for variations in or special circumstances affecting the **Business** either before or after the **Damage** which would have affected the **Business** had the **Damage** not occurred so that the figures thus adjusted will represent as nearly as may be reasonably practicable the results which but for the **Damage** would have been obtained during the relative period after the **Damage**.

#### Turnover

The money paid or payable to **You** for products supplied and services rendered in the course of the **Business**.

# Cover

If **Damage** occurs to property used by **You** at the **Premises** for the purposes of the **Business** which occurs during the **Period of Insurance** and causes interruption to or interference with the **Business** at the **Premises**, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of such loss in accordance with the Basis of Cover stated in the **Schedule** and described below, provided that:

1. at the time of **Damage** there is insurance in force covering **Your** interest in the property at the **Premises** against **Damage** and that:

- (a) payment has been made or liability admitted under that insurance; or
- (b) payment would have been made or liability admitted, for the **Damage**, but for the operation of a proviso in the insurance excluding liability for losses below a specified amount.

**Our** liability in respect of any one occurrence will not exceed:

- 133.3% of the sum insured for each item in respect of Estimated Insurable Gross Profit or Estimated Gross Revenue or Estimated Gross Rent Receivable
- 2. 100% of each other item

as shown in the Schedule.

# **Basis of Cover**

Following **Damage** insured by this Section **We** will pay for the following in respect of any of the undermentioned items if insured by this Section.

# Insurable Gross Profit (Declaration Linked Basis)

loss thereof due to:

- (a) reduction in Turnover being the amount produced by applying the Rate of Insurable
   Gross Profit to the amount by which the Turnover during the Indemnity Period will fall short of the Standard Turnover in consequence of the Damage
- (b) increase in cost of working being the additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing the reduction in **Turnover** which but for that expenditure would have taken place during the **Indemnity Period** in consequence of the **Damage**, but not exceeding the sum produced by applying the **Rate of Insurable Gross Profit** to the amount of the reduction thereby avoided

less any sum saved during the **Indemnity Period** in respect of such of the charges and expenses of the **Business** payable out of **Insurable Gross Profit** as may cease or be reduced in consequence of the **Damage**.

# Gross Revenue (Declaration Linked Basis)

loss thereof due to:

- (a) loss of Gross Revenue being the amount by which the Gross Revenue during the Indemnity Period will fall short of the Standard Gross Revenue in consequence of the Damage
- (b) increase in cost of working being the additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing the reduction in Gross Revenue which but for that expenditure would have taken place during the Indemnity Period in consequence of the Damage, but not exceeding the amount of reduction in Gross Revenue thereby avoided

less any sum saved during the **Indemnity Period** in respect of such of the charges and expenses of the **Business** payable out of **Gross Revenue** as may cease or be reduced in consequence of the **Damage**.

# Gross Rent Receivable (Declaration Linked Basis)

loss thereof due to:

- (a) loss of Gross Rent Receivable being the amount by which the Gross Rent Receivable during the Indemnity Period will fall short of the Standard Gross Rent Receivable in consequence of the Damage
- (b) increase in cost of working being the additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing the reduction in Gross Rent Receivable which but for that expenditure would have taken place during the Indemnity Period in consequence of the Damage, but not exceeding the amount of reduction in Gross Rent Receivable thereby avoided

less any sum saved during the **Indemnity Period** in respect of such of the charges and expenses of the **Business** payable out of **Gross Rent Receivable** as may cease or be reduced in consequence of the **Damage**.

# Increase in Cost of Working

Increase in Cost of Working (where insured as a separate item) is limited to the additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred as a result of the **Damage** in order to minimise any interruption or interference with the **Business** during the **Indemnity Period**.

# Additional Increase in Cost of Working

Additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You** during the **Indemnity Period** in excess of the amount payable under the **Insurable Gross Profit**, **Gross Revenue** or **Gross Rent Receivable** basis (as applicable) for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing the reduction in:

- (a) Turnover if the Basis of Cover is Insurable Gross Profit
- (b) Gross Revenue
- (c) Gross Rent Receivable

in order to resume or maintain normal **Business** operations.

**Our** liability shall not exceed the sum insured shown in the **Schedule**.

# **Extensions**

The Extensions provided under this Section will be decided by the Basis of Cover shown in **Your Schedule** as follows:

- (a) Insurable Gross Profit or Gross Revenue this Section extends to include Extensions A-N or
- (b) Increase in Cost of Working this Section extends to include Extensions A. Book Debts, C. Deeds & Documents, D. Denial of Access, E. Exhibition Sites and F. Failure of Public Utilities only
- (c) Gross Rent Receivable this Section extends to include Extensions A. Book Debts, C. Deeds & Documents, D. Denial of Access and F. Failure of Public Utilities only.

When the Basis of Cover shown in **Your Schedule** is **Increase in Cost of Working** or **Gross Rent Receivable**, **Our** liability in respect of these Extension will not exceed:

- (a) (i) the sum insured stated in **Your Schedule** for Increase in Cost of Working
  - (ii) the sum insured stated in Your Schedule for Gross Rent Receivable
- (b) the limit stated within the Extension

whichever is the lower occurring during the **Period of Insurance**.

Any limit shown against an Extension is within and does not increase the Business Interruption sum insured shown in the **Schedule**.

# A. Book Debts

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to **Your** records of **Outstanding Debit Balances** contained within the **Premises**. We will pay for any net **Outstanding Debit Balances** which **You** are unable to recover from customers as a result of **Damage** to such records and any additional expenditure incurred after such **Damage** in tracing and establishing **Outstanding Debit Balances**.

**Our** liability in respect of loss of net **Outstanding Debit Balances** and their associated additional expenditure and accountants charges will not exceed £250,000 any one occurrence.

#### **Special Condition**

At the end of each month **You** will record the total amount outstanding in customer's accounts and will maintain a separate record, in addition to the books of account, at alternative premises.

#### B. Compulsory Closure

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** as a result of compulsory closure of the **Premises** by a public body authorised to prevent access to the **Premises** arising from the occurrence of:

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

For the purposes of the cover the **Indemnity Period** is restated as follows:

The **Indemnity Period** shall mean the period of time during which interruption to the **Business** occurs as a result of the matters set out at sub-clauses (a) - (c) (each 'an occurrence') commencing with the date of the closure of the **Premises** and not exceeding:

- (i) 30 days in respect of each occurrence and
- (ii) 30 days in total in respect of all occurrences in any one Period of Insurance

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

# C. Deeds & Documents

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

**Our** liability will not exceed £250,000 any one occurrence.

# D. Denial of Access

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to property within 1 kilometre of the **Premises** which prevents or hinders the use of or prevents access to the **Premises** but excluding **Damage** to property of any public utility from which **You** obtain supplies or services.

Our liability will not exceed the Estimated Insurable Gross Profit or Estimated Gross Revenue or Estimated Gross Rent Receivable or Increase in Cost of Working (as applicable) sum insured shown in the Schedule.

#### E. Exhibition Sites

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** at any trade fair or exhibition at which **You** are to occupy a stand.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence anywhere in **Europe** or £50,000 any one occurrence anywhere worldwide.

# F. Failure of Public Utilities

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to property at any:

- (a) generating station or sub-station of the public electricity supplier
- (b) land based premises of the public gas supplier or of any natural gas producer linked directly with them
- (c) land based premises of the public telecommunications supplier or internet service provider
- (d) waterworks or pumping station of the public water supplier

within the **Territorial Limits** from which **You** obtain electricity, gas or water supplies or telecommunication services.

**Our** liability will not exceed £250,000 any one occurrence.

# G. Key Employees

Additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You** during the **Period of Insurance** as a consequence of:

- (a) the death of any of **Your** principals, directors or partners; or
- (b) total and permanent disablement of any of Your principals, directors or partners which prevents them from carrying out their usual employment or occupation

due to injury caused by accidental and violent means.

We will only pay the additional expenditure that You necessarily and reasonably incur solely in order to minimise any interruption or interference with the Business, during the Indemnity Period, which but for such additional expenditure would have taken place.

#### Provided that:

- (a) the Maximum Indemnity Period shall not exceed 12 months
- (b) **Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

# H. National Lottery

For the purpose of this Extension **Employee** shall mean:

Any person while working for **You** in connection with the **Business** who is under a contract of service or apprenticeship with **You**.

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** at the **Premises** in consequence of an **Employee** or **Employees** terminating their employment with **You** as a direct result of a confirmed win on the National Lottery in the United Kingdom.

Provided that the **Maximum Indemnity Period** under this Extension shall not exceed 3 months from the date of the confirmed win on the National Lottery.

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

# I. Property in Transit

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to property whilst in transit by road, rail or inland waterway within the **Territorial Limits**. **Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

#### J. Research and Development Costs

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** to research and development records contained within the **Premises**.

We will pay the reasonable and necessary costs incurred by You during the **Indemnity Period** solely to re-constitute records and re-work projects and to restore research and development projects to a state substantially similar to that which existed before the **Damage** provided that:

- (a) the **Maximum Indemnity Period** in respect of this Extension will not exceed 12 months
- (b) **Our** liability will not exceed £25,000 any one occurrence.

# K. Unspecified Contract Sites

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** at any location not shown in the **Schedule** at which **You** are contracted to undertake work anywhere within the **Territorial Limits**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

# L. Unspecified Customers

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** at the premises of **Your** direct customers anywhere within the **Territorial Limits**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

# M. Unspecified Storage Sites

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** at any premise within the **Territorial Limits** not owned or occupied by **You** where **Your** property is stored.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

# N. Unspecified Suppliers

Interruption of or interference with the **Business** in consequence of **Damage** at the premises of **Your** direct suppliers, manufacturers or processors of components, goods or materials anywhere within the **Territorial Limits**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £100,000 any one occurrence.

# Clauses

The following Clauses apply to this Section.

# Accumulated Stocks

In adjusting any loss, account shall be taken and an equitable allowance made if any shortage in **Turnover** due to the **Damage**, is postponed by reason of the **Turnover** being temporarily maintained from accumulated stocks of raw materials, work in progress or finished goods at the **Premises** or elsewhere.

# **Alternative Trading**

If during the **Indemnity Period** goods shall be sold or services shall be rendered elsewhere than at the **Premises** for the benefit of the **Business** either by **You** or by others on **Your** behalf the money paid or payable in respect of such sales or services shall be brought into account in arriving at the **Turnover** during the **Indemnity Period**.

# **Payments on Account**

Payments on account will be made to **You** during the **Indemnity Period** if desired.

# **Professional Accountants**

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

# Separate Departments

If the **Business** is conducted in departments, the independent trading results of which are ascertainable, the provisions of the Basis of Cover sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of any item on **Insurable Gross Profit** or **Gross Revenue** or **Gross Rent Receivable** as appropriate will apply separately to each department affected by the **Damage**.

# Standing Charges (applicable to Insurable Gross Profit)

If any of the standing charges of the **Business** are not insured by this Section (having been deducted in arriving at the **Insurable Gross Profit**) then in calculating the amount recoverable as Increase in Cost of Working only that proportion of any additional expenditure shall be brought into account which the **Insurable Gross Profit** bears to the sum of the **Insurable Gross Profit** and the **Specified Working Expenses**.

# Exclusions

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

This Section does not cover loss arising from any interruption of or interference with the **Business**:

- 1. In respect of:
  - (a) water, air, runways, railway lines, dams, reservoirs, storage lakes, canals, rigs, wells, tunnels, docks, piers, jetties, excavations, wharfs, mines, and off-shore property
  - (b) animals and growing crops
  - (c) vehicles required to be licensed for road use (including accessories thereon), caravans, trailers, railway locomotives or rolling stock, watercraft, aircraft or spacecraft (including but not limited to satellites)
  - (d) property or structures in the course of demolition, construction or erection and materials, equipment or supplies in connection therewith unless specifically mentioned as insured by the Property Damage Section
- 2. as a result of **Damage** to:
  - (a) moveable property in the open, fences, gates, vegetation, lawns and shrubs caused by wind, rain, hail, sleet, snow, flood, dust or falling trees

- (b) property from a garden, yard, open space or any open fronted or open sided building therein by theft or any attempt thereat or malicious damage
- (c) Property Insured at any Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings unless agreed by Us
- (d) property stored in any outbuildings or basement caused by storm, flood, leakage of oil or water following bursting or overflowing of oil or water tanks, apparatus or pipes or from any automatic sprinkler installation, unless such property is raised at least 100mm above the ground floor level of the outbuilding or the floor level of the basement
- (e) any electrical machine or apparatus or component thereof occasioned by its over-running, excessive pressure, short-circuiting or self-heating not resulting in fire
- caused by or consisting of the bursting of any boiler, economiser (other than a boiler or economiser on the **Premises** or boiler used for domestic purposes only) vessel, machine or apparatus in which internal pressure is due to steam only and belonging to **You** or under **Your** control but this shall not exclude subsequent **Damage** which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
- 4. caused by Explosion in respect of and originating in any vessel machinery or apparatus or its contents, belonging to You or under Your control which requires to be examined to comply with any statutory regulations unless such vessel, machinery or apparatus is the subject of a policy or other contract providing the required inspection service
- 5. arising solely from a change in the water table level (i.e. the level below which the ground is saturated with water)
- 6. caused by:
  - (a) falling trees caused by felling or lopping carried out by You or on Your behalf

