

# POLICY DOCUMENT PROPERTY OWNERS INSURANCE





# **PROPERTY OWNERS INSURANCE POLICY**

## Welcome!

## Thank you for choosing Pen Underwriting to provide your Property Owners Insurance

This is Your Property Owners Insurance Policy Wording, setting out Your insurance protection in detail. The Policy Wording must be read together with the Policy Schedule and Statement of Facts as one document. It is an important document so You should keep it somewhere safe – You will need it if You need to make a claim.

Please read it carefully to make sure that it meets **Your** requirements and that the details on the Policy **Schedule** and Statement of Facts are correct.

Your premium has been based upon the information shown in the Policy Schedule and recorded in Your Statement of Facts.

If after reading **Your** Policy Wording **You** have any questions, any details are incorrect or the Policy does not provide the cover **You** need then **You** must contact **Your** insurance adviser <u>immediately</u>.

Your insurance relates  $\underline{only}$  to those sections of the Policy which are shown in the Schedule as being INCLUDED.

## **WHO ARE THE INSURERS?**

This Policy has been produced by Pen Underwriting Limited a Managing General Agent of the Insurers stated in The Schedule. The Insurers have delegated authority to Pen Underwriting Limited to underwrite Insurance and handle Claims for You on their behalf.

For details of Pen Underwriting Limited's Data Protection and

Privacy Policies visit the Pen Underwriting website at www.penunderwriting.co.uk

The insurer that is providing Your Property Owners Insurance Policy will be shown on Your Policy Schedule.

Legal Expenses and Rent Guarantee Insurance is provided by Arc Legal Assistance Ltd on behalf of AmTrust Europe Limited.

## USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS How to make a claim

If **You** need to make a legal expenses claim and this section is shown as being operative on the **Schedule**, please refer to the Legal Expenses Insurance Section of this Policy for details. For all other claims please contact **Us** by calling the telephone number printed on **Your** Policy **Schedule**.

The claims handler will take full details of the claim and guide **You** through the next steps. Depending on the value and type of claim, the claims handler may seek help from a loss adjuster. Loss adjusters are independent claims experts who will visit **You** or a third party claimant to assist with the assessment of the claim.

Once **We** have been notified of a claim, **We** will tell **Your** broker. The notification letter gives **Your** broker the opportunity to become involved in the claim if either **You** or they wish. Once the claim has been settled, a letter is sent to **Your** broker confirming settlement and the amounts paid.

#### Do

- Have details of Your policy number ready when notifying Us.
   You can find the policy number on the Schedule.
- Report any incidence of loss of Money, theft, attempted theft or Damage by malicious persons to the police immediately.
   You should obtain a crime reference number (not an incident reference number) from them if a crime has been committed.
- Carry out temporary repairs to the Property Insured to prevent further loss. Please retain all invoices for work carried out. Remember, if You do not have Your own contractor, call the Business Emergency Assistance telephone no. on Your Schedule to arrange for an approved contractor to effect repairs, any time of the day or night.
- Notify Us of any claim or any incident which may lead to a claim as soon as possible. The sooner We are involved, the more opportunity We have to resolve the claim to Your satisfaction. You must notify Us within seven days if the incident relates to Damage by riot, civil commotion, labour or political disturbances, malicious persons, theft or attempted theft.
- Ensure that any letter or notice received is sent to Us immediately unanswered and unacknowledged. You must also send Us unanswered and unacknowledged any written claim, writ, summons or other document relating to a claim and tell Us of any pending prosecution, coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry and give Us full details of any verbal claims made against You.
- Any Bodily Injury to an Employee should be reported to Us regardless of whether a formal claim has been made against You. We can then decide whether We need to investigate and provide advice to You.

## Don't

- Dispose of any evidence or damaged items We may wish to see them.
- Wait for estimates to be obtained for work to be carried out before notifying **Us** of a claim.
- Admit or deny responsibility for any incident involving Bodily Injury to others or Damage to their property.

#### **Replacement service**

We have a number of suppliers that can repair the **Property Insured** or replace items lost, stolen or damaged beyond repair. If one of **Our** suppliers is used **You** will not need to obtain estimates and **We** will settle directly with the supplier. **You** will be responsible for the payment of any applicable **Excess. You** will only be responsible for payment of the VAT element if **You** are VAT registered. **You** will be invoiced accordingly.

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Your Policy Wording is made up of individual Sections. This wording should be read together with Your current Policy Schedule for precise details of Your insurance protection. We have also included (under Important Information) details of Your right to cancel this Policy and also what to do if You have a complaint.

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## **POLICY INTRODUCTION**

## The Contract of Insurance

Your Policy is a contract between **Us**, the insurers, and **You**, the **Policyholder**.

In return for **You** having paid or agreed to pay the premium, **We** will indemnify **You** by payment or, at **Our** option, by reinstatement or repair, in respect of loss, destruction, damage, accident or injury occurring or other insured contingency arising during the **Period of Insurance**, subject to the terms conditions and exclusions contained in the Policy and endorsed on **The Schedule**.

## Important

You are required to make a fair presentation of the risk to Us.

If **You** breach **Your** duty to provide a fair presentation and any such breach was deliberate or reckless, **We** may regard the Policy as void and are not required to return any paid Premium to **You**.

If the breach was not deliberate or reckless, **Our** remedy shall depend upon what **We** would have done if **You** had complied with the duty of fair presentation:

- We may regard the Policy as void if Insurers would not have entered into the Policy on any terms in the absence of the breach. In this case, We must return the premium paid.
- If We would have entered into the Policy, but on different terms (other than terms relating to premium) the Policy is to be treated as if those different terms applied from the outset, if We so require.
- If We would have entered into the Policy but would have charged a higher premium We may reduce proportionately the amount to be paid on a claim (and, if applicable, the amount already paid on prior claims)

## **Choice of Law**

 This Policy will be governed by English Law, and You and We agree to submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales (unless You live in Jersey in which case the law of Jersey will apply and the Jersey courts will have exclusive jurisdiction).

## **POLICY DEFINITIONS**

Wherever the following words or phrases appear in this Policy they will have the meanings defined below. A defined word will start with a capital letter and be printed in bold (e.g. **You**).

Each Section of the Policy contains definitions. They must be read in conjunction with the following Policy Definitions.

## **Buildings**

Buildings

- (a) including Landlords fixtures and fittings, walls, gates, fences, yards, car parks, road, pavements, outbuildings, underground pipes, cables and wires belonging to You or for which You are responsible at The Premises
- (b) and in respect of residential buildings; landlords fixtures and fittings, domestic outbuildings, garages, swimming pools, hard tennis courts, terraces, patios, driveways, footpaths, walls, fences, gates, hedges, interior decorations, telecommunication aerials, aerial fittings, masts, closed circuit televisions, car parks, cess pits, septic tanks, squash courts, gymnasia used by residents for domestic and leisure purposes, street furniture and lamp posts, solar panels and turbines attached to the buildings.

## **Computer and Electronic Equipment**

All computers, computer installations and systems, microchips, integrated circuits, microprocessors, embedded systems, hardware, and any electronic equipment, data processing equipment, information repository, telecommunication equipment, computer controlled or programmed machinery, equipment capable of processing data and, or similar devices, whether physically or remotely connected thereto.

## **Condition Precedent**

A condition which must be complied with before  $\boldsymbol{W}\boldsymbol{e}$  are liable for a claim.

#### **Consequential Loss**

Consequential or indirect loss (that is any **Damage** or additional expense, which happens as a result of, or is a side effect of, the event for which **You** are insured). This includes but is not limited to the following:

- (a) loss of revenue
- (b) loss of earnings
- (c) additional travel costs
- (d) loss assessor fees
- (e) the cost of preparing a claim
- (f) compensation for stress or inconvenience

#### Contents

Carpets, domestic furniture and furnishings belonging to **You** or for which **You** are responsible at **The Premises**.

## **Cyber Vandal**

The person or persons, whether identified or not, responsible for, or involved with, creating a Virus or Similar Mechanism or a Denial of Service Attack, unauthorised access to or use of **Computer and Electronic Equipment**.

#### Data

- All information which is
- (1) electronically stored, or
- (2) electronically represented, or
- (3) contained on any current and back-up disks, tapes or other materials or devices used for the storage of data,

including but not limited to operating systems, records, programs, software or firmware, code or series of instructions

## **Data Storage Materials**

Any materials or devices used for the storage or representation of **Data** including but not limited to disks, tapes, CD-ROMs, DVDs, memory sticks, memory cards or other materials or devices which may or may not also constitute **Computer and Electronic Equipment**.

## Denial of Service Attack

Any actions or instructions with the ability to damage, interfere with, or otherwise affect the availability of **Computer and Electronic Equipment** or **Data**, including but not limited to the generation of excess traffic into network addresses, the exploitation of system or network weaknesses, and the generation of excess or non-genuine traffic within, between or amongst networks.

## Employee

Any person who is

- (1) under a contract of service or apprenticeship with You
- (2) borrowed by or hired to You
- (3) a labour master or supplied by a labour master
- (4) employed by labour only sub-contractors
- (5) self employed
- (6) under a work experience or training scheme
- (7) a voluntary helper while working under **Your** control in connection with **The Business**
- (8) an outworker or homeworker when engaged in work on Your behalf.

## **Endorsement / Endorsements**

An alteration to the terms of the Policy.

#### Excess / Excesses

The amount or amounts shown in **Your** Policy or **The Schedule** which **We** will deduct from each and every claim. **You** will repay any such amount paid by **Us**.

#### Failure

Any partial or complete reduction in the

#### (1) performance, or

- (2) availability, or
- (3) functionality, or
- (4) the ability to recognise or process any date or time, of any:(a) Computer and Electronic Equipment
  - (b) electronic means of communication (c) web site.

## Insured Person

You or Your directors, principals or Employees

#### Landlords Contents

Contents belonging to **You** or held in trust for which **You** are responsible, at **The Premises** but not including **Computer and Electronic Equipment**.

#### Loss of Data

Physical or electronic or other loss or destruction or alteration or loss of use, whether permanent or temporary, of or damage to **Data**, of whatsoever nature, in whole or in part, including, but not limited to Loss of **Data** resulting from loss or damage to **Computers and Electronic Equipment** or **Data Storage Materials**, including while stored on **Data Storage Materials**.

#### **Malicious Contingency**

- (1) riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers or persons taking part in labour disturbances.
- (2) malicious persons other than thieves and Cyber Vandals.

#### Money

Current

- (1) coin, bank and currency notes
- (2) postal and money orders, bankers drafts, cheques and giro cheques
- (3) crossed warrants, bills of exchanges and securities for money
- (4) postage, revenue, national insurance and holiday with pay stamps
- (5) national insurance and holiday with pay cards, national savings certificates, war bonds, premium savings bonds and franking machine impressions
- (6) credit company sales vouchers, luncheon vouchers and trading stamps
- (7) VAT invoices.

## **Period of Insurance**

From the effective date until the expiry date (both shown in The **Schedule**) or any subsequent period for which **We** accept payment for renewal of this Policy.

#### Resident

The owner, tenant or lessee of any building and any member of their family permanently resident with them.

#### **Specified Contingency**

Fire. Lightning. Explosion. Aircraft and other aerial devices or articles dropped from them. Earthquake. Storm or flood. Escape of water from any tank apparatus or pipe. Falling trees. Impact. Escape of fuel from any fixed oil heating installation.

#### **The Business**

Activities directly connected with the business specified in **The Schedule**.

#### **The Premises**

The premises stated in the Statement of Facts and specified in **The Schedule**.

#### **The Schedule**

The document which specifies details of **The Policyholder**, **The Premises**, **Property Insured**, **Sums Insured**, **Limits of Indemnity** and any **Excesses**, **Endorsements** and **Conditions** applying to the Policy.

#### **Virus or Similar Mechanism**

Program code, programming instruction or any set of instructions with the ability to damage, interfere with, or otherwise adversely affect **Computer and Electronic Equipment** or **Data**, whether involving self-replication or not, including, but limited to Trojan horses, worms and logic bombs.

#### We/Us/Our

The insurers whose identity is stated in the **Endorsement** entitled Identity of Insurers shown in **The Schedule**.

#### You/Your/The Policyholder

The persons, companies, partnerships or unincorporated associations named in **The Schedule** as **The Policyholder**.

## **PROPERTY DAMAGE SECTION**

## DEFINITIONS

(Also refer to the Policy Definitions at the front of this Policy Wording)

The following definitions apply to this Section and shall keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### Damage

Accidental loss, destruction or damage to the Property Insured.

## **Defined Contingency**

Fire

Lightning

Explosion Aircraft and other aerial devices dropped from them. Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers or persons

taking part in labour disturbances.

Malicious persons other than thieves.

Earthquake.

Storm.

Flood.

Escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe. Falling trees. Impact. Escape of fuel from any fixed oil heating installation.

Theft or attempted theft.

#### **Property Damage Excess**

The amount or amounts shown in **Your** Policy or **The Schedule** which **We** will deduct from each and every claim at each separate location and will be deducted after the application of Average (See Condition 1).

You will repay any such amount paid by Us.

## **Property Insured**

Property insured as detailed in The Schedule.

## COVER

## (1) COVER OPTION A - ALL RISKS

(only applicable if stated as insured in The Schedule)

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to the Property Insured occurring during the Period of Insurance at The Premises.

The **Sum Insured** under each item other than items applying solely to fees, rent, removal of debris, private dwelling houses, churches or buildings in course of erection is separately subject to Average (See Condition 1).

The maximum We will pay under this Section will not exceed

- (1) the Sum Insured on each Item
  - or
- (2) the Total Sum Insured
  - or
- (3) any other maximum amount payable or limit of liability

specified in The Schedule.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

The following Exclusions apply to (1) Cover Option A – All Risks.

(Also refer to the Policy Exclusions at the back of this Policy Wording).

We will not indemnify you in respect of

(1) Damage to the Property Insured caused by or consisting of

- (a) an existing or hidden defect
- (b) gradual deterioration or wear and tear
- (c) ) frost or change in the water table level
- (d) faulty design or faulty materials used in its construction
- (e) faulty workmanship, operating error or omission by **You** or any **employee**

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of any subsequent **Damage** which results from a cause not otherwise excluded.

- (2) Damage caused by or consisting of
  - (a) (i) corrosion, rust or rot
    - (ii) shrinkage, evaporation or loss of weight
    - (iii) dampness or dryness
    - (iv) scratching
    - (v) vermin or insects
    - (vi) mould or fungus
  - (b) change in
    - (i) temperature
    - (ii) colour
    - (iii) flavour
    - (iv) texture or finish
  - (c) nipple or joint leakage or failure of welds
  - (d) cracking, fracturing, collapse or overheating of a boiler, vessel, machine or apparatus in which internal pressure is due to steam only and any associating piping
  - (e) mechanical or electrical breakdown or derangement of the **Property Insured.**

However, We will indemnify you in respect of:

- (i) **Damage** not otherwise excluded which itself results from a **Defined Contingency** or any other accidental cause
- (ii) any subsequent **Damage** which itself results from a cause not otherwise excluded.
- (3) Damage caused by pollution or contamination. However, We will indemnify You in respect of Damage, not otherwise excluded, caused by:
  - (a) pollution or contamination which results from a **Defined Contingency**
  - (b) a **Defined Contingency** which results from pollution or contamination.
- (4) **Damage** caused by or consisting of:
  - (a) subsidence, ground heave or landslip However, we will indemnify You in respect of Damage, not otherwise excluded caused by fire, explosion, earthquake or escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe.
  - (b) normal settlement of new structures
  - (c) acts of fraud or dishonesty
  - (d) (i) disappearance
    - (ii) unexplained or inventory shortage(iii) misfiling, misplacing of information or clerical error
  - (e) theft or attempted theft
    - (i) caused by you or your family or an employee
    - (ii) caused by any resident or their guest
    - (iii) to moveable property in the open except for garden furniture up to £500.
- (5) Damage to a structure caused by its own collapse or cracking.

However, **we** will indemnify **you** in respect of such **Damage** if it results from a **Defined contingency** and is not otherwise excluded.

#### (6) Damage to:

- (a) gates
- (b) fences
- (c) moveable property in the open by:
  - (i) wind
  - (ii) rain, hail, sleet or snow(iii) flood
  - (iii) noou (iv) dust.

## (7) Damage:

- (a) by fire resulting from its' undergoing any process involving the application of heat
- (b) to that portion of any item caused by its' own self ignition, leakage of electricity, short circuiting, or over-running
- (c) resulting from its' undergoing any process of(i) production or packaging
  - (ii) treatment, testing or commissioning
  - (iii) servicing or repair.
  - However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of such **Damage** if it is caused by fire or explosion.

