

Allianz Insurance plc

Complete Office

Policy Wording



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Thank you for choosing Allianz Insurance plc. We are one of the largest general insurers in the UK and part of the Allianz Group, one of the world's foremost financial services providers.

With Allianz Insurance plc, you can be confident that you're insured by a company which is relentless in its commitment to protecting and serving you. You can trust us to insure your business, as we've been providing leading insurance solutions in the UK for over 100 years.

We work in partnership with your insurance adviser to ensure you receive the highest levels of product and service excellence. Our technical experts understand how best to protect you against the risks your business faces.

If you need to make a claim you will be in safe hands. Our professionally trained staff aim to treat you, as you would expect, both promptly and fairly. By listening to you, and understanding your needs we will provide you with the most appropriate solutions to get your business trading again as quickly as possible.

Should you need further details or have any questions your insurance adviser will be delighted to help.

Important

This document provides details of your policy and the terms and conditions that apply.

Please read it carefully and keep it in a safe place.



Introduction

Your Complete Office Policy is made up of several parts which must be read together as they form your contract of insurance with the Insurer. Please take time to read all parts of the Policy to make sure they meet and continue to meet your needs and that you understand the terms, exclusions and conditions. If you wish to change anything or if there is anything you do not understand, please let your insurance adviser know.

The parts of the Policy are:

- the Statement of Fact
- the Schedule, which confirms the Sections of cover that are insured and includes any additional clauses applied to the Policy
- this Policy Wording which contains:
 - this Introduction; the Insuring Clause; the Policy Definitions, the Policy Exclusions and the Policy Conditions, all of which apply to all Sections of the Policy
 - the Sections of cover provided, including the Section Definitions, Extensions, Conditions and Exclusions.

Any Section stated to be 'Not Insured' in the Schedule shall be inoperative.

Any word or expression in the Policy which has a specific meaning has the same meaning wherever it appears in the Policy, unless stated otherwise.

Changes to your circumstances

Please tell your insurance adviser as soon as reasonably possible if there are any changes to your circumstances which could affect your insurance.

Please refer to Policy Condition 5 (Change of Risk) on page 9 of this Policy.

If your circumstances change and you do not tell your insurance adviser, you may find that you are not covered if you need to claim.

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

Allianz Insurance plc contributes to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

The Insured may be entitled to compensation from the FSCS if the Insurer is unable to meet their liabilities. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available at www.fscs.org.uk, by emailing enquiries@fscs.org.uk or by phoning the FSCS on 0800 678 1100 or 0207 741 4100.

How to Make a Claim

If you need to claim, your dedicated claims handler will help and guide you through the process.

You can notify us of a claim by:

Telephone: Property Claims **0344 412 9988**
Liability Claims **0344 893 9500**

Post: Claims Division
Allianz Insurance plc
500 Avebury Boulevard
Milton Keynes
MK9 2XX

If you have a Commercial Legal Expenses claim you can notify Allianz Legal Protection by contacting the Lawphone Legal Advice Helpline on **0344 873 0845** quoting the Master Policy reference shown in the schedule.

Post: The Claims Department
Allianz Legal Protection
2530 The Quadrant
Aztec West
Almondsbury
Bristol
BS32 4AW

Our claims helpline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Please try to notify Allianz of a claim promptly after the incident, or immediately in the event of a serious accident, loss or damage.

Claims Details

Please have the following information available, where possible, when making a claim:

Property Claims

- Your contact information, including address and telephone numbers
- Policy type and policy number
- Date the loss occurred
- Location and description of the loss

Injury Claims

- Your contact information, including address and telephone numbers
- Policy type and policy number
- Date the loss occurred
- Name and address of injured party
- Description of the injury, where and how it occurred

Commercial Legal Expenses Claims

- Your contact information, including address and telephone numbers
- Master Policy reference shown in the schedule
- Brief summary of the problem

What to expect when making a claim

Allianz aims to deal with your claim promptly and fairly. We will update you on the progress of your claim by email, mail or by phone – whichever you prefer.

Depending on the type of claim and value involved, we may:

- forward a claim form for you to complete and sign
- ask you for additional information
- appoint an independent loss adjuster to deal with your claim (loss adjusters are claims specialists who investigate large or complex claims, usually at the scene of an incident, to establish the cause of the loss and assist the insurer in dealing with your claim)
- arrange for a member of our claims team to visit you

Commercial Legal Expenses

In addition to the above, the following will apply to enable Allianz Legal Protection to deal with a claim under the Commercial Legal Expenses section:

- we will forward you a claim form for you to complete and sign
- we will require a copy of your schedule
- once we have received your claim form and determined whether your claim falls within the cover provided we will contact you to request the payment of any excess due. We will also contact you to request payment of the excess if we agree to your request to appoint an alternative legal representative. Please note we will not appoint a legal representative until the excess payment due in respect of a claim has been paid

- legal expenses are only covered from the time we have accepted the claim and appointed the legal representative in your name and on your behalf. You must not appoint a legal representative. If you have already seen a solicitor before we have accepted your claim, we will not pay for any fees or other expenses that you have incurred
- other than where we incur legal expenses in order to validate a claim, if we decline a claim following receipt of the claim form, schedule and excess payment, we will refund the excess payment
- where we necessarily incur unrecoverable legal expenses during the claim validation process, or you are unable to recover legal expenses at the end of the claim, if the unrecovered legal expenses incurred are less than the excess payment received, we will refund you the difference between the two figures.

Helpful advice when making a claim

Your insurance policy comes with a number of great features to help keep your business up and running. These additional features do not come with standard policies and have been designed especially for small businesses in mind.

Keeping your business up and running

- in the event of an emergency, we will send out a repairer to make your premises secure within 24 hours – even during the night
- you should carry out any emergency action to protect your property from further damage (e.g. turning off main services) or to make it waterproof or secure. If emergency work has been completed on your own authority please contact us before permanent repairs begin
- we will be pleased to provide advice and assistance to find the right person or organisation to help you. We have a nationwide network of quality trade people on call to get you up and running. For large incidents, we will usually assign a loss adjuster who will manage your repairs and has the authority to authorise repairs up to £50,000
- please do not dispose of damaged items before we have had the opportunity to inspect them
- you should report to the Police any loss or damage from theft, arson, malicious damage, or riot or civil commotion and obtain a crime reference number from them
- if you do incur any charges, please retain the bills as these may form part of your claim

You should comply with the requirements for claim notification contained in the policy conditions, which detail your obligations and our rights in the event of a claim. If you are in any doubt please contact us.

Employees

Allianz understand how important your employees are to your business. This is why, in the unfortunate event of serious injury to your employees, we provide a medically trained rehabilitation team to work with your employees, getting them back to health and back to work as quickly as possible.

If an employee or someone else is holding you responsible for injury to them or for damage to their property then you should tell us promptly and send any letters, writs or summons to us unanswered.

Please ensure that your responsibility for injury to someone or damage to their property is not discussed with or admitted to anyone else.

Following a claim

After a claim, it may be helpful for you to review your insurance risks and how well your business is managing them. Risk Director allows you to identify and manage the risks that are most pertinent to your business. The range of tools and templates available online make risk management quick and easy. Risk Director can be accessed at www.riskdirector.co.uk

Complaints Procedure

Our aim is to get it right, first time every time. If you have a complaint we will try to resolve it straight away but if we are unable to we will confirm we have received your complaint within five working days and do our best to resolve the problem within four weeks. If we cannot we will let you know when an answer may be expected.

If we have not resolved the situation within eight weeks we will issue you with information about the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) which offers a free, independent complaint resolution service.

If you have a complaint, please contact our Customer Satisfaction Manager at:

Customer Satisfaction Manager
Allianz Insurance plc
57 Ladymead
Guildford
Surrey
GU1 1DB

Telephone number: **01483 552438**

Fax Number: **01483 790538**

Email: accdsm@allianz.co.uk

You have the right to refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman, free of charge – but you must do so within six months of the date of the final response letter.

If you do not refer your complaint in time, the Ombudsman will not have our permission to consider your complaint and so will only be able to do so in very limited circumstances. For example, if the Ombudsman believes that the delay was as a result of exceptional circumstances.

The Financial Ombudsman Service
Exchange Tower
London
E14 9SR

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Telephone: 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9123

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

Using our complaints procedure or contacting the FOS does not affect your legal rights.

The European Commission has an online dispute resolution service for consumers who have a complaint about a product or service bought online. If you choose to submit your complaint this way it will be forwarded to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

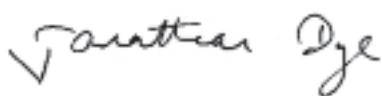
Visit <https://ec.europa.eu/odr> to access the Online Dispute Resolution Service. Please quote our e-mail address: accdsm@allianz.co.uk

Alternatively, you can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service directly.

Insuring Clause

In consideration of payment of the premium the Insurer will indemnify or otherwise compensate the Insured against loss, destruction, damage, injury, liability or dispute (as described in and subject to the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions of this Policy or any Section of it) occurring or arising in connection with the Business during the Period of Insurance or any subsequent period for which the Insurer agrees to accept a renewal premium.