- (b) subsidence, ground heave or landslip. This exclusion does not apply where Subsidence under the Property Damage Section is shown as being operative in Your Schedule, however, We will not be liable under this Section for any consequential loss resulting from Damage:
  - to yards, forecourts, terraces, drives, roads, pavements, walls, gates and fences unless a
     Building at the same Premises is damaged by the same cause at the same time
  - (ii) caused by or consisting of bedding down of new structures or by the settlement or movement of made up ground or by coastal or river erosion
  - (iii) occurring whilst the whole or part of the **Property Insured** is in the course of erection, structural alterations or repair or demolition
  - (iv) caused by defective design or workmanship or defective materials
  - (v) which commenced prior to the inception of the cover under the Subsidence Extension
  - (vi) caused by or consisting of fire, subterranean fire, explosion, earthquake or the escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe
- 7. to Property Insured:
  - (a) caused by fire resulting from its undergoing any heating process or any process involving the application of heat
  - (b) (other than fire or explosion) resulting from its undergoing any process of production, packaging, treatment, testing, commissioning, servicing or repair

- 8. caused by or arising from or consisting of:
  - (a) collapse or cracking of **Buildings**
  - (b) denting or mechanical or electrical defect, failure, breakdown or derangement
  - (c) gradually operating causes, including but not limited to atmospheric or climatic conditions, wet or dry rot, fungus, rust, corrosion, woodworm, moths, insects, vermin or pests, marring, scratching
  - (d) joint leakage, failure of welds, cracking, fracturing, collapse or overheating of boilers, economisers, superheaters, pressure vessels or any range of steam and feed piping in connection therewith
  - (e) any process involving drying, cleaning, dyeing, staining, repairing, restoring, renovating, fitting, installation, alteration or maintenance of any property
  - (f) use of any article contrary to manufacturers' instructions
  - (g) change in temperature, colour, flavour or finish but this shall not exclude:
    - such **Damage** not otherwise excluded which itself results from a **Defined Peril**
    - subsequent Damage which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded
  - (h) inherent vice, latent defect, defective design, plan or specification or the use of faulty materials
  - (i) wear, tear or depreciation or diminution in value
  - (j) faulty or defective workmanship operational error or omission by You or any of Your Employees but this shall not exclude subsequent Damage which results from a cause not otherwise excluded

- caused by theft or attempted theft where
  You or any director, partner or Employee
  of Yours or any member of Your family
  or household be concerned as principal
  or accessory
- 10. caused by theft or attempted theft unless:
  - (a) involving forcible and violent entry to or exit from a Building at the Premises
  - (b) involving assault or violence or threat thereof to You or any of Your Employees
  - (c) as provided for under Property Damage Section Extension Theft of Fixed Fabric of the Building
- 11. caused by the deliberate act of any supply undertaking or by the exercise by any such undertaking of its power to withhold or restrict supply or services
- 12. not caused by **Damage** other than as described in Extensions – B. Compulsory Closure, G. Key Employees and H. National Lottery
- 13. if **Your** interest ceases other than by death or the **Business** is:
  - (a) wound up or carried on by a liquidator or receiver or
  - (b) permanently discontinued

unless **We** agree otherwise in writing.

# SECTION 3: DETERIORATION OF REFRIGERATED STOCK

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# **Refrigeration Unit**

Refrigerators, freezer units and chiller cabinets, cold room or cold store.

# **Refrigerated Stock**

Stock in any Refrigeration Unit.

# Cover

We will pay for **Damage** to **Refrigerated Stock** at the **Premises** contained in any **Refrigeration Unit**, caused by deterioration or putrefaction due to:

- (a) a rise or fall in temperature in the **Refrigeration Unit** resulting from:
  - (i) breakdown of or accidental **Damage** to its refrigerating plant or associated thermostatic or other control devices
  - (ii) accidental failure of the public supply of electricity not occasioned by the deliberate act of the supply authority
- (b) contamination by the escape of refrigerant fumes.

**Our** liability will not exceed the sum insured stated in the **Schedule** for any one occurrence.

# **Extensions**

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

# Seasonal Refrigerated Stock Increase

The sums insured for **Refrigerated Stock** are increased by 25% during the **Period of Insurance** either:

(a) during November, December and the first 15 days of January and the 30 days up to and including Easter Day and 7 days thereafter (b) during any other period during the year where the seasonal trend of **Your Business** requires such an increase in the sum insured, provided that such trend can be supported by previous trading records and that the period of the increase does not exceed 90 days in any **Period** of Insurance.

# Conditions

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

# Maintenance Contract

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that any **Refrigeration Unit** over 10 years old at the start of the **Period of Insurance** is maintained annually by a suitably qualified electrical engineer.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- 1. deterioration or putrefaction which itself results from a **Defined Peril**
- 2. Damage caused by any wilful act or neglect by You or any Employee
- 3. **Damage** caused by faulty packing or stowage
- 4. **Damage** caused by inherent defect or any form of normal trade loss
- 5. the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule**.

# **SECTION 4: LOSS OF LICENCE**

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# NOTE:

To the extent that **You** are accountable to the tax authorities for Value Added Tax all terms of this Section will be exclusive of such tax.

#### **Gross Income**

The money paid or payable to **You** in respect of food, drink or accommodation provided and services rendered, less the cost of food and drink.

# **Indemnity Period**

The period beginning with the loss of licence and ending not later than 12 months thereafter during which the results of the **Business** shall be affected in consequence of the loss of licence provided that if the **Premises** are disposed of within 12 months after the loss of licence, the Indemnity Period will terminate upon disposal.

# Cover

In the event that the licence for the sale of excisable liquors granted in respect of the **Premises** is forfeited, suspended or withdrawn during the **Period of Insurance**, **We** will pay **You**:

- (a) the amount by which the Gross Income during the Indemnity Period falls short of the Gross Income during the equivalent period immediately before the forfeiture, suspension or withdrawal of the licence; and
  - (b) any reasonable additional expenses incurred to maintain the Gross Income during the Indemnity Period but not more than the loss avoided under Gross Income

less any amount saved during the **Indemnity Period** in respect of reduced expenses due to the event. the depreciation in value of the Premises if
 You are unable to obtain a licence for a period of 12 months from the date of the forfeiture, suspension or withdrawal of the licence and
 You sell the Premises.

# Maximum Amount Payable

**Our** liability during any one **Period of Insurance** will not exceed the sum insured stated in the **Schedule**.

# Clauses

# **Alternative Trading**

If during the **Indemnity Period** work is done or services are provided elsewhere than at the **Premises** for the benefit of the **Business** either by **You** or by others on **Your** behalf, the money paid or payable in respect of such work or services will be brought into account in arriving at the **Gross Income** during the **Indemnity Period**.

# **Departmental Trading**

If the **Business** is conducted in departments or across a number of **Premises**, the separate trading results of which can be ascertained, then any claim settlement under this Section will be calculated for each department or **Premises**.

# **Trends and Variations**

In adjusting the amount paid, all variations or special circumstances affecting the **Business** will be taken into account in order that the amount paid will represent as nearly as practicable the results which would have been expected if forfeiture, suspension or withdrawal of the licence had not occurred.

If the event occurs in the first trading year of the **Business**, the payment under **Gross Income** will be based on the trading figures immediately before the forfeiture, suspension or withdrawal of the licence.

# Extensions

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### **Costs and Expenses**

Costs and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent in connection with any proceedings in which an order for a forfeiture, suspension or withdrawal of the licence is made, arising out of a cause beyond **Your** control, including any appeal against such order.

# **SECTION 4: LOSS OF LICENCE**

# Conditions

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

# Change in Circumstances

**You** will immediately advise **Us** in writing and supply such additional information and give such assistance as **We** may reasonably require on becoming aware of any:

- (a) complaint against the **Business**
- (b) proceedings against or conviction of the licence holder, manager, tenant or occupier of the **Premises**, for any breach of the licensing law or any other matter whatsoever where the character or reputation of the person concerned is affected or called into question with respect to their honesty, moral standing or sobriety
- (c) change in the tenancy or management of the **Premises**
- (d) transfer or proposed transfer of the licence
- (e) alteration in the purpose for which the **Premises** are used
- (f) objection to renewal or other circumstances which may endanger the licence or its renewal

# Forfeiture or Refused Renewal

In the event of the licence being forfeited or refused renewal, **You** shall:

- (a) give notice to Us within 24 hours of becoming aware of such event, stating the grounds upon which the licence was forfeited or renewal refused
- (b) give all such assistance as We may require, for the purpose of an appeal against such forfeiture or refusal to renew
- (c) apply if practicable and if required by Us for the grant of a new licence for the same or alternative premises as may enable You to continue the Business in a similar or alternative form.

# **Transfer of Licence**

In the event of **Your** death, bankruptcy or incapacity or desertion of the **Premises** or conviction for any offence (where such conviction affects the character or reputation of the convicted person with respect to their honesty, moral standing or sobriety) of the licence holder, manager, tenant or occupier of the **Premises**, **You** shall where practicable and at **Our** request, procure a suitable person to replace them and one to whom the justices will transfer the licence or grant the licence by way of renewal.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- 1. any loss if:
  - (a) You are entitled to obtain compensation under the provision of any statute following refusal to renew the licence
  - (b) alteration of the **Premises** requiring consent of the appropriate authority are made without that consent
  - (c) the **Premises** are not maintained in a good state of sanitary condition or repair
  - (d) You fail to comply with any direction or requirement of the licensing or other authority
  - (e) the forfeiture or refusal to renew the licence occurs wholly or partly through Your misconduct, connivance, neglect or omission or by Your failure to take any steps necessary for keeping the licence in force
  - (f) surrender or refusal to renew or forfeiture arises under or results directly or indirectly from any scheme of town or country planning, improvement or redevelopment
- 2. any loss arising from:
  - (a) surrender, reduction or redistribution of licences
  - (b) any alteration of the law affecting the grant, surrender, refusal to renew or forfeiture of licences.

# SECTION 5: SPECIFIED ALL RISKS

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Cover

We will pay for **Damage** to the property specified in the **Schedule** under this Section occurring at the **Premises** or elsewhere as specified in the **Schedule**.

# **Extensions**

# The following Extensions apply to this Section.

# Index Linking

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

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

# Non-invalidation

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

# **Subrogation Waiver**

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

- (a) any company standing in the relation of Parent to Subsidiary or Subsidiary to Parent to You as defined in the Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order as appropriate current at the time of the Damage
- (b) any company which is a Subsidiary of a Parent Company of which You are yourself a Subsidiary in each case within the meaning of the Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order as appropriate current at the time of the Damage.

# Vending Machines

In respect of any vending machine specified in the **Schedule**, the insurance provided by this Section extends to include the contents (other than cash) of such machine provided that:

- (a) **Damage** to such contents occurs at the same time as **Damage** to the machine itself; and
- (b) **Our** liability will not exceed £100 any one occurrence.

# **Basis of Settlement Clauses**

# Average

Each item of property insured under this Section is similarly but separately subject to Average as specified in General Condition 4.

# **Basis of Claims Settlement**

In the event of **Damage** to property insured by this section **We** will pay the cost of repairing or replacing the property equal to its condition when new provided that:

- (a) this is carried out without delay and in the most economical manner
- (b) when property is subject to partial Damage Our liability will not exceed the estimated replacement cost which would have been payable had it been wholly lost or destroyed
- (c) until replacement has been carried out no payment will be made beyond the amount which would be payable if an allowance were made for wear, tear or depreciation.

# Maximum Amount Payable

The most **We** will pay in respect of any one occurrence will not exceed the sum insured shown in **Your Schedule** for any one item adjusted in accordance with Index Linking.

# SECTION 5: SPECIFIED ALL RISKS

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- 1. **Damage** caused by or consisting of:
  - (a) wear, tear, depreciation or diminution in value
  - (b) inherent vice, latent defect, defective design, plan or specification or the use of faulty materials
  - (c) faulty or defective workmanship, operational error or omission on the part of You or any of Your Employees
  - (d) denting, mechanical or electrical defect, failure, breakdown or derangement
  - (e) any gradually operating cause, including (but not restricted to) atmospheric or climatic conditions, dry or wet rot, fungus, rust, corrosion, woodworm, moths, insects, vermin or pests, marring or scratching
  - (f) any process involving heating, drying, cleaning, dyeing, staining, repairing, restoring, renovating, fitting, installation, testing, commissioning, alteration or maintenance of any property
  - (g) use of any article contrary to manufacturers' instructions
  - (h) storm or flood unless the property is contained in an enclosed vehicle or in a building
  - (i) change in temperature, colour, flavour, texture or finish
- 2. **Damage** by theft or attempted theft:
  - (a) to any property away from the **Premises** unless:
    - (i) the property is in Your personal custody or the personal custody of any partner, director or Employee of Yours or
    - (ii) contained in a securely locked or occupied building

and involves forcible and violent entry to or exit from the building or assault, violence or threat thereof towards **You**, **Your** partners, directors or **Employee** 

- (b) from any unattended building unless all security devices are put into full and effective operation and such theft or attempted theft involves forcible and violent entry to or exit from the building
- (c) from any unattended Vehicle being any Vehicle with no person in charge or keeping the Vehicle under observation and able to observe or prevent any attempt by any person to interfere with the Vehicle unless:
  - (i) all windows and other openings have been closed, all doors have been secured and any other protective devices put into full and effective operation
  - (ii) any property insured by this Section is secured in the locked boot, storage compartment or closed glove compartment; (the luggage space at the rear of an estate car or hatchback under the top cover and out of view is deemed to be a locked boot)
  - (iii) **Overnight** or after the completion of any **Working Day of the Driver** the **Vehicle** is locked and garaged in a secure building or compound and all windows and other openings have been closed, all doors have been secured and any other protective devices put into full and effective operation
- 3. breakage of brittle articles unless forming part of photographic equipment
- 4. losses not directly associated with the incident that caused **You** to claim
- 5. the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule**.