(8) Damage in respect of china, earthenware, marble or other fragile objects not forming part of the Buildings, unless specifically mentioned in The Schedule.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of such **Damage** if it results from a **Defined Contingency** and is not otherwise excluded.

(9) Damage respect of in

- (a) vehicles licensed for road use including accessories on or attached to them
- (b) caravans or trailers
- (c) railway locomotives or rolling stock watercraft or aircraft
- (d) property in the course of construction including materials for use in the construction
- (e) land, roads or pavements, piers, jetties, bridges, culverts or excavations
- (f) livestock
- (g) growing crops or trees

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of **Damage** to such property if the property is specifically stated as insured in **The Schedule** and the **Damage** is not otherwise excluded.

#### (10) Damage

- (a) insured by any marine Policy
- (b) which would be insured under any marine Policy if this Policy did not exist

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of **Damage** not otherwise excluded for any sum beyond the amount which would have been payable under the marine Policy had this insurance not existed.

(11) Damage more specifically insured by You or on Your behalf.

#### (12) Consequential Loss or Damage.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of rent when this cover is specified in **The Schedule** and the **Damage** is not otherwise excluded.

(13) the Excess as stated in The Schedule.

## (2) COVER OPTION B – SPECIFIED CONTINGENCIES

(only applicable if stated as insured in the schedule)

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage occurring to the Property Insured during the Period of Insurance at the Premises by each of the following Specified Contingencies.

The **Sum Insured** under each item other than items applying solely to fees, rent, removal of debris, private dwelling houses, churches or buildings in course of erection is separately subject to Average (See Condition 1).

The maximum We will pay under this Section will not exceed:

- (1) the **Sum Insured** on each Item or
- (2) the total Sum Insured or
- (3) any other maximum amount payable or limit of liability specified in the schedule.

#### A Fire

(1) fire

We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage:

- (a) to the **Property Insured** caused by explosion resulting from fire
- (b) to that portion of the **Property Insured** caused by its own self ignition, leakage of electricity, short circuiting or overrunning
- (c) caused by
  - (i) the Property Insured's own spontaneous fermentation or heating. However, We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to coal, coke and wood blocks caused by their own spontaneous fermentation, heating or combustion.
  - (ii) the **Property Insured** undergoing any process involving the application of heat

(d) caused by riot and, or civil commotion

- (2) lightning
- (3) explosion
  - (a) of boilers
  - (b) of gas in a building not being part of any gas works used for domestic purposes or used for lighting or heating the building.

We will not indemnify You for Damage to the Property Insured caused by earthquake or underground fire.

#### **B** Explosion

We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage:

- (a) to the Property Insured caused by or consisting of the bursting of a boiler, economiser, vessel, machine or apparatus, where the internal pressure is due to steam only and belongs to You or is under Your control
- (b) to any vessel, machine or apparatus, or its contents, caused by its own bursting.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of **Damage** not otherwise excluded if the vessel, machine or apparatus is the subject of a contract providing inspection or maintenance required by statutory regulation.

#### **C** Aircraft

Aircraft and other aerial devices including articles dropped from them

# D Riot, Civil Commotion and Malicious Damage

Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons.

#### We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage:

- (a) to the Property Insured caused by or resulting from
  - (i) work stoppages
  - theft or attempted theft caused by malicious persons not acting on behalf of or in connection with any political organisation
- (b) when The Premises are unoccupied.

#### **E Earthquake**

#### **F Underground Fire**

#### **G** Spontaneous Combustion

Fire caused by the **Property Insured's** own spontaneous combustion including **Damage** to coal and wood blocks.

#### H Storm and Flood and falling Trees

We will not indemnify You in respect of

- (a) **Damage** to the **Property Insured** resulting solely from a change in the water table level
- (b) **Damage** to the **Property Insured** caused by (i) Frost
  - (ii) subsidence, ground heave or landslip
  - (iii) escape of water from any tank, apparatus pipe or fixed oil heating installation
- (c) **Damage** to fences, gates and moveable property in the open except where such **Damage** is caused by falling trees

## I Escape of Water / Oil

Escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe or escape of fuel from any fixed oil heating installation

We will not indemnify You in respect of

- (a) **Damage** to the **Property Insured** by water discharged or leaking from an automatic sprinkler installation
- (b) Damage when the Premises are unoccupied
- (c) **Damage** to any tank, apparatus, pipe or fixed oil heating installation.

#### **J Impact**

Impact by any vehicle or animal or by goods falling there from.

We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage to any goods being carried.

### **K Sprinkler Leakage**

Water accidentally discharged or leaking from any automatic sprinkler installation in The Premises.

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) Damage caused by
  - (i) Freezing while **The Premises** are unoccupied
  - (ii) Explosion, earthquake, subterranean fire or heat caused by fire
- (b) **Damage** to any automatic sprinkler installation(s).

## L Theft or Attempted Theft

We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage:

- (a) caused by or consisting of acts of fraud or dishonesty
- (b) as a result of
  - (i) disappearance
  - (ii) unexplained or inventory shortage
  - (iii) misfiling, misplacing of information or clerical error.

## **EXCLUSIONS**

The following Exclusions apply to (2) Cover Option B - Specified Contingencies.

(also refer to the Policy Exclusions at the back of this Policy Wording).

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- Damage caused by pollution or contamination.
   However, We will indemnify You in respect of Damage, not otherwise excluded, caused by
  - (a) pollution or contamination which results from a **Defined Contingency**
  - (b) a **Defined Contingency** which results from pollution or contamination.

(2) Damage while any building is unoccupied.

- However, We will indemnify You where Damage is caused by
  - (i) fire
  - (ii) lightning
  - (iii) earthquake
  - (iv) explosion.

(3) **Damage** in respect of vehicles licensed for road use including accessories on or attached to them.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of **Damage** to such property if the property is specifically stated as insured in **The Schedule** and the **Damage** is not otherwise excluded.

#### (4) Damage

- (a) insured by any marine Policy
- (b) which would be insured under any marine Policy if this Policy did not exist.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of **Damage** not otherwise excluded for any sum beyond the amount which would have been payable under the marine Policy had this insurance not existed.

(5) **Damage** more specifically insured by **You** or on **Your** behalf.

#### (6) Consequential Loss or Damage.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** in respect of rent when this cover is specified in **The Schedule** and the **Damage** is not otherwise excluded.

(7) the Excess as stated in The Schedule.

## CONDITIONS

The following conditions apply to the Property Damage Section. (also refer to the Policy Conditions at the back of this Policy Wording).

#### (1) Average

Where a **Sum Insured** is stated to be subject to Average, this means that if at the time of **Damage**, the **Sum Insured** is less than the total value of the property, **You** will:

- (a) be responsible for the difference
- (b) bear a proportionate share of the loss.

#### (2) Fire Extinguishing Appliances

If in relation to any claim for **Damage** caused by or resulting from fire, if **You** have failed to fulfil the following condition, **You** will lose **Your** right to indemnity or payment for that claim.

You must maintain all fire extinguishing appliances on **The Premises**, so far as **Your** responsibility extends, in proper working order.

#### (3) Our Rights

If **Damage** occurs which may lead to a claim **We** may

- (a) enter or take possession of the building or **The Premises**
- (b) take possession of, or require to be delivered to Us,
  - **Property Insured** which **We** will deal with in a reasonable manner without incurring liability or reducing **Our** rights.

We will not pay for **Damage** if **You** or anyone acting on Your behalf

- (i) do not comply with our requirements
- (ii) hinder or obstruct **Us**.
- You are not entitled to abandon property to Us.

#### (4) Statutory Inspection of Plant

Any item of plant and machinery belonging to **You** or under **Your** control which requires to be examined to comply with any Statutory Regulations must be inspected in accordance with such Regulations.

Failure to comply with this will invalidate cover in respect of an explosion originating within and causing damage to the item of plant.

## **CLAUSES**

All of the following clauses apply to the Property Damage Section.

#### (1) Adjoining Buildings

In respect of **Damage** caused by subsidence, ground heave or landslip, **You** will notify **Us** immediately of any demolition, construction, erection, groundworks or excavation being carried out on any adjoining site. **We** will then have the right to vary the terms or cancel this Cover.

## (2) Automatic Reinstatement of Sum Insured

The **Sums Insured** stated in **The Schedule**, will not be reduced by the amount of any claim unless **We** or **You** give notice to the contrary

You must pay the additional premium required to reinstate the Sums Insured.

#### (3) Basis of Claim Settlement - Reinstatement

Unless otherwise stated in **the schedule**, in the event of **Damage** the basis upon which **we** will calculate the amount **we** will pay for any claim will be the reinstatement of the **Property Insured** lost, destroyed or damaged, subject to the following conditions

(1) if Property Insured under any Buildings or Contents item described in The Schedule, other than, pedal cycles, personal items, rent or motor vehicles if insured, is lost or destroyed,

We will pay for its rebuilding or replacement by similar property in a condition as good as, but not better than or more extensive than, its condition when new. If such **Property Insured** is damaged, We will pay for replacement or repair of the damaged portion to a condition as good as, but not better or more extensive than, its condition when new.

However, **We** will not pay more than **We** would have done if the property had been completely destroyed.

- (2) the Property Insured may be replaced on another site and in a manner suitable to Your needs, but this must not increase Our liability.
- (3) all work must begin and be carried out as quickly as possible.
- (4) if, at the time of rebuilding or replacement, 85% of what it would have cost to replace the whole of the **Property Insured** under that item, is greater than the **Sum Insured** at the time the **Damage** occurred, **You** will be liable to bear a proportionate share of the loss.

- We will not pay under this clause
- until You have incurred the cost of replacing or repairing the Property Insured
- (2) if You, or someone acting on Your behalf have insured the property under another Policy which does not have a similar basis of reinstatement
- (3) if You do not comply with any of the terms of this clause.

#### (4) Capital Additions

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to:

- (1) newly built and, or newly acquired building
- (2) alterations, additions and improvements to buildings and, or machinery, but not in respect of any appreciation in value

situated anywhere in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

- The maximum we will pay in respect of any one location is
  - (a) £2,000,000 for any newly built and, or newly acquired building
  - (b) £500,000 for alterations, additions and improvements to the building

whichever is the lower

Provided that if such building is a residential building the maximum We will pay is 10% of the Sum Insured on the buildings in which the residence is contained.

You must provide Us with details of these extensions as soon as possible, but at least within six months and specifically insure such extensions with Us, from the date Our liability commenced and pay the appropriate premium.

#### (5) Change of Occupancy

You must tell Us immediately if

- (1) any building stated in The Schedule becomes unoccupied
- (2) any unoccupied building stated in **The Schedule**, or any part of it becomes occupied.

#### (6) Changing Locks

We will indemnify **You** in respect of the cost of changing locks at **The Premises** following loss of keys by theft or attempted theft from

- (1) The Premises
- (2) Your home
- (3) Your director's homes
- (4) Your authorised Employees homes

or while in **Your** custody or that of an **Employee** following theft involving violence or threat of violence to **You** or an **Employee**.

The maximum We will pay for any one loss is £2,500.

#### (7) Construction Heating and Occupation of the Buildings

- Unless otherwise stated in **The Schedule** the buildings are (1) constructed of brick, stone or concrete
- (2) roofed with slates, tiles, concrete, metal or asbestos, with no more than 20% of other materials
- (3) heated by
  - (i) low pressure hot water or steam
  - (ii) oil fired space heaters fed from a fuel tank in the open
  - (iii) overhead gas or electrical appliances
  - (iv) gas or electric fires in offices only
  - or as expressly varied in accordance with details provided to Us.
- (4) occupied for the sole purpose of **The Business** and otherwise only as a private dwelling.

#### (8) Contents of Common Parts

This term includes contents and furnishings owned by **You** or for which **You** are responsible whilst contained in the common parts of the **Property Insured**.

We will not indemnify You in respect of

- (1) china or other fragile or brittle objects exceeding £1,000 any one article
- (2) computers and data processing equipment
- (3) curios, rare books, works of art or articles of antique furniture exceeding £1,000 in value any one article

unless specifically mentioned as insured in The Schedule.

The maximum We will pay in respect of any one claim is £25,000, unless otherwise specified in The Schedule.

#### (9) Contractors Interest

Where **You** are required to effect insurance on the **Property Insured** in the 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 and **You** must provide **Us** with details of any single contract valued in excess of £250,000 prior to work commencing and pay an additional premium if required.

#### (10) Damage to Grounds

We will indemnify You in respect of reasonable costs and expenses necessarily incurred in reinstating or repairing landscaped gardens and grounds, belonging to You or for which You are responsible, following Damage at The Premises.

We will not indemnify You in respect of

- (1) the cost of moving soil other than as necessary for surface preparation
- (2) the failure of trees, shrubs, plants or turf to become established
- (3) the failure of seeds to germinate
- (4) **Damage** caused by disease, infection or application of chemicals.

The maximum We will pay in respect of any one claim is £25,000.

#### (11) Debris Removal

Unless separately insured under this Section, the **Sum Insured** for each item, in **The Schedule**, other than rent if insured, includes costs and expenses **You** incur, with **Our** consent, for:

- (1) removal of debris
- (2) dismantling or demolishing
- (3) shoring up or propping

the parts of the property which have suffered **Damage** insured under this section.

We will not indemnify You in respect of costs and expenses:

- incurred in removing debris from anywhere other than the site of the **Damage** and the area immediately adjacent to it
- (2) arising from pollution or contamination of property not insured by this Section
- (3) more specifically insured.

#### (12) Description of Property

In determining the item under which property is insured, **We** will accept the description given in **Your** business records.

#### (13) Drains

The **Sum Insured** for each **Buildings** item extends to include an amount necessarily and reasonably incurred by **You**, and which We agree to, for cleaning and, or clearing of:

- (1) Drains
- (2) Sewers
- (3) gutters

for which **You** are responsible, following **Damage** insured by this Section to the **Property Insured**.

The maximum We will pay in respect of any one claim is £5,000.

#### (14) European Union and Public Authorities

Following **Damage** insured by this Section to any item described in **The Schedule**, **We** will pay the additional cost of reinstating the **Property Insured** necessary to comply with any:

- (1) European Union Legislation
- (2) Act of Parliament

(3) Bye-Laws of any Public Authority.

- We will not indemnify You in respect of:
- (1) costs incurred
  - (a) in respect of **Damage** not insured by this Section
    (b) where notice was served on **You** before the **Damage** occurred
  - (c) where an existing requirement must be completed within a stipulated period
  - (d) in respect of property or parts of the property, other than foundations (unless foundations are specifically excluded) which have not suffered **Damage**.
- (2) any charge or assessment arising from capital appreciation following compliance with any legislation or Bye-Law.

#### The reinstatement of the Property Insured:

- (1) must begin and be carried out as quickly as possible
- (2) may be carried out on another site and in a manner suitable to Your needs but this must not increase Our liability.

If **Our** liability under this Section is reduced by the application of any terms or Conditions of this Policy, **Our** liability under this clause will similarly be reduced.

The maximum **We** will pay under this clause in respect of any one item is the item **Sum Insured** in **The Schedule**.

#### (15) Gardening Equipment

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to gardening equipment owned by You and used in connection with the business at The Premises.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one **Period of Insurance** is £10,000.

#### (16) Glass

Where **Buildings** are insured under this Section, cover includes

- (1) breakage (including the cost of boarding up) of fixed glass at **The Premises**, including:
  - (a) the cost of removing and reinstating obstructions to replacing glass.
  - (b) the cost of replacing alarm foil, lettering, painting, embossing, silvering or other ornamental work on glass.
- (2) breakage of fixed:
  - (a) washhand basins, pedestals, baths, sinks
  - (b) lavatory bowls, bidets, cisterns
  - (c) showertrays, splashbacks

#### at The Premises.

We will not indemnify You in respect of

- (1) breakage of glass:
  - (a) while The Premises are unoccupied
  - (b) in transit or while being fitted
  - (c) by workmen carrying out alterations or repairs to **The Premises**
- (2) the Excess stated in The Schedule.

#### **17) Loss of Metered Utilities**

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

The maximum that **We** will pay in respect of any one claim is £25,000.

#### (18) Loss of Rent and Alternative Accommodation

We will indemnify You if a residence cannot be lived in or if access to it is denied as a result of **Damage** in respect of:

- (1) (a) loss of rent, including ground rent and management charges, **You** should have received but have lost
  - (b) (i) the cost of similar alternative accommodation incurred by any owner or lessee if this is necessary
    - (ii) the cost of accommodation in kennels and, or catteries for dogs and, or cats belonging to any owner or lessee in residence, where such pets are not permitted in any alternative accommodation.
- (2) temporary storage of Your furniture

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one claim is 25% of the **Sum Insured** for the **Buildings** in which the residence is contained.