For Allianz Insurance plc

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan Dye". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Jonathan Dye
Chief Executive

Policy Definitions

The following definitions apply to this Policy (unless amended by Section Definitions) and are denoted by a capital first letter throughout this Policy.

Building/Buildings

The buildings at the Premises including:

- landlord's fixtures and fittings (including communal television and radio receiving aerials, satellite dishes and related fittings on or in residential Premises), fixed glass, fixed sanitaryware and walls, gates and fences in, on or pertaining to the buildings
- telephone, gas, water and electric instruments, meters, piping, cabling and the like and their accessories in, on or pertaining to the buildings including such property in adjoining yards or roadways or underground at the Premises and extending to the public mains
- fuel tanks and their piping, ducting, cables, wires and associated control gears and accessories extending to the public mains
- small outside buildings, annexes, gangways, conveniences and other small structures at the Premises
- roads, car parks, yards, paved areas, hard-surfaced areas, pavements and footpaths at the Premises.

Business

The business description stated in the Schedule.

Damage/Damaged

Loss or destruction of or damage.

Insured

The insured named and shown in the Schedule.

Insurer

Allianz Insurance plc.

Period of Insurance

The period from the Effective Date to the Renewal Date as shown in the Schedule.

Policy

The document described in the Introduction.

Premises

Address as stated in the Schedule.

Property/Property Insured

Buildings, contents, stock and other items shown and/or described in the Schedule.

Schedule

The part of this Policy that details information forming part of this contract and that shows the Sections of this Policy selected.

Section/Sections

The parts of this Policy that detail the insurance cover provided for each individual section of this Policy.

Sum Insured

The maximum amount the Insurer will pay for each item insured under any Section.

Total Sum Insured

The total amount payable by the Insurer under any Section.

Unoccupied

Any Building or part of any Building which is empty or not in use by the Insured or any tenant of the Insured for more than 30 consecutive days.

Policy Conditions

Applicable unless stated to the contrary under the Conditions in the Sections.

1 Premium

The premium is to be paid on request.

2 Precautions

The Insured shall keep the Property Insured secure and in a good state of repair, take all reasonable precautions to prevent accidents, injury and Damage, and take all reasonable steps to observe and comply with all statutory or Local Authority laws, obligations and requirements.

3 Minimum Level of Security

This insurance has been granted subject to Security Level 1 or Security Level 2 as detailed in the Schedule.

It is a condition precedent to liability that these requirements are met within 30 days of the inception of the Policy. Any alternative methods of securing the Premises must be agreed in writing by the Insurer.

The Insured must ensure that these measures are in place, in operation and in full working order whenever the Premises are closed for business or left unattended.

Security Level 1

The cover provided is subject to the following minimum standards of security:

Doors

Depending on which of the following door types are present, the following requirements apply to all external doors or internal doors which lead to another part of the Building which the Insured do not occupy;

- a UPVC or, Aluminium or plastic framed glazed doors** – a multi-point lock which, where installed after 30/06/2011, conforms to PAS3621 (including amendments) or a cylinder operated mortise deadlock. For double doors, the first closing section must have integral or surface mounted bolts which shoot into the frame at the top and the floor at the bottom of the door. The final closing section must have a cylinder operated mortise deadlock.
- b Armoured plate glass doors** – door manufacturer’s integral locks.
- c Other single leaf doors** – provided the door thickness is a minimum of 44mm a mortise deadlock to BS 3621 (including amendments) and a boxed steel striking plate at least 175mm long should be fitted. If the door thickness is less than 44mm secure with a deadlocking rim lock to BS 3621 (including amendments). The Insured must put either of these into the deadlock position when the Premises are closed for business or unattended.
- d Double-leaf doors** – secure the final closing section with a lock as explained in **c** above and secure the first closing section with bolts at least 175mm long and having a minimum throw of 20mm, which shoot into the frame at the top and the floor at the bottom of the door. Or, fit one section with bolts at the top and bottom (as explained above) and both parts of the door with a padlock and locking bar. If the locking bar is on the outside of the door, it must be used with a padlock conforming to BS EN 12320 (including amendments) Security Grade 5. If the locking bar is internal, it must be used with a padlock conforming to BS EN 12320 (including amendments) Security Grade 4. The padlock bar must be of similar strength to the padlock and designed to be used specifically with the padlock, in both cases the padlock bar must be secured to the door with coach bolts.
- e Fire exit doors** – the relevant enforcing authority must approve any locks on these doors. The Insurer must approve any locks or other method of security the Insured agrees following a discussion with the enforcing authority.
- f Folding doors** – secure alternate folding sections with bolts at top and bottom, as described in **d** above. Dependent upon its construction, the last section must be secured with a lock as explained in **c** above or with a coach bolted locking bar and padlock as explained in **d** above.
- g Sliding doors** – coach-bolted locking bar and padlock secured as described in **d** above, or a deadlock with a hook bolt which conforms to BS 3621 (including amendments).
- h Wicket Gates** – dependent upon its construction (see **a**, **b** or **c** above) a mortise deadlock or deadlocking cylinder rim-latch to BS 3621 (including amendments) or locking bar and padlock as in **d** above.
- i Roller Shutters** – For electrically operated roller shutters, the Insurer requires the fitting of a key operated isolation switch to the electricity supply to the controls. If this is not fitted then one of the measures for manually operated roller shutters shown below must be installed.

Policy Conditions (continued)

Where the operating controls for electrically operated roller shutters are external to the Premises, these are to be secured within a welded steel housing of at least 3mm thickness with a door or coverplate secured with a padlock conforming to BS EN 12320 CEN Security Grade 4 (including amendments). The housing is to be so secured when the Premises are closed for business or unattended.

The Insurer requires one of the following for manually operated roller shutters:

- key operated “pinson” or “bullet” locks into each guide rail fitted as close to the bottom of the door as possible
- secure the chain of the door to the wall bracket by an open shackle padlock conforming to BS EN 12320 Security Grade 4 (including amendments)
- A bolt fitted to the shutter door internally with the bolt engaging into the door runner and padlocked into position using a padlock conforming to BS EN 12320 Security Grade 4 (including amendments).

Windows

All opening windows in external walls at ground floor and basement levels and any windows, fanlights and skylights in accessible positions i.e. from a flat roof or fire escape on upper levels to have key operated window locks.

Louvred windows to be replaced with either fixed glass, or a normal opening window which can be secured with a window lock used with a key.

Keys

All keys must be removed from locks and kept in a secure place or removed from the Premises. Keys to safes must be removed from the Premises, or if the Insured lives on the Premises, they must be removed to a secure place in the residential part of the Premises.

Computer equipment

Unless agreed otherwise in writing the Insurer will require the Insured to fit encasement or entrapment equipment to computers with an individual value of £5,000 and above.

Security Level 2

As Security Level 1 except:

Windows

All windows in external walls at ground floor and basement levels and any windows, fanlights and skylights in accessible positions i.e. from a flat roof or fire escape on upper levels to have:

Either:

Security bar frames made from solid steel bars (not tubes). The bars must be at least 19mm in diameter and not more than 125mm apart between centres. The bars must pass through (or be welded to) tie bars of flat steel every 600mm. The tie bars must be at least 6mm thick and 40mm wide.

The tie bars must be secured to the wall or roof surrounding the window fanlight or skylight at a minimum of 4 points by expansion bolts (such as ‘Rawlbolts’) of at least M8 size which penetrate the masonry or brickwork by at least 60mm and set back at least 50mm from the internal or external face of the wall. If the bars are fixed externally the heads of the bolts must be welded to the tie bars to prevent them being undone.

Or:

Fixed or collapsible security grilles approved to LPS 1175 Specification for testing and classifying the burglary resistance of building components, strong points and security enclosures.

Or:

Roller shutters conforming to LPS1175 (including amendments).

4 Intruder alarm

It is a condition precedent to liability that where the Premises or part of the Premises are protected by an Intruder Alarm Installation as specified by the Security Level detailed in the Schedule:

- a such Intruder Alarm Installation:
 - i must not be altered or amended in any way unless such amendment or alteration has been approved in writing by the Insurer
 - ii must be maintained under contract with the installers or as otherwise approved in writing by the Insurer
- b all keys to the Intruder Alarm Installation must be removed from the Premises when the Premises are unattended
- c the Insured must:
 - i maintain the secrecy of codes for the operation of the Intruder Alarm Installation and no details of such codes shall be left on the Premises when the Premises are unattended

- ii where a remote signalling alarm is required, immediately notify the Insurer upon receipt of any communication giving notice that the level of response to the Intruder Alarm Installation, has been or will be reduced
 - iii appoint at least 2 keyholders and where a remote signalling alarm is required, lodge written details (which must be kept up to date) with the alarm company and the alarm receiving centre
- d** in the event of notification of:
- i any alarm fault
 - ii activation of the Intruder Alarm Installation
 - iii interruption of the means to transmit or receive signals to or from the Intruder Alarm Installation during any period that the Intruder Alarm Installation is set
- a keyholder must attend the Premises as soon as possible
- e** the Premises must not be left without at least one Responsible Person in attendance without the agreement of the Insurer:
- i unless the Intruder Alarm Installation is set in its entirety and with the means to transmit or receive signals (including the signalling path or paths) in full and effective operation
 - ii where the police have withdrawn their response to:
 - 1 an alarm activation (where the Intruder Alarm Installation does not include confirmed alarm activation technology)
 - 2 a confirmed alarm activation where the Intruder Alarm Installation includes confirmed alarm activation technology.