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# Injury

Bodily Injury by violent and visible means.

#### **Insured Person**

You or any of Your partners, directors or any Employee aged between 16 and 70 years.

#### Loss of Limb

Total loss of one or more limbs at or above the wrist or ankle or total and permanent loss of use of any entire limb.

# Loss of Sight

Total and irrecoverable loss of sight in one or both eyes.

#### **Medical Expenses**

Any reasonable costs necessarily incurred for medical, surgical or other diagnostic or remedial treatment given or prescribed by a qualified medical practitioner and any hospital, nursing home or ambulance charges.

#### Money

**Negotiable Money** and **Non-Negotiable Money** all pertaining to the **Business** and belonging to **You** or which **You** are responsible for.

# Negotiable Money

Current currency, uncrossed bankers drafts, postal and money orders, uncrossed cheques, travellers cheques, national savings stamps, bus and rail travel cards and passes, telephone cards, current postage stamps, luncheon vouchers, gift tokens, holiday with pay stamps, trading stamps, premium bonds, savings stamps and National Lottery 'Instants' and other scratch cards.

# Non-Negotiable Money

Crossed cheques, postal orders, money orders, bankers drafts, national giro drafts, payment orders, dividend warrants, national savings certificates, unused postal franking machine units, stamped or impressed national insurance cards, premium bonds, VAT purchase invoices, credit and debit card sales vouchers and consumer redemption vouchers.

# Permanent Total Disablement

Permanent inability to engage in any gainful employment, other than such inability caused by **Loss of Limb** or **Loss of Sight**.

#### **Temporary Total Disablement**

Temporary and absolute inability to engage in usual occupation.

#### **Temporary Partial Disablement**

Temporary disablement preventing the **Insured Person** to attend to a substantial and essential part of their usual occupation.

# Cover

We will pay for physical loss of **Money** as described below occurring within the **Territorial Limits** and subject to the limits stated in the **Schedule**:

- (a) loss of Non-Negotiable Money
- (b) loss of Negotiable Money:
  - (i) in transit, in Your personal custody or in the custody of any authorised Employee or in a bank night safe
  - (ii) on the **Premises** during **Business Hours**
  - (iii) on the **Premises** out of **Business Hours** contained in locked safe(s)
  - (iv) on the **Premises** out of **Business Hours** not contained in locked safe(s)
  - (v) in **Your** home or in the home of any authorised **Insured Person**

# **Extensions**

#### The following Extensions apply to this Section.

# Credit Cards

We will pay for any amount for which You become liable under the terms of issue of any bank charge credit debit or cash card issued and used only in connection with the **Business** following fraudulent

use by any unauthorised person within the **Territorial Limits**.

Provided that **You** report the loss to the issuing company immediately and to the police within 24 hours of discovering the loss and have complied with the terms and conditions of issue of the card.

Our liability will not exceed £5,000 in any one **Period** of Insurance.

#### Safes

We will pay the cost of repair or replacement as a result of **Damage** following theft or attempted theft of **Money** to any:

- (a) safe or strongroom
- (b) postal franking machine
- (c) security case, bag or waistcoat used to carry **Money**.

# Conditions

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

#### Accompaniment Condition

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that whenever **Negotiable Money** is in transit:

- (a) the **Negotiable Money** must be accompanied by not less than:
  - (i) two responsible **Insured Persons** when in excess of £3,000
  - (ii) three responsible **Insured Persons** when in excess of £6,000
- (b) the time of the day and the routes taken must be varied

unless otherwise agreed by **Us** in writing or amended by Endorsement to this Section as specified in the **Schedule**.

#### Records

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that **You** keep a complete record of all **Money** held by **You** and deposit that record in a secure place other than in a safe or strongroom containing **Money**.

# Safe Keys and Combination Codes

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that outside **Business Hours**:

- (a) any safe will be securely locked
- (b) any key and records of a code to the safe will be removed from the **Premises**.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- 1. clerical or accounting errors or shortages due to error or omission
- 2. any loss due to the fraud or dishonesty of any director, partner or **Employee** unless the loss is discovered within ten working days of the date of its occurrence
- 3. loss caused by dishonoured cheques or by the use of counterfeit **Money**
- loss from any unattended Vehicle being any Vehicle with no person in charge or keeping the Vehicle under observation and able to observe or prevent any attempt by any person to interfere with the Vehicle
- 5. loss from any coin-operated vending, gaming or amusement machine or payphone unless specially agreed as insured and stated in the **Schedule**
- 6. Damage caused by theft or attempted theft occurring outside **Business Hours** to any till or cash register unless its drawer has been left in an open position containing no **Money**
- 7. loss of **Money** belonging to the Post Office
- 8. the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule**.

# **Special Extension - Personal Assault**

#### Cover

We will pay You and Your legal representative in the event of **Injury** to any **Insured Person** consequent upon robbery or hold up or any attempt thereat in the course of the **Business** and such **Injury** directly and independently of any other cause results within twenty four months in:

1. Death

# 2. Loss of Limb

- 3. Loss of Sight
- 4. Permanent Total Disablement

Our liability will not exceed £25,000.

5. Temporary Total Disablement

Our liability will not exceed £250 per week

6. Temporary Partial Disablement

Our liability will not exceed £62.50 per week.

# **Extensions**

The following Extensions apply to this Special Extension.

# **Counselling Costs**

If any **Insured Person** sustains **Injury** consequent upon robbery or hold up or any attempt thereat in the course of the **Business We** will pay the fees for professional counselling when recommended by a qualified medical practitioner.

Our liability will not exceed:

- (a) £1,000 any one **Insured Person** in total for all claims or series of claims, arising out of any one original cause; and
- (b) £5,000 in total for all **Insured Persons** and in total for all claims or series of claims, arising out of any one original cause.

# **Medical Expenses**

If an **Insured Person** incurs medical expenses as a result of **Injury** consequent upon robbery or hold up or any attempt thereat in the course of the **Business We** will pay up to £1,000 in respect of any one **Insured Person**.

#### **Personal Effects**

We will pay for **Damage** to clothing and personal effects belonging to an **Insured Person** as a direct result of robbery or hold up or any attempt thereat in the course of the **Business**.

**Our** liability will not exceed £500 in respect of any one **Insured Person**.

# **Special Conditions**

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

# **Compensation Payment**

- (a) Compensation will not be payable for more than one of the following Death, Loss of Limb, Loss of Sight, Permanent Total Disablement, in respect of any one Insured Person.
- (b) Compensation will not be payable for **Temporary Total Disablement**:
  - (i) until the end of the period of disablement but We will on request make interim payments at intervals of not less than four weeks
  - (ii) for more than 104 weeks from the date of sustaining Injury in respect of any one Injury.
- (c) The total amount payable as compensation for **Temporary Total Disablement** will be deducted from any subsequent compensation payment for Death, **Loss of Limb**, **Loss of Sight**, **Permanent Total Disablement** that follows from the same cause
- (d) The total amount payable as compensation for Temporary Total Disablement or Temporary Partial Disablement or a combination thereof is payable for a maximum of 104 weeks from the date of commencement of the first of these injuries to occur
- (e) Compensation for Temporary Total Disablement or Temporary Partial Disablement shall be payable when the total amount has been agreed or at Your request at intervals or not less than four weeks (but not in advance) commencing four weeks after receipt of written notice of any Injury by Us
- (f) Compensation for Temporary Partial Disablement is payable at a rate of 25% of the amount payable as compensation for Temporary Total Disablement.

# **Medical Evidence**

- (a) In the event of any disablement the **Insured Person** will place themselves under the care of a qualified medical practitioner and as often as required submit to a medical examination on
  **Our** behalf at **Our** expense
- (b) In the event of Death of an Insured Person
  We will be entitled to have a post mortem examination at Our expense
- (c) All certificate, information and evidence required by **Us** will be furnished at **Your** expense and in the form and nature as **We** require.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- illness or disease not resulting from Injury or suffering from Injury due to any gradually operating cause
- 2. Death or disablement arising from or attributable to intentional self-injury, provoked assault or wilful exposure to needless peril (except in an attempt to save human life)
- 3. Death or disablement contributed to or accelerated by the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs taken by the **Insured Person** (other than for drugs taken under medical supervision unless for the treatment of drug or alcohol addiction) or insanity (whether temporary or otherwise).

# **SECTION 7: GOODS IN TRANSIT**

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# Property

Merchandise, goods and **Tools** belonging to **You** or for which **You** are responsible, relating to the **Business**.

# **Territorial Limits**

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and the Republic of Ireland including sea or air transits between these territories.

# Tools

Tools, tool kits or test equipment which **You** own or are hired by **You** or used by **You** in connection with the **Business** and for which **You** are responsible.

# Transit

(a) **Property** carried on **Vehicles** owned by or operated by **You**.

Whilst the **Property** is being loaded upon, carried by, temporarily housed upon or being unloaded from the **Vehicle** including the use of recognised 'roll-on roll-off' vehicle ferries provided no unloading or reloading of the **Vehicle** is involved and concluding when the **Property** has either been placed at the **Premises** or receipt acknowledged by the consignee.

(b) Property transported by a carrier other than You by means of road, rail or inland air freight.

Whilst the **Property** is in the custody or control of the carrier until delivered to the consignee's premises and receipt acknowledged or in the case of return transit placed at **Your Premises**.

# Cover

We will pay for **Damage** to **Property** whilst in the course of **Transit** within the **Territorial Limits** including whilst loading and unloading.

**Our** liability will not exceed the amount shown in the **Schedule** for each item.

# **Extensions**

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### **Additional Vehicles**

We will pay for **Damage** to **Property** in any additional **Vehicle** not specified in the **Schedule** provided that **You** advise **Us** of the acquisition of such additional **Vehicle** within 21 days of its acquisition and pay any additional premium required by **Us**.

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

# **Clothing and Personal Effects**

We will pay for **Damage** to clothing and personal effects belonging to the driver or attendant whilst carried in any **Vehicle** which is conveying **Property** in **Transit**, up to an amount not exceeding £500 per person any one occurrence.

# **Contract Price**

In respect of goods sold but not delivered for which You are legally responsible and where the sale contract is cancelled by reason of **Damage** then **Our** liability will be based on the contract price. For the purpose of the General Condition Average the sum insured will be calculated on the same basis.

# Expenses

**We** will pay the costs and expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred in:

- (a) the removal of debris and site clearance following **Damage** to the **Property** in **Transit**
- (b) the transfer of the **Property** to another **Vehicle** and its delivery to the original destination or place of collection, following fire, collision or overturning of the **Vehicle** or impact with any object by the **Vehicle**

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

# **SECTION 7: GOODS IN TRANSIT**

#### Free On Board

We will pay for **Damage** to **Property** occurring during the **Period of Insurance** within the **Territorial Limits** whilst at dockside, airside or temporary warehousing until placed on board the export ship or aircraft provided that **You** are responsible by agreement for the **Property** prior to delivery. Cover applies for a period of up to 30 days from the commencement of **Transit** in respect of any one consignment.

#### Reloading

**We** will pay for the additional costs necessarily incurred in reloading any **Property** in **Transit** which has fallen from the conveying **Vehicle** subject to a limit of £5,000 any one occurrence.

#### **Ropes and Sheets**

We will pay for **Damage** to tarpaulins, sheets, ropes, chains, straps and packing materials owned by **You** or for which **You** are responsible, whilst being carried in or on any **Vehicle** owned or operated by **You**.

#### Substitution of Vehicle

We will pay for **Damage** to **Property** in **Transit** arising out of the use of any **Vehicle** substituted by **You** whilst any **Vehicle** is undergoing service or repair, up to an amount not exceeding the sum insured applicable to the **Vehicle** undergoing service or repair.

#### **Travellers Samples**

We will pay for **Damage** to travellers samples occurring during the **Period of Insurance** within the **Territorial Limits** whilst:

- (a) in or on any Vehicle
- (b) temporarily removed from a **Vehicle** and kept in a locked room or a locked building provided that the travellers samples remain under the custody or control of **You** or **Your Employee**, partner or director.

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

# **Basis of Claims Settlement Clauses**

#### Maximum Amount Payable

The most **We** will pay in respect of any one occurrence will not exceed the sum insured stated

against each item or the total of all sums insured stated against all items insured by this Section as shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Average

Each item of **Property** insured under this Section is similarly but separately subject to Average as specified in General Condition 4.

#### **Basis of Settlement**

The amount payable shall be the value of the **Property** at the time of its **Damage** or at **Our** option the reinstatement or replacement of such **Property** or any part of it.

# Conditions

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

#### **Additional Claims Condition**

In the case of **Transit** by a carrier other than **You** by road, rail or inland air freight or by post, immediately **You** become aware of any occurrence that may give rise to a claim under this Section, **You** shall take all practicable steps to notify the carrier concerned of any **Damage** within the time limits for notification of claims stipulated in the applicable conditions of carriage or contract.

#### **Motor Vehicles**

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

- (a) all **Vehicles** owned or operated by **You** are maintained and kept in a good state of repair and in efficient roadworthy condition and loaded in a safe and appropriate manner
- (b) You comply with Our requests for the installation of any further protections to any Vehicle if specified.

#### Security

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that all keys to any unattended **Vehicle** owned or operated by **You** are removed from such **Vehicle** to a place of safety whenever the **Vehicle** is left loaded.