### (19) Money and Assault

#### Money

We will pay for loss of Money up to the following amounts

		Limit any one loss
(1)	any single loss of business Money	
	(a) in transit	£2,000
	(b) in bank night safes and afterwards within bank premises until at the bank's risk	£2,000
	(c) in Your home or the home of any Employee, partner or director	£500
(2)	any single loss in respect of crossed cheques, cross postal or money orders, crossed bankers drafts, stamped national insurance cards.	£250,000

#### We will not pay for:

- (1) losses due to the dishonesty of **You**, **Your Employees**, partners or directors
- (2) losses not discovered within seven working days of the loss
- (3) where a more specific insurance is in force, except for any amount in excess of that insurance
- (4) shortages due to clerical or accounting errors
- (5) loss of Money from unattended vehicles
- (6) loss or **Damage** outside Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

#### Assault

We will pay:

(1) the compensation stated below to You for Bodily Injury to an Insured Person caused by the theft or attempted theft of Money, which happens in the course of The Business and resulting in the following contingencies

(a) death	£10,000
(b) total and permanent loss of sight in	£10,000
one or both eyes	
(c) loss of one or both limbs	£10,000
(d) total disablement which prevents	£100 per
the Insured Person from pursuing	week
their normal occupation	
(e) reimbursement of incurred medical	£250
expenses up to	

(2) up to £250 in respect of such **Insured Person** for **Damage** to their personal effects caused by the theft or attempted theft of **Money**.

#### (20) Non-Invalidation

The insurance by this Section will not be invalidated by any

- (1) act
  - or
- (2) omission
  - or
- (3) alteration

either unknown to **You** or beyond **Your** control which increases the risk of **Damage**.

However, You must:

- (a) notify **Us** immediately **You** become aware of any such act, omission or alteration
  - and
- (b) pay any additional premium required.

#### (21) Other Interests

Subject to **Your** consent, the interest of all parties who wish to register an interest in the Cover by this Section will be noted provided that all such interests are notified to **Us** within 30 days of any **Damage**.

#### (22) Professional Fees

The **Sum Insured** for each **Buildings**, Blocks of flats, or Machinery Item(s) described in **The Schedule**, includes an amount for professional fees necessarily incurred in reinstating or repairing the **Property Insured**, following **Damage** insured by this Section.

We will not indemnify You in respect of fees

- (1) more specifically insured
- (2) incurred in preparing a claim.

#### (23) Reinstatement to Match

Where the **Property Insured** 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. This Section further extends to include the replacement or modification of undamaged property insofar as it is necessary to adapt it to operate in conjunction with that property which has been replaced, repaired or restored provided that **Our** total liability is not increased beyond the amount that would otherwise have been payable for the replacement, repair or restoration of the property destroyed or damaged in its original form.

When the **Property Insured** is damaged or destroyed in part only, **We** will not pay more than the amount representing the cost which **We** would pay for reinstatement if such property had been wholly destroyed.

#### (24) Re-Letting Costs

We will indemnify You in respect of costs reasonably incurred with our consent in re-letting **The Premises** (including legal fees in connection with the re-letting) following **Damage** as insured by this Section.

The maximum  $\ensuremath{\text{We}}$  will pay is £2,500 any one  $\ensuremath{\text{Period}}$  of  $\ensuremath{\text{Insurance}}$ 

#### (25) Risk Protection Equipment Replacement Costs

We will indemnify You in respect of reasonable costs and expenses incurred in refilling, recharging or replacing any:

- (1) portable fire extinguishing appliances
- (2) local fire suppression system
- (3) fixed fire suppression system
- (4) sprinkler installation
- (5) sprinkler heads

and having any fire and, or intruder alarms and closed circuit television equipment re-set as a result of **Damage** as insured under this Section.

We will not indemnify You in respect of any costs and expenses recoverable from the maintenance company or fire and rescue service.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one claim is £50,000.

#### (26) 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 be entitled by subrogation against:

- any company whose relationship to You is either a parent to subsidiary or subsidiary to parent as defined in, or within the meaning of the relevant Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order, current at the time of Damage
- (2) any company which is a subsidiary of a parent company of which **You** are a subsidiary as defined in, or within the meaning of the relevant Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order, current at the time of **Damage**
- (3) any tenant of **Yours** provided that:
  - (a) the tenant of lessee contributes to the cost of insuring the **Property Insured** against the event which caused the **Damage**
  - (b) the **Damage** did not result from a breach of the terms of the lease by the tenant or lessee
  - (c) the **Damage** did not result from a criminal, fraudulent or malicious act of the tenant or lessee.

#### (27) Temporary Removal for Cleaning or Renovation

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage insured by this Section, while temporarily removed for cleaning, renovation

or repair or similar purposes

- (1) to another part of The Premises
- (2) to any other premises in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man including whilst in transit by road, rail or inland waterway.

The maximum **We** will pay is 10% of the item **Sum Insured** after the deduction of the value of any building included within the item insured.

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- (a) property insured elsewhere
- (b) Damage occurring elsewhere than at The Premises to motor vehicles or motor chassis licensed for normal road use
- (c) property removed for more than 90 consecutive days unless We agree a longer period in writing.

#### (28) Trace and Access

We will pay costs and expenses incurred with Our consent:

- (1) in locating the actual source of **Damage** 
  - and
- (2) any repairs directly arising from (1)

caused by the escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe or leakage of fuel from any fixed oil heating installation, provided such **Damage** is insured by this Section.

We will not indemnify You in respect of costs or expenses incurred where **Damage** results solely from a change in the water table level.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one **Period of Insurance** is £25,000.

#### (29) Transfer of Interest

If at the time of **Damage** to a **Building** insured under this Section **You** have entered into a contract to sell **Your** interest in it but:

- (1) the contract has not yet been completed and
- (2) the **Building** has not yet been insured by or on behalf of the purchaser

and

(3) the purchase is subsequently completed.

We will indemnify the purchaser to the extent that this Section insures that **Building**.

This will not affect either **Your** or **Our** rights and liabilities up to the date of completion of the purchase.

#### (30) Value Added Tax

The insurance by this Section extends to include Value Added Tax paid by **You** (including 'self-supply' Value Added Tax where appropriate) which is not subsequently recoverable provided that:

- (a) Your liability for such tax arises solely as a result of the reinstatement or repair of the buildings following Damage
  - (b) **We** have paid or have agreed to pay for such **Damage**
  - (c) If any payment by Us in respect of such Damage is less than the actual cost of reinstatement or repair, any payment under this clause resulting from that Damage will be reduced in like proportion
- (2) Your liability for such tax does not arise from the replacement building having greater floor area than or being better or more extensive than the destroyed or damaged building
- (3) where an option to reinstate on another site is exercised, **Our** liability under this clause will not exceed the amount of tax that would have been payable had the building been rebuilt on its original site
- (4) Our liability under this clause will not include amounts payable by You as penalties or interest for nonpayment or late payment of tax.

The following amendments are made to this Policy in respect of this clause only

- A. for the purposes of any Condition of Average, rebuilding costs will be exclusive of Value Added Tax.
- B. Our liability may exceed the Sum Insured where such excess is solely in respect of Value Added Tax.

#### (31) Workmen

Repairs and minor structural alterations may be carried out at **The Premises** without affecting the Cover.

#### (32) Seventy-Two Hour Clause

**Damage** caused by storm, tempest, flood or escape of water from tank, apparatus or pipe under this Section occurring in any one period of 72 (seventy-two) consecutive hours during any one **Period of Insurance** shall constitute one loss for the purposes of the Policy.

You shall select the time from which any such period shall commence but no two such selected periods shall overlap. The **Excess** shall apply separately to each selected period.

## **ADDITIONAL CONTINGENCY**

The following Additional Contingency applies to the Property Damage Section only if stated in the schedule.

#### (1) Subsidence

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage at The Premises caused by Subsidence or ground heave of the site of the Property Insured or landslip.

We will only indemnify You in respect of Damage to:

- (1) forecourts, car parks, driveways, footpaths, swimming pools, terraces or patios
- (2) walls, gates, hedges or fences
  - if
  - (a) such property is specifically insured by this Section, and
  - (b) if **Damage** also occurs to the building to which such property applies and that building is insured by this Section.

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- (1) Damage caused by:
  - (a) collapse, cracking, shrinking or settlement of any building
  - (b) coastal or river erosion
  - (c) defective design or inadequate construction of foundations
  - (d) demolition, structural alteration or repair
  - (e) settlement or movement of made up ground.
- (2) Damage as a result of movement of solid floor slabs. However, We will indemnify You if there is Damage to the foundations beneath the exterior walls of The Premises at the same time.
- (3) the subsidence Excess stated in The Schedule.

## **ADDITIONAL CLAUSE**

The following Additional Clause applies to the Property Damage Section only if stated in **The Schedule**.

#### (1) Day One (Non Adjustable)

- (1) For each item of **Property Insured** to which this clause applies (as stated in **The schedule**) the first and annual premiums are based upon the Declared Value as stated in **The schedule**.
  - Declared Value shall mean:

Your assessment of the cost of reinstatement of the **Property Insured** arrived at in accordance with paragraph (1) of clause (3) the Basis of Settlement-Reinstatement at the level of costs applying at the start of the Period of Insurance (ignoring inflationary factors which may operate subsequently) together with an allowance for

- (a) the additional cost of reinstatement to comply with
  - (i) European Union Legislation
  - (ii) Act of Parliament
  - (iii) Bye-Laws of any public authority
- (b) professional fees
- (c) debris removal costs.

The **Declared Value** incorporated in each item is stated in **The schedule**.

(2) You must notify Us of the Declared Value at the start of each Period of Insurance.

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

- (3) Paragraphs (4) and (5) of Clause (3) the Basis of Settlement- Reinstatement are restated as follows
- (4) if, at the time of the Damage, the Declared Value is less than the cost of reinstatement of the Property Insured, arrived at in accordance with paragraph (1) of this clause, at the start of the Period of Insurance, Our liability for any Damage will be limited to that proportion which the Declared Value bears to the cost of reinstatement of the Property Insured arrived at in accordance with paragraph (1) of this clause.
- (5) We will not pay under this clause
  - (a) until You have incurred the cost of replacing or repairing the property
  - (b) if You, or someone acting on your behalf, have insured the property under another Policy which does not have the same basis of reinstatement
  - (c) if **You** do not comply with any of the provisions of this clause.

However the **Sums Insured** will be limited to that shown in **The Schedule**.

(6) The maximum We will pay in respect of each separate location subject to this clause is as stated in The Schedule.

## LOSS OF RENT SECTION

(only applicable if stated as insured in The Schedule)

## DEFINITIONS

(also refer to the Policy Definitions at the front of this Policy Wording).

The following definitions apply to this Section and shall keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternate definition is stated to apply.

#### **Annual Gross Rentals**

Gross Rentals during the 12 months immediately before the date of the **Damage**.

#### **Book Debts**

The total last recorded by **You** under the provisions of **Condition Precedent** (2) Debit Recording adjusted for:

- (1) bad debts
- (2) amounts debited (or invoiced but not debited) and credited (including credit notes and cash not passed through the books at the time of the Damage) to Customers Accounts in the period between the date to which the last statement relates and the date of the Damage, and
- (3) any abnormal condition of trade which had or could have had a material effect on **The Business**.

The figures adjusted will represent as near as possible, the figures which would have been obtained at the date of the **Damage** had the **Damage** not occurred.

#### **Customer Accounts**

Your accounts for all customers who trade with You on a credit hire purchase basis.

#### Damage

Accidental loss or destruction of or damage.

#### **Defined Contingency**

Fire.

Lightning.

Explosion.

Aircraft and other aerial devices dropped from them. Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers or persons

taking part in labour disturbances.

Malicious persons other than thieves.

Earthquake.

Storm or flood.

Escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe.

Falling trees.

Impact.

Escape of fuel from any fixed oil heating installation. Theft or attempted theft.

#### **Gross Rentals**

Money paid or payable to **You** by tenants for rental of **The Premises** and for the services provided in connection with **The Business** at **The Premises**.

#### **Indemnity Period**

The period during which **The Business** results are affected due to the **Damage**, beginning with the date of the **Damage** and ending not later than the **Maximum Indemnity Period**.

#### **Maximum Indemnity Period**

The number of months stated in **The Schedule**, unless amended in any Additional Contingency.

#### **Notifiable Disease**

The occurrence of any of the following diseases sustained by any person

Diseases notifiable under the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 or the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1988, namely:

Acute encephalitis, Acute poliomyelitis, Anthrax, Cholera, Diphtheria, Dysentery, Food poisoning, Leprosy, Leptospirosis, Malaria, Measles, Meningitis, Meningococcal septicaemia (without meningitis), Mumps, Opthalmia neonatorum, Paratyphoid fever, Plague, Rabies, Relapsing fever, Rubella, Scarlet fever, Smallpox, Tetanus, Tuberculosis, Typhoid fever, Typhus fever, Viral haemorrhagic fever, Viral hepatitis, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, Whooping cough and Yellow fever.

#### **Standard Gross Rentals**

Gross Rentals during that period in the 12 months immediately before the date of the **Damage** which corresponds with the **Indemnity Period**.

Annual Gross Rentals and Standard Gross Rentals may be adjusted to reflect any trends or circumstances which

- (i) affect **The Business** before or after the **Damage**
- (ii) would have affected **The Business** had the **Damage** not occurred.

The adjusted figures will represent, as near as possible, the results which would have been achieved during the same period had the **Damage** not occurred.

## **IMPORTANT NOTE**

All terms in this Section exclude Value Added Tax to the extent that **You** are accountable to the tax authorities for Value Added Tax.

## **COVER**

We will indemnify You in respect of any interruption or interference with The Business resulting from Damage occurring during the Period of Insurance at The Premises not excluded by the terms of the Property Damage Section of this Policy

#### We will pay

#### (1) loss in Gross Rentals

the amount by which, due to the **Damage**, the **Standard Gross Rentals** exceed the **Gross Rentals** during the **Indemnity Period** less any savings during the **Indemnity Period** in business charges or expenses, payable out of **Gross rentals**, which reduce or cease due to the **Damage**.

#### (2) increase in cost of working

any additional expense **You** necessarily and reasonably incur solely to prevent or limit a reduction in **Gross Rentals** during the **Indemnity Period** which but for such additional expense would have taken place due to the **Damage**. **We** will not pay more than the reduction avoided by the expenditure

However, **We** will not pay more than We would pay under (1) above.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one claim is the **Gross Rentals Sum Insured** shown in **The Schedule**.

If at the time of the **Damage** the **Sum Insured** is less than the **Annual Gross Rentals** (proportionately increases where the **Maximum Indemnity Period** exceeds 12 months), **You** will be **Your** own insurer for the difference and bear a rateable share of the loss.

(3) alternative accommodation

the cost of similar alternative accommodation incurred by any **Resident** if this is necessary

#### (4) kennels and cattery charges

the cost of accommodation in kennels and, or catteries for dogs and, or cats belonging to any **Resident** where such pets are not permitted in any alternative accommodation.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one claim is the **Sum Insured** shown in **The Schedule**.

#### (5) Book Debts

We will indemnify You in respect of loss sustained by You for Book Debts directly due to Damage at The Premises to Your books of account, other business books or records.

The amount payable in respect of any one occurrence of **Damage** will not exceed:

- (a) the difference between
  - (i) The Book Debts

and

- (ii) The total of all the amounts received or traced
- (b) the additional expenditure incurred with Our consent in tracing and establishing customers debit balances after the Damage

(c) if **We** require any information to verify a claim **Your** professional accountants at the time of the claim may produce and report details contained in business books or records. Their report will be accepted as prima facie evidence of the details.

#### We will pay Your professional accountants charges for

 producing information We require for investigating any claim

and

(ii) confirming the information in accordance with your business books

The maximum **We** will pay for any claim, including professional accountants fees, is the limit stated in **The Schedule**.

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- (1) loss due to records being mislaid or misfiled
- (2) loss arising from deliberate falsification of records
- (3) failure to collect debts which have been traced and established.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

The following Exclusions apply to this Section.

(Also refer to the Policy Exclusions at the back of this Policy Wording).

We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage caused by:

 the deliberate act of a supply undertaking in withholding the supply of water, gas, electricity, fuel or telecommunications services.

However, **We** will indemnify you in respect of loss resulting from **Damage**:

- (a) caused by a **Defined Contingency** or from any other **Damage** not otherwise excluded
- (b) from an ensuing cause which is not excluded.
- (2) erasure or distortion of information on computer systems or other records
  - (a) while mounted in or on any machine or data processing equipment,

or

(b) due to the presence of magnetic flux unless caused by **Damage** to the equipment in which the records are mounted.

(3) change in the water table level.

## CONDITIONS

The following conditions apply to this Section. (Also refer to the Policy Conditions at the back of this Policy Wording).