For the purposes of this condition the following definitions apply:

'Intruder Alarm Installation' shall include all the components detailed in the alarm and include the devices used to transmit or receive signals.

'Keyholder' shall mean the Insured or any person or keyholding company authorised by the Insured who:

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

'Responsible Person' shall mean a person authorised by the Insured to be responsible for the security of the Premises.

5 Change of Risk

The Insured must notify the Insurer as soon as possible if during the Period of Insurance there is any alteration:

- a in or to the Business;
- b to or at the Premises;
- c to the facts or matters set out in the Statement of Fact or otherwise comprising the risk presentation made by the Insured to the Insurer at inception, renewal or variation of the Policy;

which materially increases the risk of injury, loss, Damage or liability.

Upon being notified of any such alteration, the Insurer may, at its absolute discretion:

- a continue to provide cover under this Policy on the same terms;
- b restrict the cover provided under this Policy;
- c impose additional terms;
- d alter the premium;
- e cancel the policy.

If the Insured fails to notify the Insurer of any material alteration of the risk, the Insurer may:

- a treat the Policy as if it had come to an end as at the date of the alteration of the risk, returning a proportionate amount of the premium for the unexpired Period of Insurance, if the Insurer would have cancelled the Policy had it known of the increase in risk;
- b treat the Policy as if it had contained such terms (other than relating to premium) or other restrictions (if any) from the date of the alteration in risk as the Insurer would have applied had it known of the increase in risk;
- c reduce proportionately the amount paid or payable on any claim, the proportion for which the Insurer is liable being calculated by comparing the premium actually charged as a percentage of the premium which the Insurer would have charged had it known of the increase in risk.

Policy Conditions (continued)

6 Claims – Action by the Insured

The Insured shall in the event of any injury, Damage or consequential loss as a result of which a claim is or may be made under this Policy or any Section of it, and again upon receipt by the Insured in writing of any notice of any claim or legal proceeding,

- a** notify the Insurer within 30 days, or within 7 days in the case of Damage or consequential loss by riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances, malicious persons or theft, or such further time as the Insurer may allow
- b** notify the Insurer immediately upon being advised of any prosecution, inquest or enquiry connected with any injury, Damage or consequential loss which may form the subject of a claim under this Policy
- c** notify the police as soon as it becomes evident that any Damage has been caused by theft or malicious persons
- d** pass immediately, and unacknowledged, any letter of claim to the Insurer
- e** carry out and permit to be taken any action which may be reasonably practicable to prevent further Damage or consequential loss
- f** retain unaltered and unrepaired anything in any way connected with the injury, Damage or consequential loss for as long as the Insurer may reasonably require
- g** furnish with all reasonable despatch at the Insured's expense
 - i** such further particulars and information as the Insurer may reasonably require
 - ii** if required, a statutory declaration of the truth of the claim
 - iii** details of any other insurances covering the subject matter of the claim under this Policy and any matters connected with it
- h** make available at the Insured's expense any documents required by the Insurer with regard to any letter of claim
- i** not pay or offer or agree to pay any money or make any admission of liability without the previous consent of the Insurer
- j** allow the Insurer in the name of and on behalf of the Insured to take over and, during such periods as the Insurer thinks proper, to have the absolute conduct and control of all negotiations and proceedings which may arise in respect of any claim and the settlement thereof and co-operate fully with the Insurer for that purpose.

No claim under this Policy shall be payable unless the terms of this Policy Condition have been complied with and any payment on account of a claim already made shall be repaid to the Insurer.

7 Claims – The Rights of the Insurer

In respect of Damage for which a claim is made, the Insurer and any person authorised by the Insurer may without incurring any liability or diminishing any of the Insurer's rights in respect of the cover under this Policy, enter premises where such Damage has occurred, and take possession of or require to be delivered to the Insurer any Property Insured, and to deal with such Property for all reasonable purposes and in any reasonable manner.

No Property may be abandoned to the Insurer, whether taken possession of by the Insurer or not.

If the Insurer reinstates or replaces any Property the Insurer shall not be bound to do so exactly but only as circumstances permit and in a reasonably sufficient manner and will not expend more than the Sum Insured on that Property.

The Insurer will not pay for any claim unless the terms of this Policy Condition have been complied with.

8 Other Insurances

If at the time of any Damage there is any other insurance covering such incidents, the Insurer will only pay their rateable proportion of such loss.

9 Cancellation

The Insured's Cancellation Rights

The Insured has the right to immediately cancel the cover within 14 days of the commencement of cover or the receipt of Policy documentation, whichever is the later (this period is referred to as the "cooling off period").

The Insured should exercise this right by contacting their insurance adviser or by writing to the Allianz office which issued the Policy documentation.

If the Insured does exercise their right to cancel during the "cooling off period", and provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance, the Insured will be entitled to a return of premium calculated on a pro-rata basis, less an administration charge of £25 to cover operational costs. The amount of premium to be refunded under this condition will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments outstanding at the date of cancellation.

If the “cooling off period” has expired, the Insured may cancel the Policy during the Period of Insurance by giving 14 days’ notice in writing to their insurance adviser or the Allianz office which issued the Policy. Provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a refund of the premium paid calculated on a pro-rata basis, less an administration charge of £25 to cover operational costs. The amount of any premium to be refunded under this condition will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

The Insurer’s Cancellation Rights

In addition to the Insurers’ rights set out elsewhere in the Policy, including but not limited to Condition 15 (Fair Presentation of the Risk) and Condition 10 (Fraud), where there is a valid reason for doing so the Insurer may cancel this Policy at any time by giving the Insured at least 14 days’ notice in writing sent to the Insured’s last known address. The notice will set out the reason for cancellation.

Valid reasons for cancellation may include but are not limited to:

- a** Non payment of premium (including if the premium for this Policy is paid by instalments and in the event that the Insured fails to pay one or more instalments whether in full or in part). In the event that a premium payment is missed the Insurer will write to the Insured notifying them that a payment has been missed and requesting payment by a specific date. If payment is not received by the Insurer by the specific date the Insurer will send a final letter to the Insured requesting payment by a final date which will be set out in the final letter. If payment is not received by the final date the Insurer will cancel the policy with immediate effect. The Insured will be notified in writing if the policy is cancelled;
- b** Continued failure by the Insured to comply with the terms and conditions of this Policy;
- c** Failure by the Insured to allow the Insurer to complete a survey (where the Policy has been issued or renewed subject to a survey);
- d** Failure by the Insured to adhere to, or implement, any risk improvement requirements or conditions required by the Insurer, including any changes required by any survey or claims adjusters report, within a reasonable period of time as advised by the Insurer;

- e** Material change in the risk or the sums insured;
- f** Failure by the Insured to co-operate with the Insurer or provide the Insurer with information or documentation reasonably required by the Insurer and the lack of co-operation by the Insured affects the Insurers ability to process a claim or defend the Insurers interests or make risk based underwriting decisions. In this case the Insurer will write to the Insured giving notice of cancellation of this Policy in the event that the Insured does not cooperate to provide the information or documentation reasonably required within a period of 14 days starting from the date provided in the letter; or
- g** The Insured’s use of threatening, abusive or intimidating behaviour or inappropriate language or bullying of the Insurers staff or suppliers.

If the Insurer does cancel this Policy, provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a proportionate return of the premium in respect of the unexpired Period of Insurance. The amount of premium refund payable will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

10 Fraud

If the Insured or anyone acting on the Insured’s behalf:

- a** makes any false or fraudulent claim;
- b** makes any exaggerated claim;
- c** supports a claim by false or fraudulent documents, devices or statements (whether or not the claim is itself genuine); or
- d** makes a claim for loss or damage which the Insured or anyone acting on the Insured’s behalf deliberately caused;

the Insurer will:

- i** refuse to pay the whole of the claim; and
- ii** recover from the Insured any sums that it has already paid in respect of the claim.

The Insurer may also notify the Insured that it will be treating the Policy as having terminated with effect from the date of the earliest of any of the acts set out in sub-clauses **a – d** above. In that event, the Insured will:

- a** have no cover under the Policy from the date of the termination; and
- b** not be entitled to any refund of premium.

Policy Conditions (continued)

11 Arbitration

If the Insurer accepts that there is a claim under this Policy but there is disagreement in respect of the amount to be paid, the disagreement will be referred to an arbitrator appointed in accordance with current statutory provisions. In these circumstances an arbitrator's award must be made before there is any right of action against the Insurer.