# **SECTION 7: GOODS IN TRANSIT**

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- 1. claims in respect of or arising out of:
  - (a) depreciation, delay, inadequate documentation, loss of market or consequential loss
  - (b) breakage of china, glass or other brittle articles unless caused by fire, theft or an accident involving the Vehicle
  - (c) the carriage of livestock or other living creatures, organisms or cultures
  - (d) the carriage of explosives or other dangerous goods
  - (e) Property carried by **You** for hire or reward

# 2. Damage to:

- (a) jewellery or watches
- (b) precious metals, precious stones or articles composed of such materials
- (c) wines, spirits, perfumes, tobacco products
- (d) deeds, documents, manuscripts, business books, plans and designs
- (e) computer equipment
- (f) bullion, furs, works of art, **Money**

unless specifically mentioned as insured by this Section

# 3. Damage due to:

- (a) wear and tear
- (b) breakdown of refrigeration and/or insufficient insulation
- (c) marring, scratching or denting, mechanical or electrical defect, failure, breakdown or derangement
- (d) any gradually operating cause, including (but not restricted to) atmospheric or climatic conditions, dry or wet rot, fungus, rust, corrosion, woodworm, moths, insects, vermin or pests

- (e) leakage, spillage, contamination or deterioration unless caused by fire, theft or an accident involving the Vehicle
- (f) defective or inadequate packing or labelling
- 4. In respect of any **Vehicle**:
  - (a) Damage by theft or attempted theft from any unattended Vehicle, being any Vehicle with no person in charge or keeping the Vehicle under observation and able to observe or prevent any attempt by any person to interfere with the Vehicle, unless:
    - all windows and other openings have been closed, all doors have been secured and any other protective devices put into full and effective operation
    - (ii) Overnight or after the completion of any Working Day of the Driver all windows and other openings have been closed and the Vehicle is locked and garaged in a secure building or compound
  - (b) Damage to Property conveyed in any soft or open topped or soft or open sided Vehicle caused by:
    - (i) theft or attempted theft unless caused by or arising from theft or attempted theft of the conveying **Vehicle**
    - (ii) storm, tempest or flood or malicious damage
- 5. **Damage** by theft or attempted theft from an unattended building unless all security devices are put into full and effective operation and such theft or attempted theft involves forcible and violent entry to or exit from the building
- 6. losses not directly associated with the incident that caused **You** to claim
- 7. the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule**.

Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# Acting in Collusion

All circumstances where 2 or more **Employees** are concerned or implicated together or materially assist each other in committing the acts of **Dishonesty**.

# Any One Claim

All acts of **Dishonesty** throughout the continuation of this insurance (or any insurance issued in substitution thereof or for which this insurance is substituted) committed by one individual **Employee** or **Employees Acting in Collusion**.

# Employee

- Any person:
- (a) under a contract of service or apprenticeship with **You**
- (b) while working under Your control in connection with the Business who is under a work experience or training scheme
- (c) who is a director of **Yours** if such person:
  - (i) is also employed by **You** under a contract of service and
  - (ii) owns or controls no more than 5% of the issued share capital of Your company or of any subsidiary of Your company.
- (d) who is retired from full-time employment with You and who is working for You as a consultant under Your control or direction.

Provided that person is normally resident within the **Territorial Limits**.

# Dishonesty

Any act of fraud or dishonesty by any **Employees** committed with the clear intent of obtaining an improper financial gain for themselves or for any other person or organisation intended by the **Employees** to receive such gain (other than salaries, fees, commission or other employee benefit earned in the normal course of employment).

# Cover

We will pay You for direct loss of Money or property belonging to You or for which You are responsible caused by any act of **Dishonesty** committed during the **Period of Insurance** in connection with the **Business** by any **Employees** discovered and notified to **Us** no later than 12 months after:

- (a) the expiry of any **Period of Insurance** in which the act of **Dishonesty** was committed; or
- (b) the termination of this insurance; or
- (c) the cessation of the employment in respect of any **Employees** identified in such loss

whichever occurs first.

# **Basis of Claims Settlement**

The amount payable shall be the value of the **Money** or property at the time of the loss or, at **Our** option, the replacement or reinstatement of the property.

# Limit of Liability

Our liability under this Section shall not exceed:

- (a) in respect of Any One Claim caused by one Employee or Employees Acting in Collusion the Limit of Liability stated in the Schedule
- (b) in respect of any one **Period of Insurance** the aggregate Limit of Liability stated in the **Schedule**.

# **Extensions**

#### The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### **Auditors Fees**

We will pay the cost of any professional audit to substantiate the amount of loss provided that those costs are incurred with **Our** prior written consent.

# **Reinstatement of Electronic Data Cover**

We will pay for the reasonable cost of rewriting or amending any computer software programs or security codes, so as to prevent recurrence of **Dishonesty** arising from the fraudulent use of computer hardware, software programs or systems and which was the subject of a claim under this Section.

# Conditions

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

# **Cessation of Cover**

Upon discovery of **Dishonesty** by an **Employee** all indemnity under this Section in relation to further **Dishonesty** by such **Employee** shall cease with immediate effect.

# Claims (Action by You)

On the discovery of any act which may give rise to a claim **You** must:

- (a) notify **Us** immediately or at the latest within 14 days
- (b) notify the police authority immediately and assist in taking all practical steps to identify the **Employee** responsible and to trace and recover the **Money** and/or property
- (c) carry out and permit to be taken any action which may be reasonably practicable to prevent further loss
- (d) deliver to Us at Your own expense within 30 days after such act or such further time as We may allow:
  - (i) full information in writing of the **Money** and/or property lost and the amount of the loss
  - (ii) details of any other insurances on any **Money** or property hereby insured
  - (iii) all such proofs and information relating to the claim as may be reasonably required
  - (iv) if demanded a statutory declaration of the truth of the claim and of any matters connected with it.

No claim under this Section shall be payable unless the terms of this Section Condition have been complied with.

# Employee's Money

Any monies owed by **You** to an **Employee** found responsible for **Dishonesty** must be withheld and such sum will be deducted from any payment made by **Us**.

# Minimum Standards of Control

Unless **We** agree in writing to any alteration, the following Minimum Standards of Control must be maintained in force and adhered to by **You**.

(a) All **Employees** must be instructed as to their duties and responsibilities in respect of the Minimum Standards of Control and compliance enforced

# (b) Audit

**Your** accounts must be independently audited every twelve months by external auditors and any recommendations on internal controls implemented.

# (c) Banking

- (i) You must operate a system of dual control and independent validation for all payments from bank accounts, including the drawing and signing of cheques and the use of electronic funds transfers
- (ii) You must operate a system of dual control over the opening of new bank accounts or amending approved signatory details
- (iii) Bank statements must be reconciled at least monthly independently of **Employees** permitted to receive or make payments, draw or sign cheques, or transfer funds electronically.

# (d) Computer Systems Control

- (i) All computer operations and security precautions must have been vetted by professional auditors and any recommendations made fully complied with
- (ii) All Employees with access to wage, accounts or stock control functions must have a secure individual password to access the system which must be changed at least every month
- (iii) All computer media (disc tapes etc) in respect of wages, accounts or stock control must be securely stored in locked cabinets when not in use by authorised Employees
- (iv) All amendments to computer system programs and authorisation levels must be approved independently of the persons making the amendment
- (v) All passwords must be withdrawn when **Employees** leave.

# (e) Contracts Control

- (i) You must ensure that no single **Employee** can control the process of appointing suppliers and/or awarding contracts from commencement to completion, without referral to others
- (ii) Responsibility for the ordering of stock and materials, the recording of receipt and the authorising of payment for them, must be performed by different **Employees** acting independently.

# (f) Money

- (i) Cash Receipts Employees are required to pay in daily all cash and cheques received in the course of the Business.
   Money received must be paid over to the employer or banked
- (ii) Cash and Petty Cash Cash in hand and petty cash must be checked independently of **Employees** responsible for receiving or holding the cash, at least monthly and additionally without warning every 6 months
- (iii) Reconciliation bank statements, stamped bank paying slips, receipts, counterfoils and vouchers must be checked at least monthly against cash book entries and the balance tested with cash and unpresented cheques. This must be done independently of the **Employee**:
  - making the cash book entries
  - signing cheques
  - paying into the bank
- (iv) Cheques signing all cheques or other bank instruments drawn for more than £10,000 must be manually signed by two authorised persons after the amount has been inserted. You must have advised Your bankers of the above requirements as to signatures
- (v) No cheque or instrument must be signed until one signatory has validated the requisition, examined the supporting documentation and ensured the payee is a genuine client or creditor
- (vi) Wages wages and salary sheets must be checked independently of the Employee responsible for their preparation to ensure that the amounts are correct and that no fictitious names have been included.

# (g) Statements of Account Control

- (i) Statements of account for all sums due must be issued at least monthly and direct to customers independently of **Employees** receiving payments
- (ii) Management actions must be taken at least monthly to examine sales receipts and outstanding customer accounts and any variances against budget or expected income investigated.

# (h) Stock Controls

Stock is to be independently and physically checked at least once every twelve months by **Employees** not responsible for daily stock handling or ordering and accounted for against stock records.

# (i) Termination of Service

Immediately upon the termination of service of any **Employee**, **You** must take all reasonable precautions to prevent **Dishonesty** arising, including but not limited to:

- the changing of all alarm and other security codes or passwords the Employee had or may have had knowledge of
- (ii) the deletion or invalidation of any access codes or passwords the **Employee** has to access computer or other systems.

No claim under this Section shall be payable unless the terms of this Condition have been complied with.

# Other Insurances

If at the time any claim arises under this Section of the policy there is any other insurance, indemnity or guarantee covering the same loss, **We** shall not be liable except to the extent of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other insurance, indemnity or guarantee had this Section of the policy not been effected.

# **Recovery Condition**

Any recoveries obtained by **You** less any costs incurred in recovery will be applied in the following order:

 (a) in the event that Your claim has exceeded the Limit of Liability, firstly to the benefit of You to reduce or extinguish the amount of Your loss (but not in respect of the amount of the Excess)

- (b) in reduction of the loss suffered by **Us** to the extent of the claim paid or payable
- (c) in reduction of the loss suffered by **You** for the amount of the **Excess** under this Section of the policy.

# References

**You** must obtain satisfactory references to confirm the honesty of each **Employee** who will be responsible for **Money**, property, accounts, computer operations or computer programming.

Such references must be obtained directly from former employers for the three years immediately preceding engagement and before the **Employee** is entrusted without supervision. Any gaps in service must be accounted for.

References need not be obtained in respect of **Employees** who have satisfactorily and continuously served **You** for at least three years in another capacity before being entrusted with the duties referred to above.

In respect of **Employees** joining directly from school, college, university or Government sponsored youth training schemes or returning to work after a gap of more than three years, one character reference shall be obtained.

A written report of any verbal reference shall be made at the time it is obtained. The original copy of each written reference and the record of any verbal reference shall be retained by **You** and shall be made available for inspection upon request by **Us**.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover:

- 1. any unexplained shortages
- loss of interest, loss of profits or any indirect loss resulting from any acts of Dishonesty
- 3. loss caused by an **Employee** before the cover for such **Employee** incepted
- loss where You continue to entrust the defaulting Employee with access to Money and/or property, after becoming aware of any material fact that questions the honesty of the Employee
- 5. loss arising from malicious damage including computer viruses, worms, trojan horses and the like
- loss arising from any act or acts of Dishonesty committed by an Employee who You have continued to employ after discovering a prior act of Dishonesty committed by the same Employee
- 7. loss arising from any act of **Dishonesty** committed by any **Employee** who **You** are unable to identify by name
- 8. the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule**.

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# Act of Terrorism

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

#### **Computer System**

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

#### **Consequential Loss**

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

# Damage

Loss or destruction of or damage.

#### Data

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

# **Denial of Service Attack**

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

#### Event

All individual losses arising in respect of a continuous period of 72 hours of which the proximate cause is the same **Act of Terrorism**. The date and time that any such period of 72 hours shall commence shall be set by **Us**.

#### Hacking

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

#### **Nuclear Installations**

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

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

#### **Nuclear Reactors**

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

#### Phishing

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

# **Territorial Limits**

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

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

#### Virus or Similar Mechanism

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

# Cover

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

Cover is applicable to the following Sections when shown as insured in **Your Schedule**:

Property Damage, Business Interruption, Specified All Risks, Money and Goods In Transit.

# **Basis of Settlement**

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

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

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

# **Maximum Period**

The **Period of Insurance** provided by this Section shall be to a maximum of 12 months from the Effective Date or Renewal Date of this policy. Any subsequent period of cover of 12 months, or part thereof, provided by this Section shall be deemed to constitute a separate **Period of Insurance**, provided that:

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

# Conditions

It is agreed that:

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

# Exclusions

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

- 1. caused by or contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from riot, civil commotion, war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power
- 2. caused by or contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from:
  - (a) Damage to any Computer System or
  - (b) any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure or corruption of **Data**

in each case whether **Your** property or not, where such loss is directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to, by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from **Virus or Similar Mechanism** or **Hacking** or **Phishing** or **Denial of Service Attack**.