#### (1) Alteration

We will not indemnify You in respect of Damage if:

- (1) The Business is
  - (a) wound up or carried on by a liquidator or receiver(b) permanently discontinued
- (2) Your interest ceases otherwise than by Your death.

However, **We** will indemnify **You** if **We** agree otherwise in writing.

#### (2) Claims Procedures

If in relation to any claim **You** have failed to comply with the following Claims Procedures **You** will lose **Your** right to indemnity under this Section.

#### You must:

- take any action reasonably practicable to minimise any interruption of or interference with **The Business** or to avoid or minimise any **Damage**
- (2) at Your expense, provide Us with:(a) a written claim
  - and
  - (b) details of other insurances covering the Damage within 30 days after the expiry of the Indemnity Period or such further time that We may allow.
  - (c) books, records and documents **We** require to assess **Your** claim
- (3) repay Us, any payment on account We have already made, if You fail to comply with this condition.

#### (3) Property Cover

We will not indemnify You in respect of any Damage insured by this Section unless

 there is in force at the time of the Damage, an insurance Policy covering Your interest in the property at The Premises for the Damage

and

(2) (a) payment has been made or liability admitted for such **Damage** 

or

(b) payment would have been made or liability would have been admitted for such **Damage** but for the exclusion of losses below a stated amount in such insurance Policy.

## **CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

#### (1) Debit Recording

It is a **Condition Precedent** to **Our** liability to make any payment under this Section that at the end of each quarter **You** must record the total amount outstanding in **Your Customers Accounts**.

You must keep this information in a different building to that containing Your accounting and other business records.

This information may be maintained by Your accountant.

## CLAUSES

The following clauses apply to this Section only.

#### (1) Action by the Police Authority

We will indemnify You in respect of loss resulting from interruption or interference with The Business as a result of prevention of access to The Premises by the Police Authority due to a danger or disturbance in the vicinity of The Premises.

However **We** will not indemnify **You** for any interruption or interference lasting less than 12 hours.

The maximum **We** will pay under this clause is £100,000 in respect of the total of all losses occurring during the **Period of Insurance**.

The provisions of any Automatic Reinstatement clause will not apply in respect of this clause.

#### (2) Additional Gross Rentals

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to any newly acquired or newly erected building and, or any alteration or improvement to a building anywhere in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man resulting in loss of Gross Rentals as insured by this Section.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one premises is 10% of the **Gross Rentals Sum Insured** or £500,000 whichever is the lower.

You must provide Us with details of these additional Gross Rentals as soon as possible but at least every six months and pay the appropriate additional premium.

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- (1) any building more specifically insured
- (2) any appreciation in value.

#### (3) Alternative Premises

The Gross Rentals during the Indemnity Period will include Gross Rentals derived elsewhere than from The Premises if The Business is conducted elsewhere than at The Premises.

#### (4) Auditors and Professional Accountants

We will pay Your auditors and professional accountants and solicitors reasonable charges for

- producing information We require for investigating any claim and
- (2) confirming the information is in accordance with **Your** business books
- (3) determining **Your** contractual rights under any rent cessor clause or insurance break clause contained in the lease

but not for any other purposes in the preparation of any claim.

The maximum **We** will pay for any claim, including auditors and professional accountants charges, is the **Sum Insured**.

#### (5) Automatic Reinstatement

The **Sums Insured** stated in **The Schedule** will not be reduced by the amount of any claim unless **We** or **You** give written notice to the contrary.

However, **You** must pay the additional premium required to reinstate the **Sums Insured**.

#### (6) Buildings Awaiting Sale

**Buildings** forming part of the **Property Insured**, that **You** have contracted to sell or have accepted an offer in writing to purchase the interest in the buildings subject to contract, where that sale is cancelled or delayed solely due to the **Damage**.

Under this clause We will indemnify You in respect of:

- interest payable by You on capital borrowed which, but for the Damage, would be available, from the proceeds of the sale, for investment in The Business
- (2) the additional interest payable by You on amounts borrowed at a rate of interest not exceeding 2% above the prevailing Inter Bank Lending Rate
- (3) the investment interest lost by You on any proceeds of the sale (after the deduction of any capital borrowed as detailed in (2) above).

We will not indemnify You if You do not make all efforts to complete the sale as soon as possible following the Damage.

#### Maximum Indemnity Period Six months

#### **Indemnity Period**

The period during which the results of **The Business** are affected due to the **Damage**, beginning with the date on which, but for the **Damage**, the building would have been sold and ending with the date of completion or the expiry of the **Maximum Indemnity Period** if earlier.

#### (7) Contracting Purchaser's Interest

Between You contracting to sell Your interest in any of The Premises and the completion of the purchase by a third party, if Damage occurs which is not otherwise insured by the third party, on completion the third party will be entitled to benefit under this Section without prejudice to the rights and liabilities of You or Us.

#### (8) Disease, Infestation and Defective Sanitation

We will indemnify You in respect of loss of Gross Rentals as insured under this Section resulting from the occurrence of

- an illness sustained by any person caused by food or drink poisoning attributable to food or drink supplied from The Premises
- (2) a Notifiable Disease sustained by any person at The Premises
- (3) vermin or pests at The Premises
- (4) an accident which causes defects in the drains or other sanitary arrangements at **The Premises**

where use of **The Premises** is restricted on the order or advice of the competent authority.

(5) murder or suicide at The Premises.

The maximum **We** will pay under this Clause is £50,000 in respect of the total of all losses occurring during the **Period of Insurance**.

We will not indemnify You in respect of

- (a) costs incurred in cleaning, repair, replacement, recall or checking of property
- (b) loss arising from premises other than those directly subject to the occurrence.

## (9) Loss of Attraction

We will indemnify You in respect of loss of Gross Rentals as insured under this Section resulting from Damage to property in the vicinity of The Premises by any cause insured under the Property Damage Section which directly causes a loss of custom to The Business.

#### (10) Loss of Investment Income on Late Payment of Gross Rentals

If as a result of **Damage We** are indemnifying **You** in respect of loss of **Gross Rentals** and the payment by **Us** to **You** is made later than the date on which **You** would normally have expected to receive rent from a lessee, **We** will pay a further amount representing the investment interest lost to **You** during the delay period.

#### (11) Managing Agents Premises

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to property of Your managing agents at their premises in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

For the purposes of this clause only, **The Premises** shall include any premises occupied by **Your** managing agents for the purposes of their business.

#### (12) Payments of Account - Rent

Claim payments on account may be made to **you** during the **Indemnity Period** in respect of claims for loss of **gross rentals** on the date which but for the **Damage** the gross rentals would have been due from the lessee.

#### (13) Prevention of Access

We will indemnify You in respect of Damage to property in the vicinity of The Premises which prevents or hinders use of or access to The Premises whether The Premises have been damaged or not.

The maximum **We** will pay under this Clause is £1,000,000 in respect of the total of all losses occurring during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### (14) Public Utilities

We will indemnify You in respect of loss of Gross Rentals caused by interruption or interference with The Business as a result of accidental failure of Your supply of

- (1) electricity
- (2) gas
- (3) water

at the terminal ends of **Your** suppliers feed to **The Premises**.

 (4) telecommunications services at the incoming line terminals or receivers at The Premises.

We will not indemnify You in respect of accidental failure:

- (1) caused by:
  - (a) the deliberate act of any supply authority
  - (b) the exercise of any supply authority's power to withdraw or restrict supply or services
  - (c) industrial action.
- (2) other than in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.
- (3) lasting less than four hours.
- (4) of telecommunications services caused by
  - (a) atmospheric or weather conditions but this will not exclude accidental failure due to **Damage** to equipment caused by such conditions.
    (b) failure of any satellite
  - (b) failure of any satellite.
- (5) of water supplies caused by drought or other weather conditions but this will not exclude accidental failure due to **Damage** to water supply equipment caused by such conditions.

The maximum **We** will pay in respect of any one claim for accidental failure is £50,000.

#### (15) Subrogation Waiver

We agree to waive any rights, remedies or relief to which We may be entitled by subrogation against

- any company whose relationship to You is either a parent to subsidiary or subsidiary to parent as defined in, or within the meaning of the relevant Companies Act or Companies (N.I.) Order, current at the time of Damage.
- (2) any company which is a subsidiary of a parent company of which **You** are a subsidiary as defined in, or within the meaning of the relevant Companies Act or Companies (NI) Order, current at the time of the **Damage**.
- (3) any tenant of **Yours** provided that:
  - (a) the tenant or lessee contributes to the cost of insuring the **Property Insured** against the event which caused the **Damage**
  - (b) the **Damage** did not result from a breach of the terms of the lease by the tenant or lessee
  - (c) the **Damage** did not result from a criminal, fraudulent or malicious act or the tenant or lessee.

## **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY SECTION**

(only applicable if stated as insured in The Schedule)

## **DEFINITIONS**

(also refer to the Policy Definitions at the front of this Policy Wording).

The following definitions apply to this Section and shall keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### **Bodily Injury**

Bodily Injury including death, illness, disease or nervous shock.

#### Compensation Damages,

including interest.

#### Costs and Expenses

- (1) fees for **The Insured's** legal representation at
  - (a) any Coroner's Inquest or Fatal Accident Inquiry(b) proceedings in any Court of Summary Jurisdiction arising out of any alleged breach of statutory duty
- (2) **Cost and Expenses** incurred with **Our** written consent
- (3) any claimant's legal costs for which **The Insured** is legally liable in connection with any event which is or may be the subject of indemnity under this Section.

#### The Defined Territories

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands or offshore installations within the Continental Shelf around such territories.

#### The Insured

(1) You.

- (2) Your personal representatives in respect of legal liability You incur.
- (3) At Your request:
  - (a) any director, partner or **Employee** of **Yours**
  - (b) the officers, committees and members of Your:
    - (i) canteen, social, sports, educational and welfare organisations
    - (ii) first aid, fire, security and ambulance services in their respective capacities as such
  - (c) any principal for whom You are carrying out a contract to the extent required by the contract conditions
  - (d) those who hire plant to You to the extent required by the hiring conditions

or the personal representative of any of these persons in respect of legal liability for which **You** would have been entitled to indemnity if the claim had been made against **You**.

Each indemnified party will be subject to the terms of this Section so far as they apply.

The total amount which **We** will pay will not exceed **The Limit** of **Indemnity** regardless of the number of parties claiming to be indemnified.

#### The Limit of Indemnity

The maximum amount, stated in **The Schedule**, including **Costs and Expenses**, which **We** will pay in respect of any one claim or series of claims against **The Insured** arising out of one cause.

#### **The Territorial Limits**

Anywhere in the world in connection with **The Business** conducted by **You** from premises within **The Defined Territories**.

We will not provide indemnity in respect of **Bodily Injury** to any **Employee** engaged by **You** outside **The Defined Territories** for the purpose of work by any such **Employee** outside **The Defined Territories**.

## COVER

We will indemnify The Insured against:

- (1) legal liability to pay **Compensation** and
- (2) Costs and Expenses

in respect of **Bodily Injury** caused during the **Period of Insurance** to any **Employee** arising out of and in the course of employment by **You** in **The Business** within **The Territorial Limits**.

The maximum We will pay is The Limit of Indemnity.

## **EXCLUSIONS**

The following Exclusions apply to this Section.

(also refer to the Policy Exclusions at the back of this Policy Wording).

We will not provide indemnity in respect of:

- work in or on and travel to, from or within any offshore:
   (a) accommodation, exploration, drilling or production rig or platform.
  - (b) support vessel.
- (2) **Bodily Injury** sustained by any **Employee** when such a person is:
  - (a) carried in or upon a vehicle
  - (b) entering or getting on to, or alighting from, a vehicle

where any road traffic legislation requires insurance or security.

- (3) (a) liquidated damages.
  - (b) penalty clauses.
  - (c) fines.
  - (d) aggravated, restitutionary, punitive or exemplary damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages or other non-compensatory damages.
- (4) any liability of whatsoever nature arising out of mining, processing, manufacturing, removing, disposing of, distributing or storing of asbestos or products made entirely or mainly of asbestos.

This Exclusion shall not apply to the removal or disposal of asbestos or products made entirely or mainly of asbestos provided

- (a) such activity does not form part of Your usual business.
- (b) the discovery of asbestos is unintentional and accidental and that upon discovery of asbestos or products made entirely or mainly of asbestos all work immediately stops.
- (c) an asbestos removal contractor licensed by the Health and Safety Executive is employed as soon as practicable to make safe the area in which the discovery is made and who has employers' liability insurance in force for limits no less than those stated on **Your** own such polices and that such work is not excluded by the contractors own employers' liability policy

## CONDITIONS

The following conditions apply to this Section.

(also refer to the Policy Conditions at the back of this Policy Wording).

#### (1) Suspension of Cover

We may, at any reasonable time, inspect any property and, in the event of any defect or danger being apparent, We may by written notice to You suspend all Our liability that might otherwise arise from such defect or danger.

## CLAUSES

The following clauses apply to this Section.

#### (1) Additional Activities

- The Business includes:
- (1) ownership, use and upkeep of **Your** premises.
- (2) upkeep of vehicles and plant owned and used by You.
- (3) canteen, social, sports, educational and welfare organisations for the benefit of any Employee.
- (4) Your first aid, fire, security and ambulance services.
- (5) Your participation in exhibitions.
- (6) private work by any Employee, with Your prior consent, for You or for any director, partner or Employee of Yours.

#### (2) Cross Liabilities

We will indemnify each party named as **The Policyholder** in **The Schedule** as if a separate Policy had been issued to each.

The total amount payable will not exceed **The Limit of Indemnity** regardless of the number of parties claiming to be indemnified.

## (3) Legal Expenses arising from Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (1) legal fees and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent for defending proceedings, including appeals
- (2) costs of prosecution awarded against You

which arise from criminal proceedings for any offence as defined in Section 1 of the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007.

#### We will not provide indemnity:

- unless the proceedings relate to an actual or alleged offence committed during the **Period of Insurance** within **The Defined Territories** and in connection with **The Business**.
- (2) in respect of proceedings which
  (a) result from any deliberate act or omission by You
  (b) relate to any person other than an Employee
- (3) in respect of any:
  - (a) fines.
  - (b) remedial or publicity orders or any steps required to be taken by such orders.
- (4) where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

## (4) Legal Expenses arising from Health and Safety Legislation

We will indemnify The Insured in respect of:

- (1) legal fees and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent for defending proceedings, including appeals
- (2) costs of prosecution awarded against The Insured

which arise from any health and safety inquiry or criminal proceedings for any breach of the Health and Safety at Work Act etc. 1974 or the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978.

#### We will not provide indemnity

- unless the proceedings relate to an actual or alleged act, omission or incident committed during The Period of Insurance within The Defined Territories and in connection with The Business.
- (2) in respect of proceedings which
  - (a) result from any deliberate act or omission by You.(b) relate to the health and safety of any person other than an Employee.
- (3) where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

#### (5) Our Right of Recovery

The indemnity granted by this Section is deemed to be in accordance with the provisions of any law relating to the compulsory insurance of liability to **Employees** in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

However, **You** will repay to **Us** all sums **We** would not have been liable to pay but for the provisions of such law.

#### (6) Payment for Court Attendance

We will compensate You if, at Our request, You, any director, partner or **Employee** of Yours, is attending court as a witness in connection with a claim for which **The Insured** is entitled to indemnity.

The maximum We will pay for:

- (1) You, each director or partner is £250 per day.
- (2) each **Employee** is
- £150 per day.

#### (7) Unsatisfied Court Judgments

We will, at Your request, pay any Employee or his or her personal representative, the amount of damages and costs awarded to such person as a result of a judgment which has been obtained for Bodily Injury against any company registered in or any individual domiciled in The Defined Territories and which remain unpaid six months after the date of such judgment.

Payment will only be made where:

- the Bodily Injury was caused during any Period of Insurance to the Employee arising out of and in the course of employment by You in The Business.
- (2) the judgment was obtained in a court within **The Defined Territories**.
- (3) there is no appeal outstanding to the judgment.
- (4) the **Employee**, or his or her personal representative, assigns the judgment debt to **Us**.

# PROPERTY OWNER'S LIABILITY SECTION

(only applicable if stated as insured in The Schedule)

## DEFINITIONS

(also refer to the Policy Definitions at the front of this Policy Wording).

The following definitions apply to this Section and shall keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section.

#### **Bodily Injury**

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

**Compensation** Damages,

including interest.

## **Costs and Expenses**

- (1) fees for **The Insured's** legal representation at
  - (a) any Coroner's Inquest or Fatal Accident Inquiry(b) proceedings in any Court of Summary Jurisdiction arising out of any alleged breach of statutory duty
- (2) costs and expenses incurred with Our written consent
- (3) any claimant's legal costs for which **The Insured** is legally liable in connection with any event which is or may be the subject of indemnity under this Section.