12 The Statement of Fact or Proposal Form

The Statement of Fact or Proposal Form where applicable for this Policy, made by the Insured, is incorporated herein.

13 Automatic Reinstatement

The Sums Insured by Section 1 Contents and 6 Buildings of this Policy will not be automatically reduced as a result of a claim provided that:

- a** the total of the amounts so reinstated during any one Period of Insurance shall not exceed the amount of the Sum Insured
- b** the Insured shall:
 - i** take immediate steps to effect such additions to or variations in protections as the Insurer may require
 - ii** pay the appropriate additional premium.

14 Average

Whenever a Sum Insured is declared to be subject to average, if, at the time of any loss or damage to the Property Insured, the Sum Insured is less than the full value of the property to which it applies, the Insured will be considered to be their own insurer for the difference and will be expected to bear a rateable share of the loss accordingly.

15 Fair Presentation of the Risk

- a** The Insured must make a fair presentation of the risk to the Insurer at inception, renewal and variation of the Policy.
- b** The Insurer may avoid the Policy and refuse to pay any claims where any failure to make a fair presentation is:
 - i** deliberate or reckless; or
 - ii** of such other nature that, if the Insured had made a fair presentation, the Insurer would not have issued the Policy.

The Insurer will return the premium paid by the Insured unless the failure to make a fair presentation is deliberate or reckless.

- c** If the Insurer would have issued the Policy on different terms had the Insured made a fair presentation, the Insurer will not avoid the Policy (except where the failure is deliberate or reckless) but the Insurer may instead:

- i** reduce proportionately the amount paid or payable on any claim, the proportion for which the Insurer is liable being calculated by comparing the premium actually charged as a percentage of the premium which the Insurer would have charged had the Insured made a fair presentation; and/or
- ii** treat the Policy as if it had included such additional terms (other than those requiring payment of premium) as the Insurer would have imposed had the Insured made a fair presentation.

For the purposes of this clause references to:

- a** avoiding a Policy means treating the Policy as if it had not existed from the inception date (where the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk occurs before or at the inception of the Policy), the renewal date (where the failure occurs at renewal of the Policy), or the variation date (where the failure occurs when the Policy is varied);
- b** refunds of premium should be treated as refunds of premium back to the inception date, renewal date or variation date as the context requires;
- c** issuing a Policy should be treated as references to issuing the Policy at inception, renewing or varying the Policy as the context requires.

16 Law Applicable and Jurisdiction

Unless the Insurer agrees otherwise:

- a** the language of the Policy and all communications relating to it will be English; and
- b** all aspects of the Policy including negotiation and performance are subject to English law and the decision of the English courts.

17 Smoking Condition

It is a condition precedent to liability that the Insured will:

- a** enforce a no smoking policy at the Premises which complies with current legislation
- b** only allow smoking in clearly marked, specifically designated smoking areas, which comply with current legislation
- c** in all designated smoking areas provide metal receptacles with metal lids for the safe disposal of waste smoking materials
- d** ensure that waste smoking materials, when being removed from the designated smoking areas, are kept separate from other combustible waste material and are stored in metal receptacles with metal lids whilst awaiting final removal from the Premises.

18 Survey and Risk Improvement Condition

If this Policy has been issued or renewed subject to the Insurer completing a survey or surveys of the Premises or of any other location(s) as specified by the Insurer, then pending completion of such survey(s) cover is provided by the Insurer on the terms, conditions, provisions, exclusions and limits as specified in the Policy and in the Sections of the Policy.

In the event that a survey should show that a risk or any part of it is not satisfactory in the opinion of the Insurer, then the Insurer reserves the right to either to:

- a** alter the premium or terms and conditions of the cover, or
- b** suspend or cancel cover:
 - i** from the date cover was incepted or renewed, or
 - ii** for any other period specified by the Insurer.

It is a condition precedent to the liability of the Insurer that the Insured must comply with all survey risk improvements required by the Insurer within completion time scales specified by the Insurer.

In the event that a risk improvement is not completed or risk improvement procedures are not introduced within the completion time scales specified by the Insurer, then the Insurer reserves the right to either:

- 1** continue cover subject to alteration of the terms and conditions of such cover, or
- 2** suspend or cancel cover effective:
 - a** from the date cover was incepted or renewed or
 - b** from the expiry of any time period specified by the Insurer for completion/introduction of the required survey risk improvements, or
 - c** for any other period specified by the Insurer.

If the terms or conditions of cover are amended by the Insurer, then the Insured will have 14 days to accept or reject the revised basis of cover.

If the Insured elect to reject the revised basis of cover, then provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a refund of the premium paid calculated on a pro-rata basis, less an administration charge of £25 to cover operational costs. The amount of any premium to be refunded under this condition will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

If the Insurer exercises the right to suspend or cancel cover, then provided no claim has been made or incident has arisen which is likely to give rise to a claim during the current Period of Insurance the Insured will be entitled to a proportionate return of the premium in respect of such period that cover is suspended or for any period beyond the effective date from which cover is cancelled. The amount of premium refund payable will be reduced by all unpaid premiums or unpaid premium instalments due.

Except in so far as they are expressly varied by this condition, all of the terms, conditions, provisions, exclusions and limits of the Policy and of the Sections of the Policy shall continue to apply until the Insurer advises otherwise.

To the extent that this condition conflicts with any other cancellation condition, this condition shall prevail.

19 Discharge of Liability

The Insurer may at any time pay to the Insured in connection with any claim or series of claims:

- a** the Limit of Indemnity, or
- b** the Sum Insured, or
- c** a lesser amount for which such claim or claims can be settled after deduction of any sums already paid and less the amount of any Excess.

The Insurer will not make any further payment in respect of such claim or claims except for costs and expenses which the Insurer has already agreed to bear and which were incurred prior to such payment.

20 Rights of Parties

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

21 Unoccupied Buildings

It is a condition precedent to liability that when any Building or portion thereof becomes Unoccupied:

- a** the Insured must give immediate notice of such unoccupancy to the Insurer and also when such Unoccupied Buildings or portion thereof are again occupied
- b** the following action must be implemented by the Insured:
 - i** the main services are turned off and the water system is drained whenever the Buildings involved or said portion thereof are vacated, except:
 - a** electricity when needed to maintain any fire or intruder alarm system in operation, or,
 - b** water supply and heating system where a sprinkler system is in operation
 - ii** the Buildings are inspected thoroughly internally and externally at least weekly by the Insured or a responsible person appointed by the Insured and a record is maintained of such inspections
 - iii** any internal or external accumulations of waste, unfixed combustible materials and gas bottles be removed during such inspections
 - iv** the Buildings are secured against unlawful entry by closing all doors and windows and setting all security locking mechanisms, setting any alarm system and setting any other protective device in operation.
- c** the Insured must notify the Insurer immediately if the Buildings or portion thereof are to be occupied by contractors for renovation, alteration or conversion purposes.

22 Conditions Precedent

If the Insured does not comply with any part of any condition which makes payment of a claim conditional upon compliance with it (a condition precedent), the Insurer will not pay for any claim, except that where the condition concerned:

- a** operates only in connection with particular premises or locations, the Insurer will pay for claims arising out of an event occurring at other premises or locations which are not specified in the condition;
- b** operates only at particular times, the Insurer will pay for any claim where the Insured shows on the balance of probabilities that its non-compliance with the condition did not cause or contribute to the injury, loss, damage or liability which occurred;
- c** would, if complied with, tend to reduce particular types of injury, loss, damage or, as the context may require liability, the Insurer will pay for any claim where the Insured shows on the balance of probabilities that its non-compliance with the condition did not cause or contribute to the injury, loss, damage or liability which occurred.

23 Subrogation

Any claimant under this Policy shall, at the Insurer's request and expense, take or permit to be taken all necessary steps for enforcing rights against any other party in the name of the Insured, before or after the Insurer makes any payment.

The Insurer agrees to waive any such rights to which the Insurer might become entitled by subrogation against any company standing in relation of parent to subsidiary (or subsidiary to parent) to the Insured or against any company which is a subsidiary of a parent company of which the Insured are themselves a subsidiary, in each case within the meaning of the Companies Act or Companies (Northern Ireland) Order current at the time of the Damage.

24 Non Invalidation

This Policy shall not be invalidated by:

- a** any act or omission or by any alteration unknown to or beyond the control of the Insured by which the risk of damage is increased, provided that the Insured shall give notice to the Insurer (and pay an additional premium if required) immediately they become aware of such act, omission or alteration
- b** workmen on the Premises carrying out repairs, general maintenance work or minor structural or other alterations.

Policy Exclusions

Applicable unless stated to the contrary under Exclusions in the Sections.

This Policy does not cover:

1 Geographical Limits

Damage, injury or liability arising out of any occurrence outside Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, except where stated to the contrary.

2 War

Loss, destruction, damage, death, injury or liability occasioned by, happening through or in consequence of war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power.