This Exclusion shall not apply in respect of:

- Damage which itself results (i) directly (or, solely as regards to (ii) (c) below, indirectly) from fire, explosion, flood, escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe (including any sprinkler system), impact of aircraft or any aerial devices or articles dropped from them, impact of any sea-going or water-going vessel or of any vehicle whatsoever or of any goods or cargo carried in or on such vessel or vehicle, **Damage** to or movement of buildings or structures, plant or machinery other than any Computer System; and
- (ii) comprises:
  - (a) the cost of reinstatement, replacement or repair in respect of **Damage** to **Your** Property; or

- (b) Consequential Loss as a direct result of Damage to Your Property or as a direct result of denial, prevention or hindrance of access to or use of the Premises by reason of an Act of Terrorism causing Damage to other Property within one mile of the Premises to which access is affected; or
- (c) the amount of loss caused by the cancellation, abandonment, postponement, interruption, curtailment or relocation of an event as a result of **Damage** to **Your** Property and any additional costs or charges reasonably and necessarily paid by **You** to avoid or diminish such loss;

and

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

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

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

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

 (a) directly resulting from Damage to Property to the extent that such
 Damage within the meaning of sub- paragraph 2. (ii) directly results from any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure or corruption of Data

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

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

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

Other than:

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

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

# Compensation

Damages including interest.

#### **Costs and Expenses**

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

# **Offshore Installation**

#### Any:

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

# Cover

We will indemnify You against:

 legal liability to pay Compensation to any Employee

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

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

#### Limit of Indemnity

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

# **Extensions**

#### The following Extensions apply to this Section.

# **Contractual Liability**

Liability assumed by **You** under contract or agreement which would not have attached in the absence of such contract or agreement will be the subject of indemnity under this Section provided that:

- (a) We shall retain sole conduct and control of any claim
- (b) You shall arrange for such other parties as may be indemnified by any such contract or agreement, to observe and fulfil the terms and conditions of this insurance so far as they can apply.

We will not indemnify any person or entity falling within the definition of the **Policyholder** other than You for any contractual liability, unless such liability would have attached in the absence of any contract or agreement.

# Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) legal costs and expenses incurred with **Our** prior written consent and
- (b) prosecution costs awarded against **You** in the defence of criminal proceedings including an appeal against conviction arising from such

and

proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 as a result of any death to an **Employee** happening in connection with the **Business** during the **Period of Insurance** and which may be the subject of payment under this Section provided that:

- (i) **Our** liability will not exceed £5,000,000 during any one **Period of Insurance**
- (ii) all amounts payable under this Extension will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule
- (iii) where We have already provided a payment in respect of any legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 arising out of the same occurrence which give rise to such proceedings any amount paid or payable by Us will be deducted from the amount payable under this Section
- (iv) We agreed in writing to the appointment of any solicitor or counsel who is to act on Your behalf prior to their appointment.

We will not be liable for:

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

(g) costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country other than Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

# **Court Attendance Compensation**

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

- (a) You, any director or business partner £750
- (b) any Employee £250

#### **Cross Liabilities**

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

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

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

We will not be liable for:

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

#### Indemnity to Other Persons

We will at Your request indemnify:

- (a) any of Your directors, partners or Employees
- (b) any officer, committee member or other person employed by Your catering, social, sports, educational or welfare organisations or first-aid, medical, ambulance, fire or security services

- (c) any director, partner or official for whom with Your consent an Employee is undertaking private work
- (d) any principal or public or local authority as far as is necessary to meet the requirements of any contract or agreement entered into by You for the performance of work
- (e) any legal representative of any of the above in the event of their death

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

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

# **Unsatisfied Court Judgements**

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

Provided that:

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

# Conditions

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

#### Certificate of Employers' Liability Insurance

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

#### **Discharge of Liability**

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

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

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

#### **Our Right of Recovery**

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

# **Exclusions**

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

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

- 1. **Bodily Injury** to any **Employee** arising out of the ownership, possession or use by or on **Your** behalf of any mechanically propelled vehicle or trailer if liability is required by any road traffic legislation to be the subject of compulsory insurance or other security
- 2. Bodily Injury to any Employee working in or on any Offshore Installation or any support vessel for any Offshore Installation or whilst in transit to or from any Offshore Installation or support vessel
- 3. fines, penalties or liquidated, punitive or exemplary damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages or other non-compensatory damages
- 4. any liability which is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any other policy except in respect of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other section had this insurance not been effected
- 5. **Bodily Injury** to any **Employee** working in or on:
  - (a) docks, harbours or railways
  - (b) watercraft
  - (c) chemical or petrochemical works, oil or gas refineries or storage facilities
  - (d) aircraft, airports or airfields
  - (e) power stations
  - (f) nuclear power stations
  - (g) any installation where nuclear processing is undertaken
  - (h) towers, steeples, chimney shafts, blast furnaces, viaducts, bridges, flyovers, dams, motorways, quarries, mines or collieries.

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

#### Asbestos

Asbestos, asbestos fibres or any derivatives of asbestos.

# Communicable Disease

- (a) Coronavirus being:
  - (i) any coronavirus; or
  - (ii) any disease caused by any coronavirus; or
  - (iii) any mutation or variation of any coronavirus or of any disease caused by any coronavirus.
- (b) Any other infectious disease in humans which has been determined or declared to:
  - (i) constitute a Public Health Emergency of International Concern under the International Health Regulations (2005) (as amended or replaced from time to time); and/ or
  - (ii) an outbreak identified as a major health incident in the United Kingdom, for which a Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies has been activated by the Cabinet Office Briefing Room.

#### Compensation

Damages including interest.

# **Computer System**

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.

# **Clean Up Costs**

- (a) Testing for or monitoring of **Pollution or Contamination**
- (b) The costs of **Remediation** required by any **Enforcing Authority** to a standard reasonably achievable by the methods available at the time that such **Remediation** commences.

#### **Costs and Expenses**

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

# Cyber Act

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

- (a) 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
- (b) 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.

#### Data

Information, facts, concepts, code or any other information of any kind that is recorded or transmitted in a form to be used, accessed, processed, transmitted or stored by a **Computer System**.

#### **Enforcing Authority**

Any government or statutory authority or body implementing or enforcing environmental protection legislation within the **Territorial Limits**.

# **Offshore Installation**

Any:

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

# Remediation

# Remedying the effects of **Pollution or**

**Contamination** including primary, complementary and compensatory actions as specified in the Environmental Damage (Prevention and Remediation) Regulations 2009.

# Cover

We will indemnify You against:

1. legal liability to pay Compensation

and

# 2. Costs and Expenses

in respect of:

- (a) accidental Bodily Injury to any person
- (b) Damage to material property
- (c) accidental nuisance or trespass, obstruction, loss of amenities or interference with any right of way, light, air or water
- (d) wrongful arrest, detention, imprisonment or eviction of any person, malicious prosecution or invasion of the right of privacy

occurring in connection with the **Business**:

- (i) during the Period of Insurance
- (ii) within the Territorial Limits
- (iii) within any member country of the European Union in respect of any journey or temporary visit in connection with the **Business** by **You** or any of **Your** directors, partners or **Employees** normally resident within the **Territorial Limits**

(iv) elsewhere in the world in respect of any journey or temporary visit in connection with the Business by You or any of Your directors, partners or Employees normally resident within the Territorial Limits, provided such journey or visit is not for the purpose of performing manual work.

# Limit of Indemnity

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

Our liability under this Section for all Compensation payable in respect of all occurrences arising directly or indirectly from Communicable Disease during any one Period of Insurance and in the aggregate shall not exceed £1,000,000 inclusive of all Costs and Expenses. This limit will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule.

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

# Extensions

# The following Extensions apply to this Section.

# **Contingent Motor Liability**

Notwithstanding Exclusion 2(b) **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of liability arising out of the use in the course of the **Business** of any vehicle not belonging to or provided by **You**.

Provided **We** will not be liable:

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

# **Contractual Liability**

Liability assumed by **You** under contract or agreement which would not have attached in the absence of such contract or agreement will be the subject of indemnity under this Section provided that:

- (a) We shall retain sole conduct and control of any claim
- (b) You shall arrange for such other parties as may be indemnified by any such contract or agreement, to observe and fulfil the terms and conditions of this insurance so far as they can apply.

We will not indemnify any person or entity falling within the definition of the **Policyholder** other than You for any contractual liability, unless such liability would have attached in the absence of any contract or agreement.

# Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) legal costs and expenses incurred with **Our** prior written consent and
- (b) prosecution costs awarded against You in the defence of criminal proceedings including an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 as a result of death to any person other than an Employee happening in connection with the Business during the Period of Insurance and which may be the subject of payment under this Section provided that:
  - (i) **Our** liability will not exceed £5,000,000 or the Limit of Indemnity shown in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower, during any one **Period of Insurance**
  - (ii) all amounts payable under this Extension will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule
  - (iii) where **We** have already provided a payment in respect of any legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 arising out

of the same occurrence which give rise to such proceedings any amount paid or payable by **Us** will be deducted from the amount payable under this Section

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

We will not be liable for:

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

# **Court Attendance Compensation**

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

- (a) You, any director or business partner £750
- (b) any **Employee** £250

# **Cross Liabilities**

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

#### Defective Premises Act 1972

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

We will not be liable:

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

# **Environmental Clean Up Costs**

We will indemnify You in respect of all sums including statutory debts that You are legally liable to pay in respect of Clean Up Costs arising from environmental Damage caused by Pollution or Contamination where such liability arises under an environmental directive, statute or statutory instrument.

#### Provided that:

- (a) liability arises from Pollution or Contamination caused by a sudden, identifiable, unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the Period of Insurance. All Pollution or Contamination which arises out of one incident will be deemed to have occurred at the same time such incident takes place
- (b) immediate loss prevention or salvage action is taken and the appropriate authorities are notified
- (c) **We** will not provide indemnity:
  - (i) in respect of Clean Up Costs for Damage to Your land, premises, watercourse or body of water whether owned, leased, hired, tenanted or otherwise in Your care, custody or control
  - (ii) for **Damage** connected with pre-existing contaminated property
  - (iii) for **Damage** caused by a succession of several events where such individual event would not warrant immediate action
  - (iv) in respect of the removal of any risk of an adverse effect on human health on Your land, premises, watercourse or body of water whether owned, leased, hired, tenanted or otherwise in Your care, custody or control

- (v) in respect of costs in achieving an improvement or alteration in the condition of the land, atmosphere or any watercourse or body of water beyond that required under any relevant and applicable law or statutory enactment at the time **Remediation** commences
- (vi) in respect of costs for prevention of imminent threat of environmental
   Damage where such costs are incurred without there being Pollution or
   Contamination caused by a sudden, identifiable, unintended and unexpected incident
- (vii) for **Damage** resulting from an alteration to subterranean stores of groundwater or to flow patterns
- (viii) in respect of costs for the reinstatement or reintroduction of flora or fauna, natural habitats or species
- (ix) for Damage caused deliberately or intentionally by You or where You have knowingly deviated from environmental protection rulings or where You have knowingly omitted to inspect, maintain or perform necessary repairs to plant or machinery for which You are responsible
- (x) in respect of fines or penalties of any kind
- (xi) for Damage caused by the ownership or operation on Your behalf of any mining operations or storage, treatment or disposal of waste or waste products other than caused by composting, purification or pre-treatment of waste water
- (xii) for **Damage** which is covered by a more specific insurance policy
- (xiii) for **Damage** caused by persons aware of the defectiveness or harmfulness of products they have placed on the market or works or other services they have performed
- (xiv) for **Damage** caused by disease in animals belonging to or kept or sold by **You**.

**Our** liability will not exceed the Limit of Indemnity shown in the **Schedule** for any one occurrence and in the aggregate in any one **Period of Insurance** inclusive of all **Costs and Expenses**. This limit will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule**.

# **General Data Protection Regulations**

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

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

**Our** liability shall not exceed £1,000,000 or the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule**, whichever is the lower, during any one **Period of Insurance** inclusive of all **Costs and Expenses**.

# Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

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

We will not be liable for:

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

# Indemnity to Other Persons

We will at Your request indemnify:

- (a) any of **Your** directors, partners or **Employees**
- (b) any officer, committee member or other person employed by Your catering, social, sports, educational or welfare organisations or first-aid, medical, ambulance, fire or security services
- (c) any director, partner or official for whom with Your consent an Employee is undertaking private work
- (d) any principal or public or local authority as far as is necessary to meet the requirements of any contract or agreement entered into by You for the performance of work

(e) any legal representative of any of the above in the event of their death

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

Provided that:

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

# Legionella

Section Exclusion 9 will not apply to any discharge release or escape of Legionella or other airborne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like.

All **Pollution or Contamination** which arises out of or as a consequence of any discharge release or escape of Legionella or other airborne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like will be deemed to have occurred on the date that **You** first become aware of circumstances which have given rise to such **Pollution or Contamination**.

This indemnity only applies to claims first made against **You** during the **Period of Insurance** or within 30 days after the expiry of the **Period of Insurance**. **You** shall give notice in writing to **Us** immediately on becoming aware of circumstances which have given or may give rise to a claim under this Extension.

We will not be liable:

- (a) if before the current **Period of Insurance You** had become aware of circumstances which have or may give rise to such **Pollution or Contamination**
- (b) if You have failed to comply with the Health and Safety Executives Approved Code of Practice – Legionnaires Disease: The control of legionella bacteria in water systems – or any subsequent amending Code of Practice.

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It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that **You** keep records evidencing compliance for **Our** inspection or produce copies of such records immediately on request.

Our liability will not exceed £500,000 for any one occurrence and in the aggregate in any one **Period** of **Insurance** inclusive of all **Costs and Expenses**. This limit will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule**.

#### Libel and Slander

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

Our liability will not exceed £100,000 in any one **Period of Insurance**.

#### Member to Member Liability

We will indemnify any member of Your sports or social organisations in respect of liability for accidental **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** to property sustained by fellow members of such organisations while engaged in the activities of such organisations.