#### Damage

Physical

- (1) loss.
- (2) destruction.
- (3) damage.

#### **Financial Loss**

A pecuniary loss suffered by any tenant of **The Insured** and not caused by **Personal Injury** or **Damage** to property.

#### **Personal Injury**

- (1) Bodily Injury.
- (2) wrongful(a) arrest, detention or imprisonment.
  - (b) eviction.
  - (c) accusation of shoplifting.

#### **Pollution or Contamination**

- (1) pollution or contamination of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere
  - and
- (2) all loss, **Damage** to property and **Bodily Injury** directly or indirectly caused by such pollution or contamination.

#### **Products Supplied**

Anything which is

- (1) manufactured, sold, supplied, processed, altered or treated
- (2) repaired, serviced, cleaned, maintained and inspected or tested

(3) installed, constructed, erected or transported

by **You** or on **Your** behalf and which is no longer in the custody or control of **The Insured**.

#### Property

Material property.

## The Defined territories

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands or offshore installations within the Continental Shelf around such territories.

#### The Insured

- (1) You.
- (2) **Your** personal representatives in respect of legal liability **You** incur.
- (3) At Your request:
  - (a) any director, partner, or Employee of Yours
  - (b) the officers, committees and members of  $\ensuremath{\textbf{Your}}$ :
    - (i) canteen, social, sports, educational and welfare organisations
    - (ii) first aid, fire, security and ambulance services in their respective capacities as such
  - (c) any principal for whom **You** are carrying out a contract, to the extent required by the contract conditions
  - (d) those who hire plant to **You** to the extent required by the hiring conditions

or the personal representatives of any of these persons in respect of legal liability for which **You** would have entitled to indemnity if the claim had been made against **You**.

Each indemnified party will be subject to the terms of this Section so far as they apply.

The total amount which **We** will pay will not exceed **The Limit of Indemnity** regardless of the number of parties claiming to be indemnified.

#### The Limit of Indemnity

The maximum amount, stated in **The Schedule**, which **We** will pay in respect of any one event or all events of a series consequent on or attributable to one original cause.

In respect of

- (1) Products Supplied
- (2) Pollution or Contamination

The Limit of Indemnity will apply to the total of all events occurring happening in any one **Period of Insurance**.

### The Territorial Limits

Anywhere in the world in connection with **The Business** conducted by **You** from premises within **The Defined Territories**.

#### The Works

All works completed or to be completed by **You** or on **Your** behalf including

- (1) all materials incorporated or to be incorporated
- (2) plant, tools, equipment and temporary buildings used or to be used

for the period during which **You** are responsible under contract conditions.

## COVER

We will indemnify The Insured against:

(1) legal liability to pay **Compensation** 

and

- (2) Costs and Expenses in respect of accidental
  - (a) Personal Injury
  - (b) Damage to Property
  - (c) obstruction, trespass, nuisance or interference with any right of way, air, light or water

which arises in connection with **The Business** and which happens during the **Period of Insurance** and within **The Territorial Limits**.

The maximum **We** will pay is **The Limit of Indemnity** and any **Costs and Expenses**. However, in respect of any claim brought in:

- (1) the United States of America or any territory within its jurisdiction
- (2) Canada

the maximum We will pay, inclusive of Costs and Expenses, is The Limit of Indemnity

## **EXCLUSIONS**

The following Exclusions apply to this Section. (also refer to the Policy Exclusions at the back of this Policy Wording).

We will not provide indemnity in respect of

- (1) **Personal Injury** to any **Employee** arising out of and in the course of employment by **You** in **The Business**.
- (2) the ownership, possession or use by or on behalf of: **The Insured** of any:
  - (a) aircraft, aerial device or hovercraft.
  - (b) watercraft exceeding 8 metres in length.
  - (c) motor vehicle, trailer or plant in circumstances where compulsory insurance or security is required by any road traffic legislation other than
    - (i) where described in the Motor Contingent Liability Clause.
    - (ii) the loading or unloading of any such vehicle, trailer or plant where indemnity is not provided by another insurance Policy.

#### (3) Damage to Property

- (a) which You own or is loaned, leased, hired or rented to The Insured
- (b) which is held in trust or in the custody or control of (i) **The Insured** 
  - (ii) any other party who is carrying out work on Your behalf other than in the circumstances described in the Hired or Rented Premises Clause or the Employees' and Visitors' Personal Belongings Clause.
- (c) which requires to be insured under the terms of Clause 21.2.1. of the Standard Form of Building Contract issued by the Joint Contracts Tribunal or a clause of similar intent under other contract conditions.

- (4) Damage to or the cost incurred by anyone in repairing, removing, replacing, reapplying, rectifying or reinstating
  - (a) **Products Supplied** (other than **Products Supplied** under a separate contract).
  - (b) The Works.
- (5) recalling or making refunds in respect of(a) Products Supplied.
  - (b) The Works.
- (6) advice, instruction, consultancy, design, formula, specification, inspection, certification or testing performed or provided separately for a fee or under a separate contract.
- (7) the carrying out of any work or any **Products Supplied** which affects or could affect:
  - (a) the navigation, propulsion or safety of any aircraft or other aerial device
  - (b) the safety or operation of nuclear installations.
- (8) (a) Pollution or Contamination other than 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.
  - (b) directly or indirectly caused by or arising from Pollution or Contamination in the United States of America or Canada.

All **Pollution or Contamination** which arises out of one incident will be deemed to have happened at the time such incident takes place.

- (9) (a) work in or on and travel to, from or within
  - (b) **Products Supplied** to: any offshore:
    - (i) accommodation, exploration, drilling or production rig or platform.
    - (ii) support vessel.
- (10) (a) liquidated damages.
  - (b) penalty clauses.
  - (c) fines.
  - (d) aggravated, restitutionary, punitive or exemplary damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages or other noncompensatory damages.
- (11) liability imposed on You solely by reason of the terms of any contract conditions or agreement in connection with Products Supplied.
- (12) the amount of Compensation, Costs and Expenses shown in The Schedule as applying in respect of each and every event resulting in Damage to Property.
- You will reimburse any such amount paid by Us.
- (13) **Products Supplied** other than:
  - (a) the sale or supply of food and drink
  - (b) the disposal of furniture and office equipment previously used in the course of **The Business**.

(14) any liability of whatsoever nature arising out of mining, processing, manufacturing, removing, disposing of, distributing or storing of asbestos or products made entirely or mainly of asbestos.

This Exclusion shall not apply to the removal or disposal of asbestos or products made entirely or mainly of asbestos provided

- (a) such activity does not form part of **Your** usual business.
- (b) the discovery of asbestos is unintentional and accidental and that upon discovery of asbestos or products made entirely or mainly of asbestos all work immediately stops.
- (c) an asbestos removal contractor licensed by the Health and Safety Executive is employed as soon as practicable to make safe the area in which the discovery is made and who has public liability insurance in force for limits no less than those stated on **Your** own such polices and that such work is not excluded by the contractors own public liability policy.
- (15) arising from or in connection with any company domiciled or registered in the United States of America or Canada or their territories or possessions.

## CONDITIONS

The following conditions apply to this Section. (also refer to the Policy Conditions at the back of this Policy Wording).

#### (1) Suspension of Cover

We may, at any reasonable time, inspect any property and, in the event of any defect or danger being apparent, We may by written notice to You suspend all Our liability that might otherwise arise from such defect or danger.

#### (2) Bona Fide Subcontractors

You shall as a condition precedent to liability in every instance ensure and keep a record that bona fide subcontractors maintain Employers' Liability insurance, where required by statute, and Public and Products Liability insurances for not less than the Limit of Indemnity in respect of each such Section as stated in The Schedule.

## **CLAUSES**

The following clauses apply to this Section.

#### (1) Additional Activities

#### The Business includes

- (1) ownership, use and upkeep of Your premises.
- (2) upkeep of vehicles and plant which are owned and used by **You**.
- (3) **Your** canteen, social, sports, educational and welfare organisations for the benefit of any **Employee**.
- (4) **Your** first aid, fire, security and ambulance services.
- (5) Your participation in exhibitions.
- (6) private work by any **Employee**, with **Your** prior consent, for **You** or for any director, partner or **Employee**.

#### (2) Contractual Liability

We will indemnify **The Insured** against liability in respect of accidental **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** to **Property** imposed on **You** solely by reason of the terms of any agreement provided that the conduct and control of any claim is vested in **Us**.

We will not provide indemnity in respect of any agreement for or including the performance of work outside **The Defined Territories**.

#### (3) Cross Liabilities

We will indemnify each party named as **The Policyholder** in **The Schedule** as if a separate Policy had been issued to each.

The total amount payable will not exceed **The Limit of Indemnity** regardless of the number of parties claiming to be indemnified.

#### (4) Data Protection Act 1998

- We will indemnify The Insured in respect of:
  - (1) legal fees and defence costs
  - (2) legal liability for **Compensation** to an individual
    - (a) the subject of personal data **The Insured** holds and
    - (b) who suffers damage or distress caused by
      - (i) inaccuracy of data
      - (ii) loss of the data
      - (iii) unauthorised destruction or disclosure of the data
      - (iv) unauthorised access to the data

arising from proceedings brought against **The Insured** under Section 13 of the Data Protection Act 1998.

The maximum We will pay for all claims happening during any one **Period of Insurance** is  $\pounds1,000,000$ .

We will not provide indemnity in respect of

- (1) (a) Personal Injury other than as provided by this clause.(b) Damage to Property.
  - (c) fraud, dishonesty, insolvency, financial default, conspiracy, conversion, deceit, intimidation, inducement of breach of contract, injurious falsehood or breach of confidence.
  - (d) libel, slander or defamation.
- (2) consequential loss.
- (3) liability
  - (a) as a result of **You** having authorised the destruction or disclosure of the data.
  - (b) which could reasonably have been expected to arise as a result of any other deliberate act or omission by You.
- (4) any fine or statutory payment.
- (5) liability which arises solely by reason of the terms of any agreement.
- (6) liability in respect of liquidated damages or under any penalty clause.
- (7) legal costs or expenses or financial losses in respect of any order.
  - (a) for rectification or erasure of data.
  - (b) requiring the data to be supplemented by any other statements.

- (8) proceedings relating to **Compensation** for any:
  - (a) **Employee** if the Employers' Liability Section of this Policy is not in force.
  - (b) third party if the Property Owner's Liability Section of this Policy is not in force.

#### (5) Defective Premises

We will indemnify **The Insured** in respect of legal liability for accidental **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** to **Property** arising under:

- (1) the Defective Premises Act 1972
- (2) the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 or the Defective Premises (Landlord's Liability) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001

in connection with any premises which **You** previously owned or occupied for the purposes of **The Business**.

We will not provide indemnity in respect of the cost of rectifying any defect or alleged defect in such premises.

(6) Employees' and Visitors' Personal Belongings We will indemnify The Insured in respect of legal liability for accidental Damage to Employees' and visitors' vehicles and personal belongings which are in the custody or control of The Insured.

We will not provide indemnity where this Property is:

- (1) loaned, leased, hired or rented to The Insured.
- (2) stored for a fee or other consideration by The Insured.
- (3) in the custody or control of **The Insured** for the purposes of being worked upon.

#### (7) Financial Loss – Property Owners

We will indemnify **The Insured** in respect of legal liability for **Financial Loss** as a direct result of the failure to provide any Property or service in connection with **Property Insured** as detailed under the **Property Damage** Section of this Policy.

The maximum **We** will pay, including **Costs and Expenses**, in respect of all claims made against **The Insured** in any one **Period of Insurance** is £500,000.

This indemnity only applies to claims made against **The Insured** during the currency of this clause or within 30 days of its expiry.

#### We will not provide indemnity:

- (1) in respect of Financial Loss as a result of
  - (a) circumstances which, at inception of this Property Owner's Liability Section, **The Insured** knew or ought to have known about and which were likely to give rise to a claim.
  - (b) fraud, dishonesty, insolvency, financial default, conspiracy, conversion, deceit, intimidation, inducement of breach of contract or injurious falsehood.
  - (c) passing off or infringement of any trademark, trade name, merchandise mark, registered design, copyright or patent right.
  - (d) libel, slander or defamation.
  - (e) liability under the Data Protection Act 1998 or any subsequent amending legislation.
  - (f) any diminution in value of any Property.

- (g) the failure or partial failure of any managing agent to fulfil their obligations under any contract.
- (h) any consequence whatsoever directly or indirectly caused by:
  - or contributed to or arising from
  - (i) the presence of
  - (ii) the release of

Asbestos including any product containing asbestos.

(2) for the first 5% or £1,000, whichever is the greater, of Compensation, Costs and Expenses in respect of each and every loss.

#### (8) Hired or Rented Premises

We will indemnify **The Insured** in respect of legal liability as a result of accidental **Damage** to premises (including fixtures and fittings) within **The Defined Territories** which are hired, rented or loaned to **The Insured** in connection with **The Business**.

We will not provide indemnity in respect of:

- the first £250 of Compensation, Costs and Expenses in respect of such Damage caused other than by fire or explosion.
- (2) liability imposed on **The Insured** solely by reason of the terms of the hiring or renting agreement.
- (3) Damage caused by fire or any other peril against which the hiring or renting agreement specifies that insurance is taken out by The Insured.

#### (9) Legal Expenses arising from Consumer Protection Act 1987 and Food Safety Act 1990

We will indemnify The Insured in respect of:

- (1) legal fees and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent for defending proceedings, including appeals
- (2) costs of prosecution awarded against The Insured

which arise from criminal proceedings for any breach of Part II of the Consumer Protection Act 1987 or Part II of the Food Safety Act 1990.

We will not provide indemnity:

- unless the proceedings relate to an actual or alleged act, omission or incident committed during the **Period of Insurance** within **The Defined Territories** and in connection with **The Business**.
- (2) in respect of proceedings which result from any deliberate act or omission by **You**.
- (3) where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

## (10) Legal Expenses arising from Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

We will indemnify You in respect of:

- (1) legal fees and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent for defending proceedings, including appeals
- (2) costs of prosecution awarded against You

which arise from criminal proceedings for any offence as defined in Section 1 of the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007.

The maximum We will pay for all claims happening during any one Period of Insurance is  $\pounds 2,500,000$ .

We will not provide indemnity:

- unless the proceedings relate to an actual or alleged offence committed during the Period of Insurance within The Defined Territories and in connection with The Business.
- (2) in respect of proceedings which:
  (a) result from any deliberate act or omission by You
  (b) relate to any person other than an Employee
- (3) in respect of any(a) fines.
  - (b) remedial or publicity orders or any steps required to be taken by such orders.
- (4) where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

## (11) Legal Expenses arising from Health and Safety Legislation

We will indemnify The Insured in respect of:

- (1) legal fees and expenses incurred with **Our** written consent for defending proceedings, including appeals
- (2) costs of prosecution awarded against The Insured

which arise from any health and safety inquiry or criminal proceedings for any breach of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 or the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978.

We will not provide indemnity

- unless the proceedings relate to an actual or alleged act, omission or incident committed during the **Period of Insurance** within **The Defined Territories** and in connection with **The Business**.
- (2) in respect of proceedings which:
  (a) result from any deliberate act or omission by You.
  (b) relate to the health and safety of any Employee.
- (3) Where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

#### (12) Motor Contingent Liability

We will indemnify You in respect of Your legal liability for accidental **Bodily Injury** and **Damage** to **Property** which arises from any vehicle or trailer attached thereto which is:

- (1) (a) not owned by,
  - (b) not loaned, leased, hired or rented to

You nor provided by You

(2) which is being used in connection with **The Business** in **The Defined Territories**.

We will not provide indemnity:

- (1) in respect of **Damage** to the vehicle or trailer or goods carried in or on the vehicle or trailer.
- (2) while the vehicle is being driven by(a) You.
  - (b) any person who to Your knowledge or that of Your representatives does not hold a licence to drive the vehicle unless such person has held and is not disqualified from holding or obtaining such a licence.
- (3) where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

#### (13) Overseas Personal Liability

We will indemnify You and, at Your request, any director, partner or Employee of Yours in respect of legal liability for accidental Bodily Injury or Damage to Property incurred in a personal capacity whilst such persons are temporarily outside The Defined Territories in connection with The Business.

We will also indemnify any accompanying spouse and children.

Where **You** are an individual, this indemnity will also apply to **Your** personal liability whilst away from **Your** business premises in connection with **The Business** but within **The Defined Territories**.

We will not provide indemnity:

- where liability arises from

   (a) any agreement unless liability would have existed otherwise.
  - (b) ownership or occupation of land or buildings.
  - (c) the carrying on of any trade or profession.
  - (d) ownership, possession or use of wild animals, firearms (other than sporting guns), mechanically propelled vehicles, aircraft or watercraft.
- (2) where indemnity is provided by another insurance Policy.