3 Radioactive Contamination

Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss or any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:

- a** ionising radiations from or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste or from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- b** the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any nuclear installation, reactor or other nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof
- c** any weapon or other device utilizing radioactive material and/or matter and/or ionising radiation and/or atomic or nuclear fission and/or fusion or other like reaction
- d** the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any radioactive matter.

Exclusions **a** and **b** do not apply to Section 4 – Liabilities, Event 1 - Employers' Liability other than in respect of:

- i** the liability of any principal
- ii** liability assumed by the Insured under a contract or agreement which would not have attached in the absence of such contract or agreement.

Exclusions **c** and **d** do not apply to Section 4 – Liabilities, Event 1 - Employers' Liability and Section 4 – Liabilities, Event 2 – Public Liability.

4 Sonic Bangs

Damage directly occasioned by pressure waves caused by aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

5 Northern Ireland

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

6 Pollution or Contamination

Loss, destruction or damage caused by or resulting from pollution or contamination except such Damage to the Property Insured or, if applicable, loss resulting from damage to property used by the Insured at the Premises stated in the Schedule for the purpose of the Business caused by:

- a** pollution or contamination which itself results from fire, lightning, explosion, aircraft or other aerial devices or articles dropped therefrom, riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances, malicious persons other than thieves, earthquake, storm, flood, bursting overflowing discharging or leaking of water tanks apparatus or pipes, sprinkler leakage or impact by any road vehicle or animal, always provided that such peril is insured by this Policy.
- b** any of the perils listed in **a** above which itself results from pollution or contamination.

7 Changes in Water Table Level

Damage attributable solely to changes in the water table level.

8 Heat, Mechanical or Electrical Derangement

Damage to:

- a** property occasioned by its undergoing any process involving the application of heat
- b** any electrical machine or apparatus occasioned by its own overrunning, excessive pressure, short circuiting, mechanical breakdown, failure, derangement or self-heating.

Policy Exclusions (continued)

9 Destruction of Data

loss resulting from erasure or distortion of information on computer systems or other records:

- a** whilst mounted in or on any machine or data processing apparatus
- b** due to the presence of magnetic flux

unless caused by Damage to the machine or apparatus in which the records are mounted.

10 Computer Date Exclusion

Loss, destruction or damage or liability directly or indirectly caused by or consisting of or arising from the failure of any computer or other equipment or system for processing, storing or retrieving data, whether the property of the Insured or not, to achieve any or all of the purposes and consequential effects intended by the use of any number to denote a date including the failure:

- a** correctly to recognise any date as its true calendar date
- b** to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore and/or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data or information or command or instruction as a result of treating any date otherwise than as its true calendar date
- c** to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore and/or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data or information as a result of the operation of any command which has been programmed into any computer software or firmware, being a command which causes the loss of data or the inability to recognise, capture, save, retain, restore or correctly to manipulate, interpret, calculate or process any data on or after any date

but the insurance shall not exclude any subsequent Damage which is not otherwise excluded.

11 E-Risks

- a** Loss or destruction of or damage to any Computer Equipment (as defined below) consisting of or caused directly or indirectly by:
 - i** programming or operator error whether by the Insured or any other person
 - ii** Virus or Similar Mechanism (as defined below)
 - iii** Hacking (as defined below)
 - iv** malicious persons
 - v** failure of external networks

unless, in respect of **i**, **ii** and **iii** above, such Damage results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion

- b** any financial loss or expense of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to business interruption, resulting directly or indirectly from the type of loss destruction or damage described in paragraph **a** of this Exclusion unless, in respect of **a i**, **ii** or **iii** above, the financial loss or expense results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion

- c** Loss or destruction of or damage to any property other than Computer Equipment where it arises directly or indirectly out of Damage to any Computer Equipment of the type described in paragraph **a** of this Exclusion unless, in respect of loss or damage to other property arising from **a i**, **ii** or **iii** above, resulting from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion

- d** Loss or destruction of or damage either to Computer Equipment or any other property where it consists of or arises directly or indirectly out of:
 - i** the erasure, loss, distortion, corruption or unauthorised access to or modification of information on computer systems or other records, programs or software by rioters, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or civil commotions, or malicious persons
 - ii** the erasure, loss, distortion, corruption or unauthorised access to or modification of information on computer systems or other records, programs or software due to any cause not included in **d i** above
 - iii** any misinterpretation, use or misuse of information on computer systems or other records, programs or software

unless, in respect of **d ii** and **iii** above, such Damage results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion

- e** any financial loss or expense of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to business interruption, where it arises directly or indirectly from the type of loss or destruction or damage described in paragraphs **c** and **d** of this Exclusion unless, in respect of **c**, **d ii** and **iii** above, the financial loss or expense results from a concurrent or subsequent cause not excluded by this or any other policy exclusion.

For the purpose of this Exclusion:

Computer Equipment – means computer equipment, component, system or item which processes, stores, transmits or retrieves data, or any part thereof, whether the property of the Insured or not, whether tangible or intangible and including without limitation any information, programs or software.

Virus or Similar Mechanism – means any program code, programming instruction or other 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), including but not limited to ‘Trojan Horses’, ‘Worms’ or ‘Logic Bombs’.

Hacking – means unauthorised access to any computer or computer equipment, component, system or item, whether the property of the Insured or not, which processes, stores, transmits or retrieves data.

12 Terrorism

a in respect of England, Wales and Scotland but not the territorial seas adjacent thereto as defined in the Territorial Sea Act 1987:

Loss, destruction or damage or consequential loss of whatsoever nature, directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with:

- i** any Act of Terrorism, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to such Act of Terrorism
- ii** any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing any Act of Terrorism, or in any other way related to such Act of Terrorism

In respect of **a** above an Act of Terrorism (Terrorism) means: Acts of persons acting on behalf of, or in connection with, any organisation which carries out activities directed towards the overthrowing or influencing, by force or violence, of Her Majesty’s government in the United Kingdom or any other government de jure or de facto.

b in respect of territories other than those stated in **a** above loss or destruction or damage or any consequential loss of whatsoever nature, directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with:

- i** any act of Terrorism, regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to such act of Terrorism
- ii** any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing any act of Terrorism, or in any way related to such act of Terrorism

In respect of **b** above an act of Terrorism (Terrorism) means: An act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s), committed for

political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or put the public or any section of the public in fear.

In any action suit or other proceedings where the Insurer alleges that by reason of this exclusion any Damage or any consequential loss is not covered (or is covered only up to a specified limit of liability), the burden of proving to the contrary shall be upon the Insured.

In the event any part of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in force and effect.

Section 1 – Contents

Definitions

Glass

Plain plate, plain sheet, laminated glass and polycarbonate sheeting fixed in windows, doors, fanlights, and rooflights and glass fixed in wall mirrors, shelves, showcases and counter-cases, including lettering fixed to such glass.

Premises

The part or parts of any Building situated at the address or addresses of the Insured stated in the Schedule occupied solely by the Insured as offices or surgeries in connection with the Business and otherwise as offices and private dwelling rooms.

Property Insured

Office Contents – all contents belonging to the Insured or for which they are responsible excluding:

- a Computer Equipment
- b landlord's fixtures and fittings and tenant's improvements
- c business books, documents and computer programs and records
- d money and jewellery
- e any amount in excess of:
 - i £10,000 for any one article other than fitted carpets
 - ii £10,000 in total for trade samples, goods held in trust or for which the Insured are responsible and trade stock excluding any prescription drugs, medicines and medical supplies
 - iii £10,000 for any one item of glass, china, porcelain, picture or other work of art
 - iv £1,000 for Wines and Spirits
 - v £10,000 in total for prescription drugs and medicines and medical supplies.

Computer Equipment – All computer and ancillary equipment belonging to the Insured or for which they are responsible including associated data carrying materials but excluding programs or information recorded thereon.

Business Records – The cost of research, stationery, clerical labour and computer time in the reproduction of the Insured's books, documents, computer system records and those of others for which the Insured are responsible in connection with the Business at the Premises or whilst temporarily removed anywhere within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands excluding:

- a the value of the information contained therein
- b any amount in excess of £1,000 for any one document, disc or tape
- c any costs that are incurred after 36 months from the date of the loss
- d any amount exceeding 10% of the Sum Insured under this Item whilst temporarily removed
- e theft from any unattended vehicle.

Sanitaryware

Baths, sinks, lavatory bowls and cisterns, washbasins and pedestals, shower trays and bidets forming permanent fixtures.

Sum Insured

- a The Insurer's liability under each item of this Section is limited to the respective Sums Insured shown in the Schedule.
- b Index Linking
 - i The Sums Insured will be adjusted each month by the percentage change in the Durable Goods Section of the Retail Price Index (or some other suitable Index decided by the Insurer)
 - ii Additional premium will not be charged on such adjustments during the Period of Insurance. The renewal premium will be calculated on the adjusted Sum Insured applying on the last day of the month 3 months before renewal month
 - iii In the event of insured Damage the monthly Index Linking adjustments will continue during the period between the date of the Damage and the completion of repair or replacement, provided that the Insured takes all reasonable steps to have the repair or replacement carried out without delay. The period of Index Linking adjustments after Damage is limited to one year.