#### **Overseas Personal Liability**

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

Provided that this indemnity shall not apply in respect of:

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

#### Property in Your Custody or Control

We will indemnify **You** in respect of legal liability for **Damage** to premises including fixtures and fittings leased, hired or rented to **You** or those in **Your** custody or control.

We will not be liable for legal liability under a contract unless legal liability would have attached to You in the absence of such contract.

## Conditions

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

#### **Discharge of Liability**

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

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

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

# **SECTION 11: PUBLIC LIABILITY**

# Exclusions

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

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

- 1. **Bodily Injury** to any **Employee** arising out of and in the course of their employment in the **Business**
- Bodily Injury or Damage arising from the ownership, possession or use by You or on Your behalf of:
  - (a) any aircraft, aerospatial device, hovercraft or watercraft other than hand propelled watercraft and other watercraft not exceeding 7 metres in length
  - (b) any mechanically propelled vehicle (or trailer attached thereto) licensed for road use other than liability arising from:
    - (i) the use of plant as a tool of the trade on site or at the **Premises**
    - (ii) in respect of the loading or unloading of such vehicle; or
    - (iii) the movement of any such vehicle not the property of You which is interfering with the performance of the Business

but this indemnity shall not apply if, in respect of such liability, compulsory insurance or security is required under any legislation governing the use of the vehicle

### 3. Damage to:

- (a) property owned by or leased, hired or rented to You other than as insured under Property in Your Custody or Control Extension of this Section
- (b) property belonging to You or held in Your care, custody or control other than:

- (i) personal property of directors, partners or **Employees**
- (ii) the property of customers or visitors temporarily on or about the **Premise**
- (iii) as insured under Property in Your Custody or Control Extension
- 4. **Products** other than:
  - (a) food or beverages for consumption on the Premises by Your directors, partners, Employees or visitors
  - (b) the disposal of furniture and office equipment originally intended solely for use by **You** in connection with the **Business** and which is no longer required for that purpose
- 5. Damage to Products or the cost of making good or recalling such Products or the cost of rectifying defective work
- 6. Damage to property which You or any of Your Employees are or have been working on
- 7. fines, penalties or liquidated, punitive or exemplary damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages or other noncompensatory damages
- 8. liability arising from or caused by the provision of advice or any plan, design, formula or specification given separately for a fee or for which a fee is normally charged
- 9. liability in respect of **Pollution or Contamination** other than that caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during any one **Period of Insurance** provided that:
  - (a) all **Pollution or Contamination** which arises out of any one incident shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place
  - (b) Our liability for all Compensation payable in respect of all Pollution or Contamination which is deemed to have occurred during any one

# **SECTION 11: PUBLIC LIABILITY**

**Period of Insurance** shall not exceed in the aggregate the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule** 

- (c) this exclusion does not apply to the United States of America and/or Canada and/or their dependencies or trust territories.
- 10. liability in respect of **Pollution or Contamination** occurring in the United States of America and/or Canada and/or their dependencies or trust territories
- liability arising in connection with any visits to or work on any Offshore Installation or any support vessel for any Offshore Installation or whilst in transit to or from any Offshore Installation or support vessel
- 12. (a) exposure to
  - (b) inhalation of
  - (c) fears of the consequences of exposure to or inhalation of
  - (d) the costs incurred by anyone in repairing, removing, replacing, recalling, rectifying, reinstating or managing (including those of any persons under any statutory duty to manage) any property arising out of the presence of

# Asbestos including any products containing Asbestos

- 13. liability directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from or arising out of or in connection with:
  - (a) any Cyber Act or Cyber Incident including but not limited to any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or remediating any Cyber Act or Cyber Incident
  - (b) loss of use, reduction of functionality, repair, replacement, restoration or reproduction of any **Data**, including any amount pertaining to the value of such **Data**
  - This Exclusion shall not apply in respect of:
  - (i) **Bodily Injury**

(ii) physical damage to material property

directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with a **Cyber Act** or a **Cyber Incident** 

- 14. any liability which is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any other policy except in respect of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other section had this insurance not been effected
- 15. **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** to property caused by or in connection with any work on or in:
  - (a) docks, harbours or railways
  - (b) watercraft
  - (c) chemical or petrochemical works, oil or gas refineries or storage facilities
  - (d) aircraft, airports or airfields
  - (e) power stations
  - (f) nuclear power stations
  - (g) any installation where nuclear processing is undertaken
  - (h) towers, steeples, chimney shafts, blast furnaces, viaducts, bridges, flyovers, dams, motorways, quarries, mines or collieries
- 16. the Excess stated in the Schedule.

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

#### Communicable Disease

- (a) Coronavirus being:
  - (i) any coronavirus; or
  - (ii) any disease caused by any coronavirus; or
  - (iii) any mutation or variation of any
  - coronavirus or of any disease caused by any coronavirus.
- (b) Any other infectious disease in humans which has been determined or declared to:
  - (i) constitute a Public Health Emergency of International Concern under the International Health Regulations (2005) (as amended or replaced from time to time); and/ or
  - (ii) an outbreak identified as a major health incident in the United Kingdom, for which a Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies has been activated by the Cabinet Office Briefing Room.

#### Compensation

Damages including interest.

#### **Computer System**

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.

#### **Costs and Expenses**

- (a) Claimants' legal costs for which **You** are legally liable
- (b) All costs and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent in defending any claim

(c) The solicitor's fees incurred with **Our** written consent for representation at proceedings in any court of summary jurisdiction in respect of any alleged act causing or relating to any occurrence which may be the subject of indemnity under this Section or at any coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry.

### Cyber Act

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**

- (a) 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
- (b) 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.

#### Data

Information, facts, concepts, code or any other information of any kind that is recorded or transmitted in a form to be used, accessed, processed, transmitted or stored by a **Computer System**.

#### Cover

We will indemnify You against:

1. legal liability to pay **Compensation** 

and

#### 2. Costs and Expenses

in respect of:

- (a) accidental **Bodily Injury** to any person
- (b) Damage to material property

occurring anywhere in the world during the **Period of Insurance** and caused by any **Products** supplied in or from the **Territorial Limits**.

#### Limit of Indemnity

Our liability to pay Compensation in respect of all occurrences during any one Period of Insurance shall not exceed the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule.

**Our** liability under this Section for all **Compensation** payable in respect of all occurrences arising directly or indirectly from **Communicable Disease** during any one **Period of Insurance** and in the aggregate shall not exceed £1,000,000 inclusive of all **Costs and Expenses**. This limit will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule**.

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

# Extensions

The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### **Consumer Protection and Food Safety Acts**

We will indemnify You and at Your request any of Your directors, Your partners or Employees against costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent in connection with the defence of any proceedings or an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought for a breach of:

- (a) Part 2 of the Consumer Protection Act 1987 or
- (b) Section(s) 7, 8, 14 and/or 15 of the Food Safety Act 1990

committed or alleged to have been committed in the course of the **Business** during the **Period of Insurance**.

We will not be liable for:

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

# Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) legal costs and expenses incurred with **Our** prior written consent and
- (b) prosecution costs awarded against You in the defence of criminal proceedings including an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 as a result of death to any person other

than an **Employee** happening in connection with the **Business** during the **Period of Insurance** and which may be the subject of payment under this Section provided that:

- (i) Our liability will not exceed £5,000,000 or the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule, whichever is the lower, during any one Period of Insurance
- (ii) all amounts payable under this Extension will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule
- (iii) where We have already provided a payment in respect of any legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 arising out of the same occurrence which give rise to such proceedings any amount paid or payable by Us will be deducted from the amount payable under this Section
- (iv) We agreed in writing to the appointment of any solicitor or counsel who is to act on Your behalf prior to their appointment.

We will not be liable for:

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

(g) costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country outside the **Territorial Limits**.

#### **Court Attendance Compensation**

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

- (a) You, any director or business partner £750
- (b) any **Employee** £250

#### **Cross Liabilities**

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

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

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

We will not be liable for:

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

## Conditions

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

#### **Discharge of Liability**

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

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

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

# **Exclusions**

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

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

- 1. **Bodily Injury** to any **Employee** arising out of and in the course of their employment in the **Business**
- a contract unless legal liability would have attached to You in the absence of such contract
- 3. legal liability arising from or caused by the provision of advice or any plan, design, formula or specification given separately for a fee or for which a fee is normally charged
- 4. liability caused by or arising from property in **Your** care, custody or control
- 5. Damage to Products or the cost of making good or recalling such Products or the cost of rectifying defective work
- 6. liquidated damages, fines or penalties
- 7. punitive, exemplary or aggravated damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages

- 8. all liability in respect of **Pollution or Contamination** other than that caused by a sudden identifiable unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during any one **Period of Insurance** provided that:
  - (a) Pollution or Contamination which arises out of any one incident shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place
  - (b) Our liability for all Compensation payable in respect of all Pollution or Contamination which is deemed to have occurred during any one Period of Insurance shall not exceed in the aggregate the Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule
  - (c) this exclusion does not apply to the United States of America and/or Canada and/or their dependencies or trust territories.
- 9. liability in respect of **Pollution or Contamination** occurring in the United States of America and/or Canada and/or their dependencies or trust territories
- 10. **Products** which with **Your** knowledge are exported directly or indirectly to the United States of America or Canada
- 11. any **Products** which with **Your** knowledge are used in the aircraft, space, petrochemical, gas, offshore, ship building and repair or nuclear industries
- 12. any **Products** which with **Your** knowledge are to be used in the motor industry other than those not affecting the safety, stability, steering or braking of the vehicle
- liability caused by or arising from
  Products where the action is brought against You in any country not being a member of the European Union where
   You have a branch or a parent or a subsidiary company or are represented by a person or company holding Your Power of Attorney

- 14. liability directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from or arising out of or in connection with:
  - (a) any Cyber Act or Cyber Incident including but not limited to any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or remediating any Cyber Act or Cyber Incident
  - (b) loss of use, reduction of functionality, repair, replacement, restoration or reproduction of any **Data**, including any amount pertaining to the value of such **Data**

This Exclusion shall not apply in respect of:

- (i) **Bodily Injury**
- (ii) physical damage to material property

directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with a **Cyber Act** or a **Cyber Incident** 

- 15. any liability which is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any other policy except in respect of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other section had this insurance not been effected
- 16. the **Excess** stated in the **Schedule**.

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

## Welcome to DAS

The insurance and additional services provided under this Section are administered and underwritten by DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited (**'DAS**').

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

To make sure that **You** get the most from **Your DAS** cover, please take time to read this Section which explains the contract between **You** and **Us**. Please take extra care in following the procedures throughout the policy and in particular those applying to insured incident Employment Disputes and Compensation Awards cover.

#### How this Section of Your policy can help

Please find below information about the services this Section of **Your** policy offers and details of how to make a claim.

If You wish to speak to Us about:

- Legal Advice You can get telephone legal advice on any legal issue affecting Your Business.
- Insurance Claims You can report a claim 24/7.
- Tax Advice dedicated tax advisers can provide advice on tax issues affecting Your Business.

Please phone **Us** on 0330 024 2364. **We** will ask **You** about **Your** legal issue and if necessary call **You** back to deal with **Your** query.

#### **Reporting a Claim**

#### Important Information

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

#### Report Your Claim

 Call Us on 0330 024 2364, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week Have Your policy number ready and We'll ask
 You about Your claim

#### We will assess the Claim

- To check **Your** claim is covered by **Your** policy
- And, if it is, **We** will send it to a lawyer who specialises in **Your** type of claim

#### The Lawyer will

• Assess **Your** case and tell **You** how likely it is **You** will win

#### If You are more likely than not to win, the Lawyer will

Manage the case from start to finish

Please note this is an overview of the claims process for guidance purposes only. **Our** claims handlers can answer any questions **You** may have when they receive **Your** claim, alternatively **You** can visit www.das.co.uk/legal-protection/how-to-claim

#### **Employment Manual**

The DAS Employment Manual offers comprehensive, up to date guidance on rapidly changing employment law. To view it, please visit www.dasinsurance.co.uk/employment-manual. If **You**'d like notifications of when updates are made to the Employment Manual, please email **Us** at employmentmanual@das.co.uk and quote **TS5/6912401**.

#### DAS Business Law

DAS Businesslaw contains a range of regularly updated business and legal guides, document builders, interactive checklists and videos that can help **You** with the day-to-day running of **Your Business**, including comprehensive, current guidance on employment law, as well as helping **You** to manage its exposure to legal risk.

DAS Businesslaw's document builders can help **You** quickly create documents such as:

- HR policies
- T&C documentation
- Privacy statements
- Copyright and trademark licences
- Data protection policy
- Employee contracts
- Debt recovery letters.

In addition, DAS Businesslaw contains hundreds of regularly updated expert guides and videos on topics such as branding, crowdfunding, financial and tax planning, and marketing strategy to help build and grow **Your Business**.

#### How do I get started?

- 1. Visit www.dasbusinesslaw.co.uk;
- 2. Enter **DASBCOV100** into the 'voucher code' text box and press Validate Voucher;
- Fill out Your name and email address, create a password, and specify what type of Business You have;
- 4. Validate **Your** email address by pressing the link in the confirmation email that **You** receive.

# Definitions

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

#### **Appointed Representative**

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

#### **Costs and Expenses**

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

#### **Countries Covered**

(a) For insured incidents Legal Defence (excluding 5. Statutory Notice Appeals and 7. Disciplinary Hearings), and Personal Injury:

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the European Union, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Albania, Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Gibraltar, Iceland, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland and Turkey (b) For all other insured incidents:

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

#### DAS Standard Terms of Appointment

The terms and conditions (including the amount **We** will pay to an **Appointed Representative**) that apply to the relevant type of claim, which could include a conditional fee agreement (no win, no fee).