#### (14) Payment for Court Attendance

We will compensate You if, at Our request, You, any director, partner or **Employee** of Yours, is attending court as a witness in connection with a claim for which **The Insured** is entitled to indemnity.

The maximum **We** will pay for:

- (1) You, each director or partner is £250 per day.
- (2) each Employee is

£150 per day.

## **TERRORISM SECTION**

(only applicable if stated as insured in The Schedule)

## DEFINITIONS

(also refer to the Policy Definitions at the front of this Policy Wording).

The following definitions apply to this Section and shall keep the same meaning wherever they appear in the Section, unless an alternative definition is stated to apply.

#### Act of Terrorism

Act 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.

#### **Denial of Service Attack**

Any actions or instruction constructed or generated with the ability to damage, interfere with or otherwise affect the availability of networks, network services, network connectivity or information systems.

This includes but is not limited to the generation of excess traffic into network addresses, the exploitation of system or network weaknesses and the generation of excess or non-genuine traffic between or amongst networks.

#### Hacking

Unauthorised access to any computer or other equipment, component, system or item which processes, stores or retrieves data whether the property of **You** or not.

#### Head/Heads of Cover

Any of the following types of direct insurance cover

- (1) Buildings and completed structures
- (2) Other property
- (3) Business Interruption
- (4) Book Debts

insured under this Policy.

#### Phishing

Any access or attempted access to data or information made by means of misrepresentation or deception.

#### **Private Individual**

Any person other than a:

- (1) company, association or partnership
- (2) trustee or body of trustees where insurance is arranged under the terms of a trust
- (3) person who owns **Residential Property** for the purpose of their business as a sole trader
- (4) person who owns **Residential Property** of which in excess of 20 per cent of the property is commercially occupied.

## **IMPORTANT NOTE**

(a) where the Residential Property is occupied by a trustee or a sole trader as a private residence and where the property is not a block of flats, each will be deemed to be a Private Individual in respect of that same property

and

(b) where two or more persons have arranged insurance on **Residential Property** in their several names and, or the name of the **Policyholder** includes the name of a bank or a building society or other financial institution for the purpose of noting their interest in the property insured, they will be deemed to be a **Private Individual** in respect of that property.

#### **Residential Property**

- (1) Private dwelling houses and flats.
- (2) Household goods and personal effects.

#### Treasury

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time or any successor relevant authority.

#### Virus or Similar Mechanism

Program, code, programming instruction or any set of instructions intentionally constructed with the ability to damage, interfere with or otherwise adversely affect computer programs, data, files or operations whether involving self-replication or not.

This includes but is not limited to trojan horses, worms and logic bombs.

## COVER

We will indemnify You in respect of all losses arising under any Head of Cover resulting from loss or destruction of or damage to property insured under this Policy directly caused by an Act of Terrorism occurring during the Period of Insurance at The Premises but only in England, Wales and Scotland but not the territorial seas adjacent thereto as defined by the Territorial Sea Act 1987 nor the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

The maximum **We** will pay under this Section in any one **Period of Insurance** will not exceed the limit of liability or **Sum Insured** for each of the **Heads of Cover** specified in the Section of this Policy where the **Head of Cover** is otherwise insured.

## **EXCLUSIONS**

The following Exclusions apply to this Section.

(also refer to the Policy Exclusions at the back of this Policy Wording).

We will not indemnify You in respect of:

- digital or cyber risks, that is any loss whatsoever arising under any Head of Cover directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from:
  - (a) the alteration, modification, distortion, corruption of or damage to any computer or other equipment or component or system or item which processes, stores, transmits or receives data or any part thereof, whether tangible or intangible (including but without limitation any information or programs or software); or
  - (b) any alteration, modification, distortion, erasure, corruption of data processed by any such computer or other equipment or component or system or item.

whether the property of **You** 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** 

- (2) any losses arising under any Head of Cover directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from or occasioned by or resulting from riot, civil commotion, war and allied risks defined as war, invasion, act of foreign enemy hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power.
- (3) losses arising under any Head of Cover as a result of loss or destruction of or damage to Residential Property Insured in the name of a Private Individual.

## **CONDITIONS**

The following Conditions apply to this Section. (also refer to the Policy Conditions at the back of this Policy Wording)

- (1) The insurance provided by this Section is subject to all the Definitions, Conditions and Clauses of the Sections of this Policy where the **Head of Cover** is otherwise insured together with the **Policy Definitions** and Policy Conditions, and providing that if there is conflict between this Section and the rest of the Policy, this Section shall prevail.
- (2) We will not indemnify You under this Section unless and until
  - (a) The Treasury issues a certificate certifying that any loss was caused by an Act of Terrorism, as defined in this Section or
  - (b) in the event of the Treasury refusing to issue such a certificate a tribunal formed by agreement between Us and Pool Reinsurance Company Limited decides that the cause of such loss was an Act of Terrorism, as defined in this Section.
- (3) if in relation to any claim You have failed to fulfil any of the following conditions, You will lose Your right to indemnity or payment for that claim:
  - (a) You must declare to Us all property and, or premises owned by You or for which You are responsible including all such property and, or premises of subsidiary companies unless it is the practice of any subsidiary company to effect its own insurance

- (b) **You** must purchase Terrorism insurance from a Pool Reinsurance Company Limited member company in respect of all such property and, or premises.
- (4) We may cancel the cover provided by this Terrorism Section

   (a) by sending You 30 days written notice to Your last known address.

 $\boldsymbol{We}$  will refund a proportionate part of any premium paid for the unexpired period

or

- (b) immediately if the premium has not been paid or if there has been a default under an instalment or linked credit agreement. We will not refund any instalment paid.
- (5) in any action or suit or proceedings where We allege that any loss is not covered by this Section the burden of proving that such loss is covered shall be upon You.
- (6) If this Policy is subject to any Long Term Agreement or Undertaking, it does not apply to this Section.

## **CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

It is a Condition Precedent to Our liability that:

- (1) You must declare to Us all property and, or premises owned by You or for which You are responsible including all such property and, or premises of any subsidiary companies unless it is the practice of any subsidiary to effect its own insurance.
- (2) You must purchase Terrorism insurance from a Pool Reinsurance Company Limited member company in respect of all such property and, or premises.

## LEGAL EXPENSES AND RENT GUARANTEE INSURANCE

(only applicable if stated as insured in The Schedule)

This insurance is underwritten by AmTrust Europe Limited and administered by Arc Legal Assistance Limited.

In the event of a valid claim under this insurance, **We** will appoint **Our** panel solicitors, or their agents, to handle **Your** case. **You** are not covered for any other legal advisers' fees unless court proceedings or a conflict of interest arises. Where it is necessary to start court proceedings or a conflict of interest arises and **You** want to use a legal adviser of **Your** own choice, **Legal Costs and Expenses** payable by **Us** are limited to no more than (a) **Our Standard Legal Costs and Expenses**; or (b) the amount recoverable under the Civil Procedure Fixed Recoverable Costs regime, whichever is the lower amount.

**Insured Events** must be reported to **Us** within 45 days of the **Insured Event**. Notification will only be deemed to have been made upon receipt by **Us** of a fully completed claim form. Failure to notify the **Insured Event** to **Us** within this time will invalidate the insurance.

The insurance covers Legal Costs and Expenses and Rent up to the Maximum Amount Payable where:-

a. The **Insured Event** takes place in the **Period of Insurance** and within the **Territorial Limits.** and

b. The Legal Action takes place in the Territorial Limits.

## **IMPORTANT CONDITIONS**

If **Your** claim is covered under a section of this policy and no exclusions apply then it is vital that **You** comply with the conditions of this policy in order for **Your** claim to proceed. The conditions applicable to this section are contained under the 'General Conditions' section below and should be read carefully. Some of the main conditions to this insurance are that:

#### **Prospects of Success**

There must be more than a 50% chance of winning the case and achieving a positive outcome. A positive outcome includes, but is not limited to, recovering the amount of money at stake, enforcing a judgment or achieving an outcome which best serves **Your** interests. The assessment of **Your** claim and the prospects of its success will be carried out by an independent **Adviser**. If the **Adviser** determines that there is not more than a 50% chance of success then **We** may decline or discontinue support for **Your** case.

#### **Proportional Costs**

An estimate of the Legal Costs and Expenses to deal with Your claim must not be more than the amount of money in dispute. The estimate of the Legal Costs and Expenses will be provided with the assessment of Your case and will be carried out by the independent Adviser. If the estimate exceeds the amount in dispute then We may decline or discontinue support for Your case.

#### **Duty of Fair Presentation**

You are responsible for disclosing, in a clear, accessible and comprehensive way, all information which You should be aware would influence the **Insurer's** decision to provide insurance to You on the terms agreed.

#### **Suspension of Cover**

If **You** breach a condition of this insurance contract which is essential to its performance, this insurance contract will be suspended from the time of the breach until the time the breach can be remedied. The **Insurer** will have no liability to **You** for any loss which occurs, or which is attributable to something happening, during the period when this insurance contract is suspended.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Wherever the following words appear in bold and with a capital letter within this Section they will have the following meaning:

#### Adviser

Our panel solicitor, their agents, or other appropriately qualified person, firm or company appointed by **Us** to act for **You**.

#### Data Protection Legislation

The relevant **Data Protection Legislation** in force in the United Kingdom at the time of the **Insured Event**.

#### Deposit

The sum of money equal to a minimum one month's **Rent** collected from the **Tenant** in respect of a **Tenancy Agreement** to which it applies and held by **You** or **Your** agent as an indemnity for losses incurred by **You** arising from the **Tenant** failing to perform their obligations set out in the **Tenancy Agreement**.

#### **Disclosure Breach**

Disclosing false information or failing to disclose relevant information in the process of entering into this insurance contract

#### Excess

The amount that **You** are required to pay towards any claim. This amount is shown under each section of cover.

#### Guarantor

The individual or organisation assigned to the **Tenancy Agreement** that has received a **Tenant Reference** and provided a financial guarantee in the event that the **Tenant** does not perform their obligations under the **Tenancy Agreement**.

#### **Insured Event**

The incident or the start of a transaction or series of incidents which may lead to a claim or claims being made under the terms of this insurance. In criminal cases the **Insured Event** will be the date that **You** commenced or are alleged to have commenced to violate the criminal law in question.

For the purposes of the **Maximum Amount Payable**, only one **Insured Event** will be regarded as having arisen from all causes or by actions, incidents or events which are related by cause or time.

#### **Insured Property**

The **Insured Property** shown in the underlying property owners insurance schedule to which this policy attaches and as declared to and accepted by **Us** for which the insurance premium has been paid

#### Insurers

AmTrust Europe Limited.

#### Legal Action

The pursuit of civil legal cases for damages or injunctions and the defence of criminal prosecutions.

#### Legal Costs and Expenses

Reasonable legal fees incurred by the **Adviser** up to the hourly rate shown in **Our** fee scale ruling at the time the **Adviser** is instructed and disbursements essential to **Your** case. Legal costs shall be assessed on the standard basis and third party's costs shall be covered if awarded against **You** and paid on the standard basis of assessment.

#### **Maximum Amount Payable**

The maximum payable in respect of an **Insured Event.** This amount is shown under each section of cover.

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#### **Period of Insurance**

The period of insurance shown in the schedule.

#### Rent

The monthly amount payable by the **Tenant** to **You** as set out in the **Tenancy Agreement**.

#### **Standard Professional Costs and Expenses**

The level of **Legal Costs and Expenses** that would normally be incurred in using a specialist panel solicitor or their agents.

#### **Tenancy Agreement**

The written terms of agreement between **You** and **Your Tenant** concerning the lease of the **Insured Property** for commercial use which must be compliant with the Landlord and **Tenant** Act 1954 (Part 2).

#### Tenant

The occupier of the **Insured Property** named in the **Tenancy Agreement** as the **Tenant** who has received a **Tenant Reference** confirming that he/she can, solely or jointly with another **Tenant** or **Tenants**, afford to cover the cost of the **Rent** in full.

#### **Tenant Reference**

A full comprehensive referencing check showing a pass on the **Tenant** and **Guarantor** must be obtained from one of **Our** approved tenant referencing companies.

Details of  $\ensuremath{\textbf{Our}}$  approved tenant referencing companies are available online at

http://www.arclegal.co.uk/informationcentre/index.php

#### **Territorial Limits**

United Kingdom.

#### We/Us/Our/Ourselves

Arc Legal Assistance Limited who administer claims under this insurance on behalf of the **Insurers**.

#### You/Your

The individual or organisation shown in the insurance schedule as the Policyholder and defined in the **Tenancy Agreement** as the 'Landlord' who has paid the premium and been declared to **Insurers**. If **You** die **Your** personal representatives will be covered to pursue cases covered by this insurance on behalf of **You** that arose prior to **Your** death.

## COVER

#### **Section 1. Tenant Eviction**

#### What is insured

Legal Costs and Expenses incurred by You in a Legal Action to evict a Tenant who is in breach of the Tenancy Agreement.

Maximum Amount Payable: £50,000.

Excess:

£1000

#### What is not insured

(1) An Insured Event where:-

- a. There was no written **Tenancy Agreement** in place prior to the **Tenant** being allowed possession of the **Insured Property** or where the terms of the **Tenancy Agreement** are unenforceable.
- b. You are in breach of the terms of the **Tenancy Agreement** or the **Tenant** is pursuing a case against **You** which has reasonable prospects of succeeding.
- c. Where the terms of the **Tenancy Agreement** have not been guaranteed by a **Guarantor** who is an individual or organisation that has received a **Tenant Reference** and has

signed a guarantor agreement assigning them to the obligations of the **Tenancy Agreement**.

- d. The amount in dispute in relation to a Tenancy Agreement falls within the Small Claims Court limit applicable at the date of the Insured Event.
- e. Where **You** are in breach of any rules, regulations or Acts of Parliament relating to the **Deposit**.
- f. Where Legal Costs and Expenses have been incurred as a result of Your failure to follow the advice of the Adviser or arising from Your failure to take any action recommended by Us or the Adviser to recover possession of the Insured Property as promptly as possible.
- g. Where You have allowed the Tenant into possession of the Insured Property before the Tenancy Agreement has been signed by all parties, a Tenant Reference has been obtained, the first month's Rent and the Deposit have been received in cash or cleared funds.
- h. The amount in dispute is less than £250 including VAT.

#### (2) Insured Events:-

- a. Falling within the jurisdiction of the **Rent** assessment committee, the lands tribunal or the leasehold valuation tribunal.
- b. Relating to:
  - i. the compulsory purchase, placing of restrictions or any
  - other action by the government, public or local authority, or ii. planning law including town and country planning legislation, or
  - iii. the payment or non payment of service charges as defined in the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985 (as amended)
- Arising because a Tenancy Agreement is due to end or where the Insured Event relates to the renewal of Tenancy Agreement.
- d. Arising from or connected to Your performance of Your obligations under the **Tenancy Agreement** or where there are insufficient prospects of success in the **Legal Action** due to the terms of the **Tenancy Agreement** being unenforceable.
  - (3) Disbursements incurred by the Adviser are not covered in relation to a Tenancy Agreement unless We have agreed to cover these at Our absolute discretion.

## Section 2. Non-Tenancy Property Infringement What is insured

**Legal Costs and Expenses** incurred by **You** in a **Legal Action** for nuisance or trespass against the person or organisation infringing **Your** legal rights in relation to the **Insured Property**.

Maximum Amount Payable: £50,000.

200,000.

Excess: Nil

#### What is not insured

- a. **Insured Events** where the nuisance or trespass commenced before **You** first purchased this insurance.
- b. Disputes relating to a **Tenancy Agreement** or any other lease or licence to occupy property or land.
- c. **Insured Events** occurring within the first 180 days after **You** first purchased this insurance
- d. **Insured Events** which **You** should reasonably have been aware of occurring before **You** purchased or renewed this insurance

## Section 3. Criminal Prosecution Defence What is insured

Legal Costs and Expenses incurred by You in defending a Legal Action as a result of a prosecution against You in a court of criminal jurisdiction where You are charged for committing a criminal offence directly and solely arising from Your ownership of the Insured Property.

You must take all steps to comply with any regulations and keep evidence of compliance.