Cover

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in respect of:

A Damage to the Property Insured by any cause not excluded, occurring during the Period of Insurance.

The amount payable shall be the cost actually incurred of:

1 Property other than clothing:

a replacement of property totally lost or destroyed, with no deduction for wear and tear or depreciation, provided:

- 1 the Sum Insured is adequate to pay for replacement of the Property Insured and
- 2 such replacement is carried out without delay.

If the Property Insured totally lost or destroyed is not replaced or if the Sum Insured is inadequate to pay for the replacement of all the Property Insured, the amount payable shall be the market value of the totally lost or destroyed property.

b repair of damaged property.

2 Clothing:

- a replacement of articles totally lost or destroyed with deduction for wear and tear or depreciation.
- b repair of damaged articles.

B Breakage or Damage of or to Glass or Sanitaryware at the Premises, occurring during the Period of Insurance.

The amount payable shall be the cost of repair or replacement, without deduction for wear and tear.

Extensions (subject to the terms conditions exclusions and limits of this Section and the Policy)

Cover under this Section includes:

1 Temporary Removal

Office Contents whilst temporarily removed to, and whilst in transit between, anywhere within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, Isle of Man or the Channel Islands excluding:

- a any amount in excess of 20% of the Sum Insured for Office Contents shown in the Schedule
- b any amount in excess of £5,000 any one article
- c theft from any unattended vehicle.

2 Clothing and Personal Effects

Clothing and personal effects belonging to:

- a the Insured or their partners, directors or employees whilst involved in the Business anywhere in the world

b visitors to the Premises

excluding:

- i money
- ii any amount in excess of £1,000 any one person
- iii the first £50 of each claim and Exclusion 4 shall not apply
- iv theft from any unattended vehicle.

3 Underground Services

The cost of repairing accidental damage to underground water, gas, oil, sewer and drain pipes and underground electricity, telephone and television cables for which the Insured are responsible as tenant excluding clearance of blockages unless caused by an event insured by this Section.

4 Locks and Keys

The cost of replacement of locks, lock mechanisms and keys necessary to maintain the security of the Premises following theft of keys by force and violence from within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands from any director, partner or employee of the Insured authorised to hold such keys up to £2,500 any one claim and Exclusion 4 shall not apply.

5 Rent

(Not applicable if Section 6 is operative)

Rent which the Insured are liable to pay following Damage which renders the Premises or any part of the Premises unfit for occupation by the Insured but only in respect of the period necessary for reinstatement up to 25% of the Total Sum Insured for Office Contents and Computer Equipment shown in the Schedule.

6 Damage to Buildings

(Not applicable if Section 6 is operative)

Damage for which the Insured are responsible caused by thieves to the Premises in connection with theft or attempted theft up to £25,000 any one claim.

7 Document Transmission

The Insured's legal liability for the cost of Damage, including claimants' costs and expenses incurred with the written consent of the Insurer, arising from the Insured's negligence or omission to send any documents by recorded delivery or registered post up to £2,500 any one claim.

8 Boarding Up

The cost of boarding up pending replacement of broken or damaged Glass.

Section 1 – Contents (continued)

9 Removal of Debris

The cost of removing debris, demolishing, shoring up or propping of the damaged parts of the Property Insured on the site and the area immediately adjacent necessarily incurred with the Insurer's consent excluding:

- a costs incurred in connection with or on any other property
- b costs arising from pollution or contamination of property not insured by this Section.

10 Subsidence, Ground Heave and Landslip

Damage to the Property Insured caused by subsidence or ground heave of any part of the site on which the property stands, or landslip excluding:

- a Damage resulting from:
 - i the normal settlement or bedding down of new structures
 - ii the settlements or movement of made-up ground
 - iii coastal or river erosion
 - iv defective design or workmanship or the use of defective materials
 - v fire, subterranean fire, explosion, earthquake
 - vi escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe
- b Damage which commenced prior to the inception of this Section
- c Damage occurring as a result of demolition construction structural alteration or repair of any property or groundworks or excavation, all at the same Premises
- d the first £1,000 of each loss at each separate Premises.

Special Condition – This Extension shall be avoided if the risk is increased by reason of demolition groundworks excavation or construction being carried out on the same or any adjoining site.

11 Trace and Access

The costs necessarily and reasonably incurred by the Insured in locating the source of Damage in consequence of escape of water or fuel oil from any tank, apparatus or pipe and in the subsequent making good of Damage caused as a consequence of locating such source, up to an amount of £25,000 any one claim.

12 Metered Water, Gas or Electric

Additional metered water, gas or electric charges incurred by the Insured up to an amount of £10,000 any one Period of Insurance, in consequence of Damage, but the Insurer will not pay for such charges incurred in respect of any Building which is Unoccupied.

The basis on which the amount payable is to be calculated will be the amount of the water, gas or electric charges for the period during which Damage occurs, less the charge paid by the Insured for the corresponding period in the preceding year, adjusted for changes in the water, gas or electric suppliers' charges and for variations affecting the water, gas or electric consumption of the Insured during the intervening period.

13 Landscaped Grounds and Emergency Vehicles

Costs incurred by the Insured in consequence of Damage to Property Insured at the Premises:

- a in restoring landscaped grounds to their original appearance when first laid out and planted, but excluding costs arising due to the failure of trees, shrubs, plants, turf and the like to germinate or become established
- b reinstating or repairing landscaped gardens and grounds following damage caused by the emergency services vehicles, equipment or personnel in the course of carrying out their duties

up to an amount of £10,000 any one claim.

14 Alterations and Additions

To the extent that they are not otherwise insured:

- a alterations, additions and improvements (but not appreciation in value in excess of Sums Insured) to Office Contents, Landlord's Fixtures and Fittings and Tenant's Improvements
- b any newly acquired Office Contents, Landlord's Fixtures and Fittings and Tenant's Improvements

within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, for no more than 15% of the Sum Insured for each item covered, or £50,000 in total, whichever is the less, at any one Premises or at any one newly acquired address elsewhere than at the Premises, provided that the Insured shall give details of such alterations and additions to the Insurer within 90 days of the commencement date of the Insured's responsibility, effect specific cover retrospective to such date and pay the appropriate additional premium.

15 Lamps Signs and Nameplates

Lamps Signs and Nameplates for which the Insured are responsible up to £1,500.

16 Exhibitions

Property Insured whilst at any exhibition within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, including whilst in transit to and from such exhibition, up to an amount of £10,000 any one Period of Insurance.

17 Fire Extinguishers, Sprinklers and Security Equipment

Reasonable costs incurred by the Insured in:

- a re-filling, recharging or replacing any fire extinguishers, local or fixed fire suppression or gas flooding systems, sprinkler installations and sprinkler heads
- b having any fire and/or intruder alarms and closed circuit television equipment re-set in consequence of Damage.

Provided that:

- i the Insured maintain all such equipment under contract and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions with a maintenance company acceptable to the Insurer
- ii the Insurer shall not be liable in respect of any costs and expenses recoverable from the maintenance company or from the fire service
- iii the liability of the Insurer in respect of any one claim shall not exceed £10,000.

18 Office Contents in Transit

Damage to Office Contents whilst in transit including loading and unloading anywhere in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands by any of the Insured's own vehicles up to a limit of £5,000 any one Period of Insurance excluding:

- a any Damage due to:
 - i depreciation or deterioration unless caused by accident to the conveying vehicle
 - ii delay or loss of market
 - iii default in packing or addressing of any parcel or package
- b any consequential loss of any kind or description
- c any theft of Office Contents from any vehicle left unattended, unless such vehicle has all points of access closed and secured by all the locks and other protections and has all the keys removed from the vehicle
- d glass, livestock, precious metals or stones, jewellery, watches, furs, money, securities, stamps, documents, manuscripts, business books, plans or designs
- e items more specifically insured including under Extensions 1 and 16 of this Section

- f the first £200 of each claim.

Note: Exclusions 4 and 6 of this Section shall not apply to this Extension.

Special Conditions – The Policy Conditions except 3 and 14 apply to this Extension and in addition:

1 Safeguarding of Property

The Insured shall take all reasonable measures to safeguard the Office Contents from Damage and to maintain vehicles in an efficient and roadworthy condition.

2 Employees

The Insured shall take all reasonable care in the selection of honest and competent employees.

3 Additional Theft Protection

If any additional protections to any vehicle are reasonably required by the Insurer following Damage due to theft the Insured shall comply within a reasonable period specified by the Insurer.