Where a law firm is acting on **Your** behalf the amount **We** will pay is currently £100 per hour. This amount may vary from time to time.

### Date of Occurrence

- (a) For civil cases (other than as specified under (c) to (f) below), the date of the event that leads to a claim. If there is more than one event arising at different times from the same originating cause, the Date of Occurrence is the date of the first of these events. (This is the date the event happened, which may be before the date You or an Insured Person first became aware of it.)
- (b) For criminal cases, the date the **Insured Person** began, or is alleged to have begun to break the law
- (c) For insured incident Statutory Licence Appeal, the date when You first became aware of the proposal by the relevant licensing or regulatory authority to suspend, alter the terms of, refuse to renew or cancel Your licence, mandatory registration or British Standard Certificate of Registration
- (d) For insured incident Tax Protection, the date when HM Revenue & Customs, or the relevant authority, first notifies You of its intention to carry out an enquiry. For VAT Dispute or Employer Compliance Disputes, the date the dispute arises during the Period of Insurance following the issue of an assessment, written decision or notice of a civil penalty
- (e) For insured incident Legal Defence 5. Statutory Notice Appeals, the date when the **Insured Person** is issued with the relevant notice and has the right to appeal
- (f) For insured incident Legal Defence 7. Disciplinary Hearings, the date the **Insured Person** first became aware of the formal investigation or disciplinary hearing against them.

### **Employer Compliance Dispute**

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

#### **Insured** Person

You and the directors, partners, managers, Employees and any other individuals declared to Us by You.

#### Period of Insurance

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

### Preferred Law Firm

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

#### **Reasonable Prospects**

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

## Tax Enquiry

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

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

## VAT Dispute

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

### We, Us, Our, DAS

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited.

# **Our Agreement**

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

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

# What We will pay

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

- 1. the most **We** will pay in respect of all claims resulting from one or more event arising at the same time or from the same originating cause, for **Costs and Expenses** and compensation awards claims, is shown as the Limit of Liability in the policy **Schedule**
- 2. the most **We** will pay for the total of all compensation awards under insured incident Employment Disputes and Compensation Awards 2. Compensation Awards in any one **Period of Insurance** shall not exceed £1,000,000
- 3. the most **We** will pay in **Costs and Expenses** is no more than the amount **We** would have paid to a **Preferred Law Firm** or tax consultancy. The amount **We** will pay a law firm (where acting on **Your** behalf) is currently £100 per hour. This amount may vary from time to time
- in respect of an appeal or the defence of an appeal, You must tell Us as soon as possible and within the statutory time limits allowed that You want to appeal. Before We pay the Costs and Expenses for appeals, We must agree that Reasonable Prospects exist
- for an enforcement of judgment to recover money and interest due to You after a successful claim under this Section We must agree that Reasonable Prospects exist
- 6. where an award of damages is the only legal remedy to a dispute and the cost of pursuing legal action is likely to be more than any award of damages, the most **We** will pay in **Costs and Expenses** is the value of the likely award, and
- in respect of insured incident Legal Defence
  Jury Service and Court Attendance the maximum We will pay is the Insured Person's net salary or wages for the time that the Insured Person is attending court or tribunal, less any amount You, the court or tribunal pays.

## What We will not pay

 In the event of a claim, if You decide not to use the services of a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy, You will be responsible for any costs that fall outside the DAS Standard Terms of Appointment and these will not be paid by Us.

- 2. If **You** are registered for VAT **We** will not pay the VAT element of any **Costs and Expenses**.
- 3. The first £500 of any contract dispute claim where the amount in dispute exceeds £5,000 (including VAT). If You are using a Preferred Law Firm, You will be asked to pay this within 21 days of Your claim having been assessed as having Reasonable Prospects. If You are using Your own law firm, this will be within 21 days of their appointment (following confirmation Your claim has Reasonable Prospects). If You do not pay this amount the cover for Your claim could be withdrawn.

## **Insured Incidents**

### **Employment Disputes and Compensation Awards**

1. Employment Disputes

Costs and Expenses to defend Your legal rights:

- (a) before the issue of legal proceedings in a court or tribunal:
  - (i) following the dismissal of an **Employee**; or
  - (ii) where an **Employee** or ex-**Employee** has contacted ACAS ('Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service') to commence the Early Conciliation procedure; or
- (b) in unfair dismissal disputes under the ACAS Arbitration Scheme; or
- (c) in legal proceedings in respect of any dispute relating to:
  - (i) a contract of employment with **You**; or
  - (ii) an alleged breach of the statutory rights of an **Employee**, ex-**Employee** or prospective **Employee** under employment legislation.

**We** will not pay for any claim relating to the following:

- 1. unless equivalent legal expenses insurance was continuously in force before:
  - (a) any dispute where the originating cause of action arises within the first 90 days of the commencement of this Section;

- (b) any dispute with an Employee who was subject to a written or oral warning (formal or informal) within 180 days immediately preceding the inception date of this Section if the Date of Occurrence was within the first 180 days of the commencement of this Section and the dispute relates directly to the same matter(s) which gave rise to that warning;
- (c) any notice of redundancy or alleged redundancy or unfair selection for redundancy which occurs within the first 180 days of the commencement of this Section.
- 2. damages for personal injury.
- 3. **Employee** internal disciplinary or grievance procedures.
- 4. pursuing Your legal rights.

### 2. Compensation Awards

We will pay:

- (a) any basic and compensatory award; and/ or
- (b) an order for compensation or damages following a breach of **Your** statutory duties under employment legislation

in respect of a claim **We** have accepted under insured incident 1. Employment Disputes.

Provided that:

- (a) in cases relating to performance and/ or conduct, You have throughout the employment dispute either:
  - (i) followed the ACAS Code of Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures; or
  - (ii) followed equivalent codes of practice issued by the Labour Relations Agency in Northern Ireland; or
  - (iii) sought and followed advice from **Our** legal advice service. (telephone 0330 024 2364)
- (b) for an order of compensation following
  Your breach of statutory duty under employment legislation You have at all times sought and followed advice from
   Our legal advice service since the date
   when You should have known about the employment dispute (telephone 0330 024 2364)

- (c) for any compensation award for redundancy or alleged redundancy or unfair selection for redundancy, You have sought and followed advice from Our legal advice service before starting any redundancy process or procedure with Employees (telephone 0330 024 2364)
- (d) any sum of money in settlement of a dispute is awarded by a court, tribunal or through the ACAS Arbitration Scheme, under a judgment made after full argument and otherwise than by consent or default, or is payable under settlement approved in writing in advance by Us.

Please note that the amount payable by **Us** for all compensation awards and sums of money in settlement of a dispute, in aggregate and in any one **Period of Insurance** is £1,000,000.

**We** will not pay for any claim relating to the following:

- 1. Any compensation award relating to the following:
  - (a) trade union activities, trade union membership or non- membership;
  - (b) pregnancy or maternity rights, paternity, parental or adoption rights;
  - (c) health and safety related dismissals brought under section 44 of the Employment Rights Act 1996;
  - (d) statutory rights in relation to trustees of occupational pension schemes.
- 2. Non-payment of money due under a contract
- Any award ordered because You have failed to provide relevant records to Employees under National Minimum Wage legislation.
- 4. A compensation award or increase in a compensation Award relating to failure to comply with a current or previous recommendation made by a tribunal.
- 5. A settlement agreed and payable following conciliation under the ACAS Early Conciliation procedure.

#### 3. Employee Civil Legal Defence

**Costs and Expenses** to defend the **Insured Person's** (other than **Your**) legal rights if:

- (a) an event arising from their work leads to civil action being taken against them under legislation for unlawful discrimination; or
- (b) civil action is being taken against them as trustee of a pension fund set up for the benefit of **Your Employees**.

Please note that **We** will only provide cover for an **Insured Person** (other than **You**) at **Your** request.

### 4. Service Occupancy

**Costs and Expenses** to recover possession of premises owned by **You**, or for which **You** are responsible, from **Your Employee** or ex-**Employee**.

**We** will not pay for any claim relating to defending **Your** legal rights other than defending a counter-claim that is an insured incident under this Section.

#### Legal Defence

**Costs and Expenses** to defend the **Insured Person's** legal rights:

(provided that for each of the following sections of Legal Defence cover 1–7 **You** request **Us** to provide cover for the **Insured Person**.)

#### 1. Criminal Pre-Proceedings Cover

Prior to the issue of legal proceedings, when dealing with the Police, Health and Safety Executive and/or Local Authority Health and Safety Enforcement Officer where it is alleged that the **Insured Person** has or may have committed a criminal offence Provided that, for claims relating to the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 the **countries covered** shall be any place where the Act applies.

Please note **We** will only cover criminal investigations and/or prosecutions which arise in direct connection with the activities of the **Business** shown in the **Schedule**. Please see **Our Agreement**. We will not pay for any claim relating to:

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

### 2. Criminal Prosecution Defence

Following an event which leads to the **Insured Person** being prosecuted in a court of criminal jurisdiction Provided that, for claims relating to the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 the **Countries Covered** shall be any place where the Act applies.

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

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

### 3. Data Protection

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

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

#### Provided that:

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

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

**We** will not pay for any claim relating the following:

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

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

#### 4. Wrongful Arrest

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

#### 5. Statutory Notice Appeals

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

We will not pay for:

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

#### 6. Jury Service and Court Attendance

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

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

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

We will reimburse You for net salary or wages that You have paid the **Insured Person** for that time, less any amount they have been paid by, or can recover from, the court or tribunal. We will not pay for any claim if You or the Insured Person are unable to prove the loss.

#### 7. Disciplinary Hearings

If an event results in a disciplinary case brought against the **Insured Person** by the relevant authority.

#### **Statutory Licence Appeal**

#### Costs and Expenses for:

An appeal to the relevant statutory or regulatory authority, court or tribunal following a decision by a licensing or regulatory authority to suspend, or alter the terms of, or refuse to renew, or cancel **Your** licence, mandatory registration or British Standard Certificate of Registration.

We will not pay for any claim relating to:

- 1. the original application or renewal application of a statutory licence, mandatory registration or British Standard Certificate of Registration
- 2. the ownership, driving or use of a motor vehicle.

#### **Contract Disputes**

#### Costs and Expenses for:

A contractual dispute arising from an agreement or an alleged agreement which has been entered into by **You** or on **Your** behalf for the purchase, hire, sale or provision of goods or of services.

Provided that:

- (a) the amount in dispute exceeds £500 (incl VAT)
- (b) if the amount in dispute exceeds £5,000 (incl VAT) You must pay the first £500 of any claim. If You are using a Preferred Law Firm, You will be asked to pay this within 21 days of Your claim having been assessed as having Reasonable Prospects. If You are using Your own law firm, this will be within 21 days of their appointment (following confirmation Your claim has Reasonable Prospects). If You do not pay this amount the cover for Your claim could be withdrawn
- (c) if the amount in dispute is payable in instalments, the instalments due and payable at the time of making the claim exceed £500 (incl VAT)
- (d) if the dispute relates to money owed to **You**, a claim under this Section is made within 90 days of the money becoming due and payable.

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

- 1. a dispute arising from an agreement entered into prior to the start of cover under this Section if the **Date of Occurrence** is within the first 90 days of the cover provided by this Section, unless equivalent legal expenses insurance was in force immediately before
- (a) a dispute relating to an insurance policy (We will cover a dispute if Your insurer refuses Your claim, but not for a dispute over the amount of the claim)
  - (b) the sale, purchase, terms of a lease, licence, or tenancy of land or buildings. However, We will cover a dispute with a professional adviser in connection with these matters
  - (c) a loan, mortgage, pension, guarantee or any other financial product. However, **We** will cover a dispute with a professional adviser in connection with these matters
  - (d) a motor vehicle owned by, or hired or leased to You other than agreements relating to the sale of motor vehicles where You are engaged in the business of selling motor vehicles
- 3. a dispute with an **Employee** or ex-**Employee** which arises out of, or relates to, a contract of employment with **You**. (Please refer to insured incident Employment Disputes and Compensation Awards.)
- 4. a dispute which arises out of the:
  - (a) sale or provision of computer hardware, software, systems or services; or
  - (b) the purchase or hire of computer hardware, software, systems or services tailored by a supplier to Your own specification
- 5. a dispute arising from a breach or alleged breach of professional duty by an **Insured Person**
- 6. the recovery of money and interest due from another party, other than disputes where the other party indicates that a defence exists.

### **Tenancy Disputes**

#### Costs and Expenses for:

A civil dispute between **You** and **Your** landlord relating to premises leased or rented by **You**.

We will not pay for any claim relating to:

- 1. the negotiation, review or renewal of the lease or tenancy agreement
- 2. a dispute arising from rent or service charges.

#### **Debt Recovery**

#### Costs and Expenses for:

A dispute relating to the recovery of money and interest due from the sale or provision of goods or services, including enforcement of judgments.

Provided that:

- (a) the debt exceeds £500 (incl VAT)
- (b) a claim is made within 90 days of the money becoming due and payable
- (c) We have the right to select the method of enforcement, or to forego enforcing judgment if We are not satisfied that there are, or will be, sufficient assets available to satisfy judgment.