Maximum Amount Payable: £50,000

## Excess:

Nil

## What is not insured

- An Insured Event
  - a. Arising from any activities other than those directly and solely arising from **Your** ownership of the **Insured Property**
  - Your actual dishonest, violent, fraudulent or malicious conduct including the actions of any person employed or subcontracted by You or acting under Your instruction
  - c. Your common partnership, trust or committee unless this relates directly and solely to Your ownership of the Insured Property
  - d. Non-payment of business rates or debts
  - e. Criminal activities of Tenants
  - f. Structural alterations or renovation to the **Insured Property**
  - g. The ownership, possession or use of any vehicle
  - h. Seepage, pollution or contamination of any kind
  - i. Manslaughter
  - Health & Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 breaches resulting in prosecution
  - k. Your Tax, VAT or PAYE contributions or returns
  - I. Something **You** have done, knowing it to be wrongful or ignoring that possibility

## Section 4 - Rent Guarantee Insurance

This section of cover only applies where **You** have paid the appropriate additional premium and cover for Rent Guarantee Insurance is shown separately from Legal Expenses Insurance as insured on **Your** policy schedule.

#### What is Insured

You are covered for **Rent** owed by a **Tenant** under a **Tenancy Agreement** in relation to the **Insured Property** up to the **Maximum Amount Payable** where the **Insured Event** occurs during the **Period of Insurance** and **You**, where appropriate, are pursuing a claim against the **Tenant** to evict them from the **Insured Property.** 

One full regular payment of **Rent** must be in arrears after deduction of the **Excess** before any claim payment will be paid.

Thereafter, Rent is only payable:

- a) For up to 6 months; or
- b) For the dates shown in the **Tenancy Agreement**, (if the tenancy has been allowed to roll onto a monthly periodic term, up to expiry of any notice to bring the monthly periodic tenancy to an end) whichever is the lesser; and
- c) Whilst the **Tenant** (including any unauthorised occupant) remains in occupation of the **Insured Property**; and
- d) Up to the Maximum Amount Payable

#### Maximum Amount Payable:

£2,500 per month up to a maximum of  $\pounds$ 5,000, or for up to 6 months, whichever is equal to the lesser amount.

#### Excess:

An amount equal to one month's Rent

#### What is not insured

- a. An **Insured Event** reported to Us more than 45 days after its occurrence
- b. Claims where any of the relevant terms and conditions have not been met by You and/or You do not have a valid claim under Section 1 – Tenant Eviction.

#### **Rent Claims Payments:**

a) **Rent** will be paid monthly in arrears at a rate of 1/30<sup>th</sup>

- for each continuous day that it is in arrears.b) One full regular payment of **Rent** must be in arrears
- after deduction of the Excess
- c) If the deposit is more than the Excess, the cover under the insurance will pay Rent arrears after deduction of the balance of the Deposit. If the balance of the Deposit is subsequently required to meet the cost of the dilapidations, this will be paid to You.
- We, on behalf of the Insurer have the right under subrogation to pursue Legal Action against the Tenant or any Guarantor to recover Rent.

## Legal Helpline

You can use the helpline service to discuss any legal problem occurring within the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, and arising during the period of this policy.

Specialist lawyers are at hand to help **You**. If **You** need a lawyer to act for **You** and **Your** problem is covered under this insurance, the advice line will ask **You** to complete a claim form. If **Your** problem is not covered under this insurance, the advice line may be able to offer **You** assistance under a private funding arrangement.

Simply telephone 0344 770 1044 and quote "Pen Underwriting Landlord's Legal Expenses".

To maintain an accurate record Your telephone call may be recorded

#### **GENERAL EXCLUSIONS**

These exclusions are applicable to the Legal Expenses and Rent Guarantee Insurance Section.

#### 1. There is no cover:-

- Where the Insured Event occurs within the first 90 days of the Period of Insurance where the Tenancy Agreement commenced before the Period of Insurance unless You had continuous previous insurance
- Where Your act, omission or delay prejudices Your or the Insurers position in connection with the Legal Action or prolongs the length of the claim
- Arising from a dispute between You and Your agent or mortgage lender
- Where the Insured Event began to occur or had occurred before You purchased this insurance
- Where You should have realised when purchasing or renewing this insurance that a claim under this insurance might occur
- Where You have breached a condition of this insurance
- Where Advisers' Costs have not been agreed in advance or are above those for which We have given Our prior written approval
- For any claim which is not submitted to Us within 45 days of the Insured Event
- For Advisers' Costs incurred in avoidable correspondence or which are recoverable from a court, tribunal or other party
- For damages, interest, fines or costs awarded in criminal courts
- Where **You** have other legal expenses insurance cover
- For claims made by or against Pen Underwriting, the Insurers, the Adviser or Us
- For appeals without the prior written consent of Us
- Prior to the issue of court proceedings or unless a conflict of interest arises, for the costs of any legal representative other than those of the Adviser
- Where an estimate of Your Advisers' Costs of acting for You is More than the amount in dispute
- Where You commit, or are alleged to have committed, a criminal offence, or You are liable to a civil penalty unless this policy expressly covers You in the event of such offence or penalty.

#### 2. There is no cover for any claim arising from:-

- Works undertaken or to be undertaken by or under the order of any government or public or local authority
- Planning law
- The construction of or structural alteration to buildings
- Defamation or malicious falsehood
- Divorce, matrimonial matters or proceedings including ancillary relief,
- parental responsibility and contact, or affiliation
   Any venture for gain or business project of **Yours** other than in relation to **Your** activities as a Landlord
- A dispute between persons insured under this policy
- An application for Judicial Review
- A novel point of law

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

A person who is not a party to this contract has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this contract but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available other than by virtue of this Act.

## CONDITIONS

#### 1. Cancellation

**You** may cancel this insurance at any time by writing to **Your** insurance adviser providing 14 days written notice. If **You** exercise this right

within 14 days of taking out this insurance, **You** will receive a refund of premium provided **You** have not already made a claim against the insurance.

We may cancel the insurance by giving fourteen days' notice in writing to You at the address shown on the schedule, or alternative address

provided by **You**. No refund of premium shall be made.

We will only invoke this right in exceptional circumstances as a result of **You** behaving inappropriately, for example:

- Where We have a reasonable suspicion of fraud
- You use threatening or abusive behaviour or language or intimidation or bullying of Our staff or suppliers
- Where it is found that You, deliberately or recklessly, disclosed false information or failed to disclose important information

## 2. Claims

a) You must report claims as soon as reasonably possible within 45

days of the **Insured Event**, by completing and submitting the claim

form with all relevant information.

- b) If Rent is overdue the Tenant and any Guarantor must be contacted within seven days to establish the reason for the default. If the Rent is not paid within a further seven days the Tenant and any Guarantor must be contacted again. If the Tenant/Guarantor cannot be contacted, and it is lawful to do so, You or Your agent must serve notice of a requirement to undertake an inspection in accordance with Your rights within the Tenancy Agreement and visit the Insured Property. You should seek legal advice if You are unsure that such an inspection is lawful.
- c) You and Your agent must act promptly to gain vacant possession of the Insured Property and recover Rent arrears.
- In the event of a claim You or Your agent must prepare a detailed schedule of dilapidations as soon as reasonably possible after the Tenant has vacated the Insured Property.
- e) You and/or Your agent must attend any court hearing in relation to an Insured Event if requested to do so by Us or the Adviser. Failure to attend will result in all cover under this insurance being withdrawn with immediate effect and no further claim payments being made.
- f) We may investigate the claim and take over and conduct the Legal Action in Your name. Subject to Your consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld We may reach a settlement of the Legal Action.

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- g) We, on behalf of Insurers have the right under subrogation to pursue Legal Action against the Tenant or any Guarantor to recover Rent and Legal Costs and Expenses.
- h) You must supply at Your own expense all of the information which We reasonably require to decide whether a claim may be accepted. If court proceedings are required and You wish to nominate an alternative Adviser to act for You, You may do so. The Adviser must represent You in accordance with Our standard conditions of appointment available on request.
- i) The Adviser will:
  - i) Provide a detailed view of **Your** prospects of success including the prospects of enforcing any judgment obtained.
  - ii) Keep **Us** fully advised of all developments and provide such information as **We** may require.
  - iii) Keep Us regularly advised of Legal Costs and Expenses incurred.
  - iv) Advise Us of any offers to settle and payments in to court. If contrary to Our advice such offers or payments are not accepted there shall be no further cover for Legal Costs and Expenses unless We agree in Our absolute discretion to allow the case to proceed.
  - v) Submit bills for assessment or certification by the appropriate body if requested by **Us.**
  - vi) Attempt recovery of costs from third parties.
- j) In the event of a dispute arising as to Legal Costs and Expenses, We may require You to change Adviser.
- k) Insurers shall only be liable for costs for work expressly authorised by Us in writing and undertaken while there are prospects of success.
- I) You shall supply all information requested by the Adviser and Us.
- m) You are liable for any Advisers' Costs if You withdraw from the Legal Action without Our prior consent. Any costs already paid by Us will be reimbursed by You.
- Any monies recovered from the Tenant or Guarantor will be retained by Us to pay for any Advisers' Costs or Rent that has been paid by Insurers under this insurance.

#### 3. Disputes

If a complaint cannot be dealt with by the Financial Ombudsman Service (see 'How to Make a Claim'), any dispute between **You** and **Us** may, where we both agree, be referred to an arbitrator who will be either a solicitor or a barrister. If the parties cannot agree on their choice of arbitrator the Law Society may be asked to make a nomination. The arbitration will be binding and carried out under the Arbitration Act. The costs of the arbitration will be at the discretion of the arbitrator.

#### 4. Disclosure Breach

If **You** fail to disclose relevant information or **You** disclose false information in relation to this policy, **We**, or the broker, may:

- a) Cancel the contract and keep the premiums if the **Disclosure Breach** is deliberate or reckless
- b) Cancel the contract but return the premiums proportionately if this contract would not have been entered into had the **Disclosure** Breach been known
- Amend the terms of the contract accordingly if the contract would have been entered into on different terms had the **Disclosure Breach** been known
- d) Proportionately reduce the amount You are entitled to in the event of a successful claim if a higher premium would have been charged had the Disclosure Breach been known

## 5. Fraud

- In the event of fraud, We:
- a) Will not be liable to pay the fraudulent claim
- b) May recover any sums paid to **You** in respect of the fraudulent claim
- c) May cancel this policy with effect from the fraudulent act and keep all premiums paid to **Us**
- d) Will no longer be liable to **You** in any regard after the fraudulent act.

## 6. Prospects of Success

At any time **We** may, but only when supported by independent legal advice, form the view that **You** do not have a more than 50% chance of winning the case and achieving a positive outcome. If so, **We** may decline support or any further support. Examples of a positive outcome are:

- a) Being able to recover the amount of money at stake
- b) Being able to enforce a judgement
- c) Being able to achieve an outcome which best serves **Your** Interests

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#### 7. English Law

This contract is governed by English Law.

#### 8. Language

The language for contractual terms and communication will be English.

#### 9. Change in Law

Cover under this policy is based on laws and regulations in force at the time that it was written. If **We** believe that any subsequent change in law or regulations results in the scope of cover being either restricted or broadened, **We** reserve the right to accept claims where the change restricts the cover under this policy and reject claims where the change provides a benefit which did not previously exist.

## CUSTOMER SERVICES INFORMATION

## How to Make a Claim

Claims must be notified to the Claims Line 45 days of the **Insured Event.** 

Failure to notify the claim within this time will invalidate the insurance cover.

This insurance only covers legal fees incurred by **Our** panel solicitor or their agents appointed by **Us** until court proceedings are issued.

If court proceedings are issued or a conflict of interest arises, **You** may nominate another solicitor to act for **You.** 

**You** can use the helpline service to discuss any legal problem occurring within the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, and arising during the period of this policy.

In general terms, **You** are required to immediately notify **Us** of any potential claim or circumstances which may give rise to a claim. If **You** are in doubt whether a matter constitutes a notifiable claim or circumstance, **You** should contact the legal advice line for assistance.

#### **Claims Line**

#### You should telephone 0344 770 1044 and quote "Pen Underwriting Landlords Legal Expenses."

A claim form will be sent out by e-mail, fax or post within 24hours. The claim form is required to be completed and returned along with supporting documentation within five days of it being received. To maintain an accurate record, **Your** telephone call may be recorded.

Claim forms can also be obtained from:-

#### http://www.arclegal.co.uk/informationcentre/index.php

#### What happens next:

The claim will be assessed and if accepted and deemed appropriate, an Enquiry Agent will visit the **Tenant** and any **Guarantor**. If the Enquiry Agent is unable to reach an agreement with the **Tenant/Guarantor** to remedy his failure to perform his obligations under the **Tenancy Agreement**, **Our** panel solicitors or their agents will be appointed to act for **You.** 

Any **Rent** arrears covered under the insurance will generally be paid within 21 days from the end of the rental month they became due. **You** may be required to complete a continuation claim form before each **Rent** claim payment is made.

You or Your agent must give all information requested by Us or the Adviser within five days of receiving the request for that information.

You or Your agent must attend any court hearing if requested by the Adviser.

This claims procedure should be read in conjunction with the main terms and conditions of the insurance.

#### **Data Protection:**

The details of **Your** insurance cover, claims and **You** will be held by **Us** and or the **Insurers** for underwriting, processing, claims handling and fraud prevention subject to the provisions of **Data Protection Legislation**.

#### **Customer Service**

We aim to get it right, first time, every time. If We make a mistake, We will try to put it right promptly. If You are unhappy with the service that has been provided, You should contact Us at the address below. We will always confirm to You, within five working days, that We have received Your complaint. Within four weeks You will receive either a final response or an explanation of why the complaint is not yet resolved plus an indication of when a final response will be provided. Within eight weeks You will receive a final response or, if this is not possible, a reason for the delay plus an indication of when a final response or, a final response will be provided. After eight weeks, if You are not satisfied with the delay and Your business turnover is below £1,000,000, You may refer Your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. You can also refer to the Financial Ombudsman Service if You cannot settle Your complaint with Us or before We have investigated the complaint if both parties agree.

Our contact details are: Arc Legal Assistance Ltd PO Box 8921 Colchester CO4 5YD Tel 01206 615000 Email <u>customerservice@arclegal.co.uk</u>

The Financial Ombudsman Service contact details are: Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower London E14 9SR Tel 08000 234 567 Email complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

#### Compensation

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). If We fail to carry out Our responsibilities under this policy, You may be entitled to compensation from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Information about the scheme is available at www.fscs.org.uk or by phone on 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100

#### Authorisation

Arc Legal Assistance Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Arc Legal's Firm Reference Number is 305958. This can be checked on the Financial Services Register by visiting the website <u>www.fca.org.uk/register</u> or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on 0800 111 6768.

This policy is underwritten by AmTrust Europe Limited, Registered Office: 10th Floor Market Square House, St James's Street, Nottingham, NG1 6FG, Registered Number: 1229676. AmTrust Europe Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority, financial services number: 202189. These details can be checked on the Financial Services Register at <u>www.fca.org.uk</u>.

## **POLICY EXCLUSIONS**

Each Section of the Policy contains Exclusions. They must be read in conjunction with the following Policy Exclusions which apply to all Sections, other than Legal Expenses Insurance Section, unless otherwise stated.

#### We will not provide indemnity in respect of

- any consequence whatsoever resulting directly or indirectly from or in connection with any of the following, regardless of any other contributory cause or event
  - (a) war, invasion, act of a foreign enemy, hostilities or a warlike operation or operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power
  - (b) nationalisation, confiscation, requisition, seizure or destruction by any government or any public authority
  - (c) any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to (1) (a) and, or (1) (b) above.

#### However,

- exception (1) (b) does not apply to the Property Owners Liability Section when insured by this Policy
- (2) Exception (1) (a), (b) and (c) do not apply to the following Sections, when insured by this Policy

   (a) Terrorism
  - (b) Employers' Liability
- (2) death or disablement, loss or destruction of or damage to any property, any loss or expense whatsoever, any

Consequential Loss or any legal liability

- (a) directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from
  - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from nuclear fuel or from nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
  - the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any nuclear installation, reactor or other nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.
- (b) directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from the use of or threatened use of any weapon
  - (i) dispersing radioactive material and, or ionising radiation
    - or
  - (ii) using atomic or nuclear fission and, or fusion or other like reaction.

#### However,

- exception (2) (b) above does not apply to the following Sections, when insured by this Policy
  - (a) Employers' Liability
  - (b) Property Owners Liability
- (2) in relation to the Employer's Liability Section, exception (2) (a) above only applies when You under a contract or agreement have undertaken to

   (a) indemnify another party
  - (b) assume the liability of another party.
- (3) Exclusions (2) (a) and (b) do not apply to the Terrorism Section, when insured by this Policy.

## (3) (a) Money

- (b) securities or bonds
- (c) jewellery or precious stones
- (d) precious metals or bullion
- (e) furs or curios
- (f) rare books or works of art
- (g) goods held in trust or on commission
- (h) documents or manuscripts
- (i) business books or computer systems records
- (j) explosives
- (k) property in transit unless specifically mentioned.