Section 1 – Contents (continued)

Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions of this Policy apply to this Section and in addition it does not cover:

- 1** property more specifically insured
- 2** Damage caused by or arising from:
 - a** frost, coastal erosion, settlement, wear and tear
 - b** rot, mildew, rust, corrosion
 - c** insects, woodworm, vermin
 - d** dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation
 - e** faulty manipulation, design, plan, specification or materials
 - f** gradual deterioration, market depreciation
 - g** any computer virus
 - h** acts of fraud or dishonesty by any partner, director or employee of the Insured
- 3** consequential loss of any kind except under Extension 5 Rent
- 4** the first:
 - a** £200 of each claim
 - b** £500 of any claim in respect of Damage to property by theft not accompanied by forcible and violent entry to or exit from the Premises
- 5** theft by any employee of the Insured not accompanied by forcible and violent entry to or exit from the Premises
- 6** theft from any unattended vehicle
- 7** derangement of Computer Equipment unaccompanied by Damage to such equipment
- 8** Damage to electrical equipment by short circuiting or overrunning not resulting in fire
- 9** Glass or Sanitaryware that is cracked or broken at the commencement of this insurance until replaced by the Insured
- 10** any superficial scratching or chipping of Glass or Sanitaryware.
- 11** Damage to any Property
 - a** caused by fire, resulting from its undergoing any heating process or process involving the application of heat

- b** resulting from its undergoing any process of production, packing, treatment, testing, commissioning, service or repair, but the Insurer will pay for such Damage caused by fire or explosion

12 Damage to:

- a** vehicles licensed for road use (including accessories on them), caravans, trailers, railway locomotives, rolling stock, watercraft or aircraft
- b** Property or structures in course of construction or erection and materials or supplies in connection with all such Property or structures
- c** land, pier, jetties, bridges, culverts or excavations
- d** livestock, growing crops or trees

but the Insurer will pay for such property specifically described in the Schedule

- 13** Damage occasioned by nationalisation, confiscation, requisition, seizure or destruction by the Government or any public authority
- 14** Damage to automated teller machines (ATM).

Conditions

The Policy Conditions of this Policy apply to this Section.

Section 2 – Money and Personal Assault

Definitions

Accident

Bodily injury caused by violent external and visible means.

Business Hours

The period during which the Insured or their partners, directors or employees are at the Premises for the purpose of the Business.

Insured Person

The Insured and any of their partners, directors or employees aged between 16 and 70 years.

Loss of Limb

Loss by physical severance or permanent and total loss of use of an entire hand or arm or an entire foot or leg which the Insured Person has survived for at least one month.

Loss of Sight

Total loss of sight of an eye which has lasted 3 months of the Insured Person's lifetime and is at the end of that period beyond hope of improvement.

Money

Negotiable and Non-Negotiable Money.

Money in Transit

Negotiable Money in transit in the personal custody of the Insured or their authorised representatives or in a bank night safe until liability is accepted by the bank.

Negotiable Money

Cash, bank and currency notes, uncrossed cheques, uncrossed postal orders, luncheon vouchers, current postage stamps, trading stamps, National Insurance stamps not fixed to cards, Holiday with Pay stamps, National Savings stamps, unexpired units in franking machines, gift tokens and consumer redemption vouchers belonging to the Insured or for which they are responsible.

Non-Negotiable Money

Crossed cheques, crossed postal orders, crossed bankers drafts, National Insurance stamps fixed to cards, National Savings certificates, Premium Bonds, credit sales vouchers or receipts and V.A.T. purchase invoices belonging to the Insured or for which they are responsible.

Permanent Total Disablement

A disablement which permanently, completely and continuously prevents the Insured Person from attending to his usual occupation or any other occupation for which he is fitted by knowledge and training, and which having lasted 104 weeks of the Insured Person's lifetime is at the end of that period beyond hope of improvement.

Temporary Partial Disablement

A disablement which continuously prevents the Insured Person from attending to a substantial part of their usual occupation.

Temporary Total Disablement

A disablement which completely and continuously prevents the Insured Person from attending to their usual occupation.

Cover

- A The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in respect of Damage to Money occurring during the Period of Insurance held in connection with the Business up to the limits shown in the Schedule by any cause not excluded.**
- B The Insurer will indemnify the Insured against Damage to any safe strongroom, franking machine or automated teller machine (ATM) at the Premises as a direct result of theft or attempted theft of Money up to an amount of £10,000 any one claim.**
- C The Insurer will pay to the Insured the sum or sums set out in the Scale of Compensation if any Insured Person acting in connection with the Business shall:**
 - 1 sustain an Accident as a direct result of theft or attempted theft**
 - 2 suffer emotional stress necessitating professional counselling as a direct result of theft or attempted theft.**

Section 2 – Money and Personal Assault (continued)

Scale of Compensation

Item	Amount
1 If any Insured Person shall sustain an Accident resulting directly and independently of any other cause within 12 months in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a death b loss of one or more limbs and/or sight of one or both eyes c Permanent Total Disablement d Temporary Total Disablement e Temporary Partial Disablement * per week during such disablement	£25,000 £25,000 £25,000 £100* £50*
2 Cost of cleaning, repairing or replacing lost or damaged clothing or personal effects of the Insured Person up to	£250
3 The cost of professional counselling not exceeding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a an hourly cost of b an amount per person of c an amount in total of 	£30 £1,000 £5,000

Limitations

In respect of each Insured Person:

- 1** compensation shall not be paid under more than one of the Items **1a**, **1b**, or **1c** of the Scale of Compensation for the consequence of the same Accident
- 2** weekly compensation under Items **1d** and/or **1e** of the Scale of Compensation will not be paid for more than 104 weeks in all in respect of one or more Accidents. Weekly compensation will be paid when the total amount to be paid has been agreed or, if the Insured requests, at the end of each period of 4 consecutive weeks disablement
- 3** compensation shall not be paid unless as soon as possible after an Accident the injured person is placed under the care of a qualified medical practitioner whose advice shall be followed. A post-mortem examination shall be carried out if required by and at the Insurer's own expense
- 4** compensation shall not be paid under Items **3a**, **3b** and **3c** of the Scale of Compensation unless such counselling is recommended by a qualified medical practitioner and agreed to by the Insurer before costs are incurred.

Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions of this Policy except 9 and 10 apply to this Section and in addition it does not cover:

- 1** any loss due to lack of integrity of any of the Insured's employees not discovered within 15 working days of the occurrence
- 2** any loss covered by or which but for the existence of this Section would be covered by any policy of Fidelity Guarantee, and this Section shall not contribute to such loss except in excess of any amount insured thereunder
- 3** any loss from any unattended vehicle
- 4** any consequential loss or shortages due to errors or omissions and any depreciation in value
- 5** any loss that results from any business transaction
- 6** any loss of Money from an automated teller machine (ATM) which is not filled by the Insured.

Conditions

The Policy Conditions of this Policy except 13 and 14 apply to this Section and in addition:

1 Records Condition

The Insured shall keep a proper written record of all Property Insured hereunder and shall allow the Insurer at all reasonable times to inspect such records. A proper record shall also be kept of all Money in a safe in some place other than in the said safe.

2 Keys Condition

It is a condition precedent to liability in respect of any losses from safes that whenever the Premises is closed for business the key or keys of any safe shall be removed from the Premises or to that part of the Premises where the person responsible for their safety normally resides.

3 Accompaniment Condition

It is a condition precedent to any liability under Section 2. Money And Personal Assault that Negotiable Money in Transit other than by a security organisation or by registered post will be accompanied by:

- a** 2 adults when in excess of £3,000
- b** 3 adults when in excess of £6,000.

4 Self Fill Automated Teller Machines (ATM) Condition

It is a condition precedent to liability for Money in a self fill automated teller machine (ATM) at the Premises that the ATM should be filled with cash sufficient for one days trading only and must be filled whilst the Premises are locked and customers are excluded from the Premises.

In addition, where the ATM is installed inside the Building:

- a** the cash must be removed from the ATM whilst the Premises are locked and customers are excluded from the Premises and placed in a safe of adequate security (as agreed by the Insurer) for the amount of cash
- b** the door to the ATM and the security container(s) within must be left open out of Business Hours
- c** prominent notices must be placed around the perimeter and within the Premises stating that the ATM holds no cash when the Premises are closed for business
- d** the ATM must be located within the Premises as far away from accessible doors and windows as is reasonably practicable and secured to the floor by a proprietary fixing system installed by the ATM installer.

5 Fair Presentation

If a claim is made under Cover **C** of this Section, the Insurer will not invoke the remedies which might otherwise have been available to it under Policy Condition 15 (Fair Presentation of the Risk) as against the Insured, if the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk concerns only facts or information which relate to a particular partner, director or employee. If the partner, director or employee concerned or the Insured on their behalf makes a careless misrepresentation of facts, the Insurer may invoke the remedies available to it under Policy Condition 15 as against that partner, director or employee only, as if a separate insurance contract had been issued to such person, leaving the remainder of the Policy unaffected.

6 Fraudulent Claims

If any fraud to which Policy Condition 10 (Fraud) relates is perpetrated by or on behalf of an Insured Person (and not on behalf of the Insured), Policy Condition 10 should be read as if it applies only to that Insured Person's claim and references to the Policy should be read as if they were references to the cover effected for that person alone and not to the Policy as a whole.

Section 3 – Business Interruption

Definitions

Annual Income

The Income during the 12 months immediately before the date of the Damage.

Business

The Business shown in the Schedule, conducted solely from the Premises.

Income

The money paid or payable to the Insured in respect of work done and services rendered in the course of the Business.