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

- any debt arising from an agreement entered into prior to the start of the cover under this Section if the debt is due within the first 90 days of the cover provided by the Section, unless equivalent legal expenses insurance was in force immediately before
- 2. (a) the settlement payable under an insurance policy
  - (b) the sale, purchase, terms of a lease, licence, or tenancy of land or buildings
  - (c) a loan, mortgage, pension, guarantee or any other financial product. However, We will cover a dispute with a professional adviser in connection with these matters and choses in action
  - (d) a motor vehicle owned by, or hired or leased to You other than agreements relating to the sale of motor vehicles where You are engaged in the business of selling motor vehicles
- 3. a dispute which arises out of the supply, hire, sale or provision of computer hardware, software, systems or services

- 4. the recovery of money and interest due from another party where the other party indicates that a defence exists
- 5. any dispute which arises from debts **You** have purchased from a third party.

#### **Property Protection**

#### Costs and Expenses for:

A civil dispute relating to physical property which is owned by **You**, or is **Your** responsibility following:

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

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

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

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

#### **Personal Injury**

At **Your** request, **We** will pay **Costs and Expenses** for an **Insured Person's** and their family members' legal rights following a specific or sudden accident that causes the death of, or bodily injury to them. We will not pay for a claim relating to the following:

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

#### **Tax Protection**

#### Costs and Expenses for:

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

Provided that:

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

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

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

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

# Conditions

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

## Arbitration

If there is a disagreement about the handling of a claim and it is not resolved through **Our** internal complaints procedure the Financial Ombudsman Service may be able to help. This is a free complaint resolution service for eligible complaints.(Details available from www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk).

Alternatively, there is a separate arbitration process available that can be used to settle any dispute with **Us**. The arbitrator will be a jointly agreed barrister, solicitor or other suitably qualified person. If there is a disagreement over the choice of arbitrator, **We** will ask the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators to decide. The arbitrator will decide who will pay the costs of the arbitration. For example, costs may be split between the parties or one party may pay all the costs.

## Assessing and Recovering Costs

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

### Cancelling an Appointed Representatives Appointment

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

#### Cancellation

**You** may cancel this Section within 14 days of its inception without any premium charge provided that there have been no claims. If a claim has been reported, no refund of premium will be granted. Thereafter **You** may cancel this Section at any time and **You** will be entitled to a return premium for the exact number of days left on the policy provided that there have been no claims reported. If a claim has been reported no return premium will be granted. If **You** cancel the Legal Expenses Insurance Section **You** must contact **Your** broker.

We may cancel this Section at any time provided that We give You 14 days notice of cancellation and there is a valid reason for doing so. Valid reasons for cancellation include, but are not limited to fraud, dishonesty and any outstanding amount due from You in relation to any claim under the Legal Expenses Insurance Section.

Where **We** cancel this Section **We** will provide a return premium for the exact number of days left on the policy provided that there have been no claims reported. If **We** cancel this Section **We** will write to **You** at **Your** address shown in **Our** records.

## **Expert Opinion**

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

## Fraudulent Claims

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

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

Where the above circumstances apply, as part of **Our** fraud prevention measures **We** will, at **Our** discretion, also share information with other parties such as the police, government bodies and antifraud organisations.

#### Keeping to the Section Terms

#### An **Insured Person** must:

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

#### Offers to Settle a Claim

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

#### Other Insurances

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

#### **Your Representation**

 (a) On receiving a claim, if representation is necessary, We will appoint a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy as Your Appointed Representative to deal with Your claim. They will try to settle Your claim by negotiation without having to go to court

- (b) If the appointed Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy cannot negotiate settlement of Your claim and it is necessary to go to court and legal proceedings are issued or there is a conflict of interest, then You may, if Your prefer, choose a law firm or tax expert of Your own choice to act as the Appointed Representative. We will choose the Appointed Representative to represent You in any proceedings where We are liable to pay a compensation award
- (c) If You choose a law firm as Your Appointed Representative who is not a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy, We will give Your choice of law firm the opportunity to act on the same terms as a Preferred Law Firm or tax consultancy. However if they refuse to act on this basis, the most We will pay is the amount We would have paid if they had agreed to the DAS Standard Terms of Appointment. The amount We will pay a law firm (where acting on Your behalf) is currently £100 per hour. This amount may vary from time to time
- (d) The Appointed Representative must cooperate with Us at all times and must keep Us up to date with the progress of the claim.

#### Your Responsibilities

An **Insured Person** must:

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

#### Withdrawing Cover

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

# **Exclusions**

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

We will not pay for the following:

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

during the course of a claim:

- (a) You are declared bankrupt
- (b) You have filed a bankruptcy petition
- (c) You have filed a winding-up petition
- (d) You have made an arrangement with Your creditors
- (e) You have entered into a deed of arrangement
- (f) You are in liquidation
- (g) part or all of **Your** affairs or property are in the care or control of a receiver or administrator.
- 12. Any claim relating to written or verbal remarks that damage the **Insured Person's** reputation.
- 13. Any claim where an **Insured Person** is not represented by a law firm, barrister or tax expert.

# **Important Information**

#### **Registration and Regulatory Information**

This Section is underwritten by DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited who are registered in England and Wales, Company Number 103274. Website: www.dasinsurance.co.uk

#### Registered Address: DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited, DAS Parc, Greenway Court, Bedwas, Caerphilly CF83 8DW

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FRN202106) and the Prudential Regulation Authority.

#### How to Make a Complaint

We always aim to give you a high quality service. If you think We have let you down, you can contact Us by:

- phoning **0344 893 9013**
- emailing customerrelations@das.co.uk
- writing to the Customer Relations Department DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited, DAS Parc, Greenway Court, Bedwas, Caerphilly CF83 8DW
- completing **Our** online complaint form at www.dasinsurance.co.uk/complaints

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

#### Financial Ombudsman

If you are not happy with the complaint outcome or if **We** have been unable to respond to your complaint within 8 weeks, you may be able to contact the Financial Ombudsman Service for help. This is a free complaint resolution service for eligible complaints. Details available from www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk.

You can contact them by:

- phoning 0800 023 4567 (free from mobile phones and landlines) or 0300 123 9123
- emailing complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk
- writing to The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR

Further information is available on their website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk Using this service does not affect your right to take legal action.

#### Financial Services Compensation Scheme

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

#### Privacy

When you purchase and use a **DAS** product **We** will process personal information about you and anyone else whose details are provided to **Us** to provide you with a service or a claim.

We process your personal information in accordance with Our Privacy Notice. You can find Our Privacy Notice online at

www.dasinsurance.co.uk/legal/privacy-statement. Alternatively you can make a request for a printed copy to be sent to you by contacting dataprotection@das.co.uk.

#### How to make a complaint

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

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

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

www.ico.org.uk

# SECTION 14: PERSONAL ACCIDENT

# Your Schedule will show if this Section is operative

# Definitions

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

#### Benefit

The sum or sums of money that **We** have agreed to pay as shown in the **Schedule**.

#### **Capital Benefits**

A Benefit that is not payable at a weekly rate.

#### **Deferment Period**

The initial period of **Temporary Total Disablement** for which no **Benefit** is payable as shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Injury

Bodily injury caused by:

- (a) accidental violent external and visible means
- (b) unavoidable exposure to the elements
- (c) accidental drowning, gassing or poisoning

occurring within 24 months from the date of the accident causing the Injury.

#### **Insured Events**

- 1. Death
- 2. Loss of Limb
- 3. Loss of Sight, Hearing or Speech
- 4. Permanent Total Disablement
- 5. Temporary Total Disablement

#### **Insured Person**

**You** or any of **Your** partners, principals or directors or any other **Employee** less than 75.

#### Loss of Limb

Total and permanent loss:

(a) by physical separation

(b) of use

of a hand, arm, leg or foot.

#### Loss of Sight, Hearing or Speech

Total and irrecoverable loss of:

- (a) sight in one or both eyes
- (b) hearing
- (c) speech.

#### **Medical Expenses**

Any reasonable costs necessarily incurred for medical, surgical or other diagnostic or remedial treatment given or prescribed by a qualified medical practitioner and any hospital, nursing home or ambulance charges.

#### **Operative Time of Cover**

The time and circumstances when cover under this Section is operative within the **Period of Insurance** shown in the **Schedule**.

#### Permanent Total Disablement

Disablement which:

- (a) entirely prevents the Insured Person from engaging in or attending to their Usual
   Occupation to which they are reasonably suited by training, education or experience
- (b) lasts for more than 12 months from the date of the accident
- (c) is beyond hope of improvement.

#### **Temporary Total Disablement**

Disablement which entirely prevents the **Insured Person** from engaging in or attending to their **Usual Occupation**.

#### **Usual Occupation**

The tasks, duties and other functions, which **You** normally pay the **Insured Person** to perform in connection with **Your Business**.

#### Weekly Benefit

The amount shown in the **Schedule** that **We** will pay to **You** for each complete working week, during any period of **Temporary Total Disablement** of an **Insured Person**.

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#### **Specified Persons**

Those persons specified in the **Schedule** as being **Insured Persons**.

#### **Unspecified Persons**

Any **Insured Person** whilst employed by **You** for the purposes of **Your Business**.

# **Operative Time of Cover**

#### 24 Hours

At any time.

#### Occupational

- (a) While an **Insured Person** is carrying out their occupational duties for **You** or while travelling between places of work where the travel is at **Your** expense
- (b) At any time where the **Injury** is the direct result of an unprovoked physical assault by another person.

#### **Occupational including Commuting**

- (a) While an **Insured Person** is carrying out their occupational duties for **You** or travelling between:
  - (i) an **Insured Persons** place of residence and place of work
  - (ii) places of work where the travel is at **Your** expense.
- (b) at any time where **Injury** is the direct result of an unprovoked physical assault by another person.

## Cover

We will pay You the Benefit if any Insured Person sustains Injury during the Period of Insurance and Operative Time of Cover which solely, directly and independently of any other cause results in one of the Insured Events.

#### Maximum Amount Payable

#### We will pay:

 (a) the Capital Benefit for Insured Events 1 to 4 shown in the Schedule for any one Insured Person (b) the **Weekly Benefit** for **Insured Event** 5, with payment being made at 4 weekly intervals but not payable for more than 104 weeks from the date the disablement started.

The **Benefit** will not be payable for more than one **Insured Event** 1 to 4 in respect of any one **Insured Person** identified as covered by this Section.

Payment in respect of **Insured Event** 5 will cease if the **Benefit** under **Insured Event** 1 to 4 becomes payable. Any sums paid under **Insured Event** 5 will be deducted from the amount of **Benefit** payable under **Insured Event** 1 to 4.

We will not be liable for any amount in excess of the maximum accumulation limit of £1,000,000 in respect of any one accident. If the aggregate amount of all benefits payable exceeds the maximum accumulation limit, the **Benefit** payable for each **Insured Person** shall be proportionately reduced until the total of all benefits does not exceed the maximum accumulation limit.

The maximum **Benefit** payable in respect of Death of an **Insured Person** under 16 years of age or under 18 years of age and in full-time education will not exceed £10,000 or the **Benefit** stated in the **Schedule** whichever is the lower.

## Extensions

#### The following Extensions apply to this Section.

#### Disappearance

If an **Insured Person** has been missing for a period of 180 consecutive days and sufficient evidence is produced to support the conclusion that death has been caused by **Injury**, that person will be presumed to have died.

However if the **Insured Person** is subsequently found alive, any amount **We** have paid will be refunded to **Us**.

#### Medical Expenses Cover

We will pay Medical Expenses necessarily incurred and arising from treatment following **Injury** to an **Insured Person** up to:

- (a) 5% of the total amount paid for the **Capital Benefit** for **Insured Events** 1, 2, 3 and 4
- (b) 15% of the total amount paid as the Weekly Benefit for Insured Event 5.

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# Conditions

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

### **Claims Evidence Condition**

If **You** do not comply with this Condition **You** will not be covered and **We** will not pay **Your** claim.

- (a) The Insured Person must as early as possible seek the attention of a qualified medical practitioner in the event of Injury which causes or may cause a claim and all certificates, information and evidence required by Us in connection with that Injury is to be provided at Your or the Insured Persons expense
- (b) All medical records, notes and correspondence in connection with a claim or a related preexisting condition must be made available upon request to any medical adviser appointed by Us and that medical adviser is to be allowed to make an examination of the Insured Person as often as necessary
- (c) In the case of Death of the Insured Person
  We will be entitled to have a post mortem examination at Our expense.

# **Exclusions**

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

This Section does not cover any claim arising out of or consequent upon or contributed to directly or indirectly as a result of:

- 1. any pre-existing physical or mental disability or infirmity, medical condition or chronic or recurring ailment
- 2. any communicable disease including acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) or an AIDS related condition
- 3. insanity, intentional self-injury, suicide or attempted suicide
- 4. participation in any criminal act or civil commotion
- 5. flying or other aerial activities (other than whilst travelling as a passenger of a recognised airline)

- 6. pregnancy or childbirth
- 7. deliberate exposure to danger (except in an attempt to save human life)
- 8. an **Insured Person** practising or taking part in:
  - (a) any kind of racing (other than foot races)
  - (b) mountaineering or rock climbing
  - (c) abseiling, bungee jumping, potholing or similar underground activities
  - (d) underwater activities involving the use of breathing apparatus
  - (e) engaging in winter sports other than curling or skating
  - (f) speed or time trials
  - (g) engaging in any sport undertaken on a professional or semiprofessional basis
  - (h) any operational duties as a member of the Armed Forces
- 9. the effects of alcohol or drugs (other than drugs prescribed by a qualified registered medical practitioner)
- 10. any treatment for drug addiction
- 11. any Weekly Benefit during the Deferment Period.