However, Exclusions (3) (a) to (k) do not apply to the following Sections, when insured by this Policy

- (1) Terrorism
- (2) Employers' Liability
- (3) Property Owner's Liability
- (4) any claim which arises directly or indirectly from or consists of the failure or inability of any
  - (a) electronic circuit, microchip, integrated circuit, microprocessor, embedded system, hardware, software, firmware, program, computer, data processing equipment, telecommunication equipment or systems, or any similar device
  - (b) media or systems used in connection with anything referred to in (4) (a) above whether Your property or not, at any time to achieve any or all of the purposes and consequential effects intended by the use of any number, symbol or word to denote a date and this includes without any limitation the failure or inability to recognise, capture, save, retain or restore and, or correctly to manipulate, interpret, transmit, return, calculate or process any date, data, information, command, logic or instruction as a result of
    - recognising, using or adopting any date, day of the week or period of time, otherwise than as, or other than, the true or correct date, day of the week or period of time
    - (ii) the operation of any command or logic which has been programmed or incorporated into anything referred to in (4) (a) and (4) (b) above.

#### However,

- We will not exclude any claim for subsequent loss or destruction of or damage to any property or Consequential Loss which itself results from a Defined Contingency arising under any of the following Sections, but only to the extent that such claim would otherwise be insured under that Section

   (a) Property Damage All Risks
  - (b) Loss of Rent
- (2) Exclusions (4) (a) and (b) do not apply to the following Sections, when insured by this Policy
  - (a) Terrorism
  - (b) Employers' Liability

## Definition

The following definition only applies to this exclusion

#### **Defined Contingency**

fire, lightning, explosion, aircraft and other aerial devices or articles dropped from them, riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances, malicious persons other than thieves, earthquake, storm, flood, escape of water from any tank apparatus or pipe, impact by any road vehicle or animal, or theft.

 (5) any claim (other than in respect of **Personal Injury** as defined under the Property Owner's Liability Section) arising directly or indirectly from, or in connection with, or consisting of

 (a) Loss of Data

> However, **We** will not exclude any claim arising directly or indirectly from, or in connection with, or consisting of **Loss of Data**, which claim is not otherwise excluded and which results from a **Malicious Contingency** involving physical force and violence or a Specified Contingency where either is insured under any of the following Sections of the Policy and only to the same extent that such claim is insured under that Section (i) Property Damage All Risks

(ii) Loss of Rent

Exclusion (5) (a) above does not apply to the Property Owners Liability Section, when insured by this Policy.

(b) any loss, destruction or damage, Failure of Loss of Data resulting directly or indirectly from, or in connection with: Virus or Similar Mechanism, Denial of Service Attack, unauthorised access to or use of Computer and Electronic Equipment.

However, **We** will not exclude any claim in respect of any subsequent physical loss or destruction of or damage to property other than **Computer and Electronic Equipment** and **Data Storage Materials**, which is not otherwise excluded and which results from a **Malicious Contingency** involving physical force and violence or a **Specified Contingency** where either is insured under any of the following Sections of the Policy and only to the same extent that such subsequent physical loss or destruction of or damage to property is insured under that Section

- (i) Property Damage All Risks
- (ii) Loss of Rent

Exclusion (5) (a) and (5) (b) above do not apply to the following Sections, when insured by this Policy  $% \left( \left( 1-\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) =0$ 

- (1) Terrorism
- (2) Employers' Liability
- (6) any liability, death, injury loss, destruction or damage or any cost or expense of whatsoever nature or wheresoever arising resulting directly or indirectly from or in connection with any of the following regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss

   (a) Terrorism
  - (b) civil commotion in Northern Ireland
  - (c) any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to (6) (a) and, or (6) (b) above.

Except as stated in **Special Provisions – Terrorism** below.

For the purposes of the Property Damage and Loss of Rent Sections, Terrorism is defined as any act or acts including, but not limited to

- (i) in respect of damage occurring in England Wales and Scotland only (but not the territorial seas adjacent thereto as defined by the Territorial Seas Act 1987 nor the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands) 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 Her Majesty's government in the United Kingdom or any other government de jure or de facto
- (ii) in respect of damage occurring in any territory not specified in (i) above any act or acts including but not limited to
  - the use or threat of force and, or violence and, or harm
  - or damage to life or to property (or the threat of such harm or damage) including but not limited to harm or damage by nuclear and, or chemical and, or biological and, or radiological means

caused or occasioned by any person(s)or group(s) of persons or so claimed in whole or in part for political religious ideological or similar purposes.

In any action suit or other proceedings where **We** allege that any damage results from **Terrorism** as defined above and is therefore not covered by this Section, the burden of proving that any such damage is covered under this Section will be upon **You.** 

For the purposes of the Employers Liability and Property Owners Liability Section, Terrorism is defined as any act or acts including but not limited to

- (i) the use or threat of force and, or violence and, or
- (ii) harm or damage to life or to Property (or the threat of such harm or damage) including but not limited to harm or damage by nuclear and, or chemical and, or biological and, or radiological means

caused or occasioned by any person(s) or group(s) or of persons or so claimed in whole or in part for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes.

#### **Special Provisions - Terrorism**

Subject otherwise to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this Policy the exclusions in 6 (a) and 6 (c) (in so far as it relates to 6(a)) above shall not apply to the following Sections

- (a) Property Damage and, or Loss of Rent in respect of houses and flats insured in the name of an individual who does not own such property in **The Business** of a sole trader but provided that the exclusions in 6 (a) and 6 (c) shall apply to such property in respect of harm or damage to life or to property (or the threat of such harm or damage) by nuclear and, or chemical and, or biological and, or radiological means
- (b) Employers' Liability but the Limit of Indemnity for the purposes of this Special Provision – Terrorism is limited to £5,000,000 including Costs and Expenses
- (c) Property Owners Liability but the Limit of Indemnity for the purposes of this Special Provision – Terrorism is limited to £2,000,000 or any other amount specified in The Schedule for Property Owners Liability whichever is the lower
- (d) Terrorism, when insured by this Policy.

## **POLICY CONDITIONS**

Each Section of the Policy contains Conditions. They must be read in conjunction with the following Policy Conditions which apply to all Sections, other than Legal Expenses Insurance Section, unless otherwise stated.

Where: (i) there has been a failure to comply with a term (express or implied) of this Policy, other than a term which defines the risk as a whole; and (ii) compliance with such term would tend to reduce the risk of loss of a particular kind and/or loss at a particular location and/or loss at a particular time, **We** cannot rely on the breach of such term to exclude, limit or discharge its liability if **You** show that the failure to comply with such term could not have increased the risk of the loss which actually occurred in the circumstances in which it occurred.

If **You** breach any warranty in this Policy, **Our** liability under the Policy shall be suspended from the time of the breach until the time when the breach is remedied (if it is capable of being remedied). **We** will have no liability to **You** for any loss which occurs, or which is attributable to something happening, during the period when **Our** liability is suspended

## (1) Alteration of risk

- If (a) there has been any alteration to the **Property Insured** and, or **The Premises** and, or **The Business** after the effective date of this insurance which increases the risk of loss, liability, destruction, damage, accident or injury or
  - (b) Your interest ceases except by will or operation of law

We will at Our option avoid the Policy from the date of such alteration or when Your interest ceases.

## (2) Arbitration

If **We** accept liability but **You** disagree with the amount **We** offer to pay, the claim will be referred to an arbitrator who will be appointed in accordance with statutory provisions.

## (3) Cancellation

Following the expiry of **Your** Statutory 14 day right to cancel (also known as the "cooling-off period"), **You** continue to have the right to cancel **Your** policy at any time during its term.

If **You** do cancel **Your** Policy after the "cooling-off period", **You** will be entitled to a refund of the premium **You** paid subject to a deduction for the time for which You have been covered. This will be calculated in proportion to the period for which **You** have been on cover.

If **You** wish to cancel **Your** Policy at any time, please contact **Your** insurance adviser.

We may cancel the Policy

 (a) by sending You 30 days written notice to Your last known address

We will refund a proportionate part of the premium paid for the unexpired period, provided that no claims have been paid or are outstanding during the **Period of Insurance**.

(b) immediately if the premium has not been paid or if there has been a default under an instalment or linked credit agreement.

We will not refund any instalment paid and at **Our** discretion may request full payment of the annual premium if any claims have been paid or are outstanding during the **Period of Insurance**. Other reasons for cancellation under this Condition may include but are not limited to:

- (a) a change to the risk which makes it one We would not normally accept
- (b) You failing to co-operate with or provide information to Us which affects Our ability to underwrite the risk.

## (4) Contribution

Applicable to the Employers' Liability Section and Property Owners Liability Section

(a) If the insurance provided by these Sections is also covered by another Policy (or would be but for the existence of these Sections), We will only indemnify You in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would be payable under such other insurance had these Sections not been effected.

## Applicable to all other Sections insured by this Policy other than Legal Expenses Insurance Section

- (b) Where any loss, destruction, damage or liability covered by the Policy is also covered by another Policy, (or would be but for the existence of this Policy), We will only pay a rateable share of the loss.
- (c) If the other insurance is subject to a condition of Average and this Policy is not, this Policy will become subject to the same condition of Average.
- (d) If the **Property Insured** covered by the other insurance is subject to a provision excluding proportional payment in whole or in part, the payment **We** make will be limited to the proportion of loss, destruction or damage as the **Sum Insured** bears to the value of the property.

## (5) Discharge of Liability

We may at any time pay

- (a) the Limit of Indemnity
- or
- (b) the Sum Insured
- or
- (c) a smaller amount for which a claim can be settled, after deduction of any sum already paid.

We will not be liable for any further payment except for costs and expenses incurred prior to the payment of the claim with **Our** consent.

## (6) Fraud

If **You** make a fraudulent claim under this Policy **We** shall not be liable to pay **You** any sums in respect of the fraudulent claim.

We may recover from You any sums that the We have already paid to You in respect of the fraudulent claim.

We may by notice to You treat this Policy as terminated with effect from the date of Your fraudulent act.

## (7) Identification

The Policy and The Schedule will be read as one contract.

A particular word or phrase which is not defined will have its ordinary meaning.

## (8) Reasonable Precautions

You shall take all reasonable care:

- (a) for the safety of the Property Insured
- (b) to prevent accidents or disease
- (c) to comply with all statutory obligations and regulations imposed by any authority
- (d) to prevent the sale or supply of goods which are defective in any way.

## (9) Reinstatement

When **We** decide, or are required to reinstate or replace any property **You** will, at **Your** expense, provide any

- (a) plans
- (b) documents
- (c) books
- (d) information

#### which We require.

**We** will not be obliged to reinstate property exactly but only in a satisfactory manner as circumstances allow.

The maximum amount **We** will pay in respect of any one item is the **Limit of Indemnity** or the **Sum Insured** for that item.

## (10)Subrogation

Anyone making a claim under this Policy must, at  $\mathbf{Our}$  request and expense, do everything  $\mathbf{We}$  reasonably require to

- (a) enforce a right or remedy
  - or
- (b) obtain relief or indemnity

from other parties to which **We** will become entitled or subrogated because of payment for or making good loss, destruction, damage, accident or injury.

We may require You to carry out such actions before or after We make any admission of or payment of a claim.

## (11)Index Linking

(a) Renewal.

Where it states in **The Schedule** that index linking applies, the amounts insured will be adjusted for movements in the following indices. **We** may select alternative measures if any of these indices are unavailable

(i) any building and tenants improvements item

The General Building Cost index issued by the Building Cost Information Service of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

(ii) other items

The Producer Price Index for Home Sales of Manufactured Products issued by the relevant government department.

- (b) Claims.
  - These adjustments will continue during the
  - (i) Period of Insurance
  - (ii) period of repair, replacement or reinstatement

provided that such work is carried out and completed without undue delay.

## (12)Subjectivity

The Policy, Statement of Facts and, or declaration made by **You**, and **The Schedule**, should be read together and form the contract of insurance between **You** and **Us**.

- (a) We will clearly state in The Schedule if the Cover provided by the Policy is subject to You
  - providing Us with any additional information requested by the required date(s),
  - (ii) completing any actions agreed between You and Us by the required date(s),
  - (iii) allowing **Us** to complete any actions agreed between **You** and **Us**.
- (b) If required by Us, You must allow Us access to The Premises, Your Contract Sites, and, or The Business, to carry out survey(s), within 60 days of the inception or renewal date, unless We agree otherwise in writing.

Upon completion of these requirements (or if they are not completed by the required dates), **We** may, at **Our** option: (i) modify **Your** premium

- (ii) issue a mid-term amendment to **Your** Policy or Section terms and conditions,
- (iii) require **You** to make alterations to **The Premises** insured by the required date(s),
- (iv) exercise Our right to cancel Your Policy,
- (v) leave the Policy or Section terms and conditions, and Your premium, unaltered.

We will contact You with Our decision and where applicable, specify the date(s) by which any action(s) agreed need to be completed by You and, or any decision by Us will take effect. Our requirements and decisions will take effect from the date(s) specified unless and until We agree otherwise in writing. If You disagree with Our requirements and, or decisions, We will consider Your comments and where We consider appropriate, will continue to negotiate with You to resolve the matter to Your and Our satisfaction. In the event that the matter cannot be resolved:

- You have the right to cancel this Policy from a date agreed by You and Us and, providing no claims have been made, We will refund a proportionate part of the premium paid for the unexpired period of cover.
- (ii) **We** may, at **Our** option, exercise **Our** right under Policy Condition (3) Cancellation.

Except where stated all other Policy and Section terms and Conditions will continue to apply.

The above Conditions do not affect **Our** right to void the Policy if **We** discover information material to **Our** acceptance of the risk. Please refer to the **IMPORTANT** note within Policy Introduction page of **Your** Policy Wording.

## (13) Jurisdiction

All disputes arising out of or in connection with this Policy, including but not limited to any disputes relating to the formation, validity and interpretation and application of the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions of this Policy, shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of England and Wales (unless you live in Jersey in which case the law of Jersey will apply and the Jersey courts will have exclusive jurisdiction).

## (14) Language

The contractual terms, conditions, exclusions and other information relating to this Policy will be in the English language.

## **COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE**

(not applicable to Legal Expenses Insurance Section)

## Our promise of service

It is always the intention to provide a first class standard of service. However it is appreciated that occasionally things go wrong.

If **Your** complaint is about the way **Your** Policy was sold to **You**, please contact **Your** broker to report **Your** complaint.

If **You** have a complaint regarding **Your** claim, please telephone **Us** on the number shown in **Your** claims documentation.

Alternatively for any other type of complaint **You** can contact the Pen Underwriting Limited Complaints Officer quoting **Your** policy or claim number.

Pen Underwriting Limited Complaints Officer 3 Atlantic Quay 20 York Street Glasgow G2 8AE Telephone: 0141 285 3539

Email: pencomplaints@penunderwriting.com

We will try to resolve Your complaint by the end of the next working day. If We are unable to do this, We will write to You within three working days to either:

- tell You what We have done to resolve the problem; or
- acknowledge Your complaint and let You know when You can expect a full response

We will also let You know who is dealing with the matter. We will always aim to resolve Your complaint within four weeks of receipt. If We are unable to do this We will give You the reasons for the delay and indicate when We will be able to provide a final response. If We cannot resolve the differences between us, eight weeks from you first raising the complaint. Upon receipt of the letter if **You** remain dissatisfied **You** may refer **Your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service if:

- **You** have an annual turnover of less than EUR 2million and fewer than 10 employees and,
- if for any reason You are still dissatisfied with Our final response, or
- if **We** have not issued **Our** final response within eight weeks from **You** first raising the complaint.

The Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower London E14 9SR

www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Following the complaints procedure does not affect **Your** right to take legal action.

## **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

In the event that **We** are unable to meet **Our** liabilities **You** may be entitled to compensation from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. This depends on the type of insurance, the size of **Your** business and the circumstances of the claim.

Further information is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Their telephone number is **0800 678 1100** or **020 7741 4100**. Alternatively, more information can be found at <u>www.fscs.org.uk</u>.

## GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION PRIVACY NOTICE

Pen Underwriting Limited are the data controller of any personal information **You** provide to **Us** or personal information that has been provided to **Us** by a third party. **We** collect and process information about **You** in order to arrange insurance policies and to process claims. **Your** information is also used for business purposes such as fraud prevention and detection and financial management. This may involve sharing **Your** information with third parties such as insurers, brokers, reinsurers, claims handlers, loss adjusters, credit reference agencies, service providers, professional advisors, our regulators, police and government agencies or fraud prevention agencies.

We may record telephone calls to help Us monitor and improve the service We provide. For further information on how Your information is used and Your rights in relation to Your information please see our Privacy Policy - <u>https://www.penunderwriting.co.uk/Privacy-and-Cookies</u>. If You are providing personal data of another individual to Us, You must tell them You are providing their information to Us and show them a copy of this notice.