Indemnity Period

The period beginning with the occurrence of the Damage and ending within the number of months shown in the Schedule during which the results of the Business are affected in consequence of the Damage.

Loss of Income Sum Insured

The Loss of Income Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

Maximum Indemnity Period

Maximum indemnity period shown in the Schedule.

Outstanding Debit Balances

The total outstanding debit balances last recorded by the Insured under the provisions of Condition 4 (Computer Systems and Other Records) adjusted for:

- a bad debts
- b 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 the Insured's customers' accounts in the period between the date to which the total last recorded relates and the date of the Damage
- c any abnormal condition of trade which had or could have had a material effect on the Business

so that the figures adjusted shall represent as nearly as reasonably practicable those which would have been obtained at the date of the loss or Damage had the Damage not occurred.

Note

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

Premises

Any of the Premises as defined in Section 1. Contents.

Standard Income

The Income during that period in the 12 months immediately before the date of the Damage which corresponds with the Indemnity Period.

Cover

A For Loss of Income and Additional Expenses, the Insurer will indemnify the Insured up to the Sums Insured shown in the Schedule in respect of:

- 1 Damage resulting from interruption of or interference with the Business by any cause insured under Section 1. Contents to:**
 - a any Building or other property at the Premises for the purpose of the Insured's Business provided that:
 - i at the time of the occurrence of the Damage there is in force an insurance covering the Insured's interest in the property against such Damage and
 - ii payment has been made or liability has been admitted unless such payment or liability has been excluded as being below a specified amount
 - b property in the vicinity of the Premises which prevents or hinders the use of the Premises
 - c equipment at the public telephone exchange serving the Premises
 - d any documents temporarily removed from the Premises
- 2 loss resulting from interruption of or interference with the Business occasioned by:**
 - a accidental failure of the public supply of electricity, gas or water at the terminal points of the supply authorities' feeds to the Premises excluding failure of the supply due to the deliberate act of the supply authority
 - b murder or suicide at the Premises.

Loss of Income

This insurance is limited to Loss of Income and Additional Cost of Working in connection with the Business at the Premises insured under Section 1. Contents and the amount payable as indemnity shall be:

- 1** in respect of Loss of Income – the amount by which the Income during the Indemnity Period shall, as a consequence of the Damage, fall short of the Standard Income

- 2 in respect of Additional Cost of Working – the additional expenditure necessarily and reasonable incurred for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing the Loss of Income which but for that expenditure would have taken place during the Indemnity Period in consequence of the Damage but not exceeding the Loss of Income thereby avoided less any sum saved during the Indemnity Period in respect of business expenses and charges which cease or are reduced as a result of the Damage.

Provided that if the Sum Insured is less than the Annual Income (or for Indemnity Periods exceeding 12 months, such multiple that the Indemnity Periods bears to 12 months) the amount payable shall be proportionately reduced.

Additional Expenses

This insurance is limited to the additional expenses, including the cost of obtaining temporary offices and expenses incidental to their occupation and additional employment costs and other abnormal expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred by the Insured in consequence of the Damage during the Indemnity Period in order to continue the Business.

- B For Outstanding Debit Balances, the Insurer will indemnify the Insured up to the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule in respect of Damage by any cause covered by Section 1. Contents to the Insured’s books of account or other business books or records at the Premises shown in the Schedule which results in the Insured being unable to trace or establish the Outstanding Debit Balances in whole or in part due to the Insured.**

Outstanding Debit Balances

This insurance is limited to:

- 1 the difference between:
 - a the Outstanding Debit Balances and
 - b the total of the amounts received or traced in respect of such balances
- 2 the additional expenditure incurred with the Insurer’s prior consent in tracing and establishing customers’ debit balances after the Damage
- 3 the reasonable charges payable by the Insured to their professional accountants for producing any particulars or details of any other proofs, information or evidence as may be required by the Insurer under the terms of General Condition 6 of this Policy and reporting that such particulars or details are in accordance with the Insured’s books of account or other business books or documents.

Provided that the Insurer’s liability during any one Period of Insurance shall not exceed the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

Extensions (Subject to the terms conditions exclusions and limits of this Section and the Policy)

Cover under this Section includes:

1 Work Done or Services Rendered

If during the Indemnity Period work is done or services are rendered elsewhere than at the Premises for the benefit of the Business either by the Insured or by others on the Insured’s behalf, the money paid or payable in respect of such work or services shall be brought into account in arriving at the Income during the Indemnity Period.

2 Auditors Fees

The Loss of Income Sum Insured includes the reasonable charges payable by the Insured to their auditors for producing and certifying any particulars or details contained in the Insured’s books of account or vital proofs, information or evidence as may be required under the terms of General Condition 6 of this Policy.

3 Supply Undertakings

Loss as insured by this Section resulting from interruption of or interference with the Business in consequence of Damage covered under Section 1 Contents to property at any electricity station or sub-station, gas works or water works of the supply undertaking from which the Insured obtains electric current, gas or water.

4 Specified Illness

Loss as a direct result of:

- a any occurrence of a Specified Illness at the Premises or attributable to food or drink supplied from the Premises
- b any discovery of an organism at the Premises likely to result in the occurrence of a Specified Illness
- c any occurrence of a Specified Illness within a radius of 25 miles of the Premises
- d any occurrence of Legionellosis at the Premises which causes restrictions on the use of the Premises on the order or advice of the competent local authority
- e the discovery of vermin or pests at the Premises which causes restrictions on the use of the Premises on the order or advice of the competent local authority

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- f** any accident causing defects in the drains or other sanitary arrangements at the Premises which causes restrictions on the use of the Premises on the order or advice of the competent local authority.

Special Provisions

- 1** 'Specified Illness' shall mean illness sustained by any person resulting from:
- a** food or drink poisoning, or
 - b** Acute Encephalitis, Acute Poliomyelitis, Anthrax, Chickenpox, Cholera, Diphtheria, Dysentery, Leprosy, Leptospirosis, Malaria, Measles, Meningococcal Infection, Mumps, Ophthalmia Neonatorum, Paratyphoid Fever, Plague, Rabies, Rubella, Scarlet Fever, Smallpox, Tetanus, Tuberculosis, Typhoid Fever, Viral Hepatitis, Whooping Cough or Yellow Fever an outbreak of which the competent local authority has stipulated shall be notified to them.
- 2** 'Legionellosis' shall mean illness sustained by any person resulting from any discharge release or escape of legionella from water tanks, water systems, air-conditioning plants, cooling towers and the like at the Premises.
- 3** For the purpose of this Extension 'Indemnity Period' shall mean the period during which the results of the Business shall be affected in consequence of the Damage beginning:
- a** in the case of **4a**, **4b**, and **4c** above with the date of the occurrence or discovery
 - b** in the case of **4d**, **4e** and **4f** above with the date from which the restrictions on the Premises are applied and ending not later than 12 months thereafter.
- 4** The Insurer shall not be liable under this clause for any costs incurred in cleaning, repair, replacement, recall or checking of Property.
- 5** The Insurer shall only be liable for loss arising at the Premises which are directly subject to the incident.
- 6** The Insured in so far as it is reasonably practical shall ensure compliance with the Health and Safety Commissions Approved Code of Practice, "The Prevention and Control of Legionellosis (including Legionnaires Disease)" or any supplementary replacement or amending Code of Practice.
- 7** Notwithstanding Special Provision 4 the insurance by this Extension extends to include costs and expenses necessarily incurred with the Insurer's consent in:
- a** cleaning and decontamination of Property used by the Insured for the purpose of the Business (other than stock in trade)

- b** removal and disposal of contaminated stock in trade at or from the Premises, the use of which has been restricted on the order or advice of the competent local authority solely in consequence of the incident as defined above, provided that the Insurer's liability shall not exceed £5,000 in any one Period of Insurance, after the application of all other terms and conditions of this Section and of the Policy.

5 Records Removed and in Transit

The amount of any loss ascertained in accordance with the provisions of this Section resulting from Damage:

- a** in any premises within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands occupied by persons acting on the Insured's behalf and to which the Insured's books of accounts or other records are temporarily removed
- b** to the Insured's books of account or other business books or records whilst in transit within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

6 Subsidence, Ground Heave or Landslip

Loss as insured by this Section resulting from interruption of or interference with the Business in consequence of Damage caused by subsidence or ground heave of any part of the site on which the property stands, or landslip excluding:

- a** Damage resulting from:
 - i** the normal settlement or bedding down of new structures
 - ii** the settlement or movement of made-up ground
 - iii** coastal or river erosion
 - iv** defective design or workmanship or the use of defective materials
 - v** fire, subterranean fire, explosion, earthquake or escape of water from any tank, apparatus or pipe
- b** Damage which commenced prior to the inception of this Section
- c** Damage occurring as a result of demolition construction structural alteration or repair of any property or groundworks or excavation, all at the same Premises
- d** the first £1,000 of each loss at each separate Premises.

Special Condition – This Extension shall be avoided if the risk is increased by reason of demolition groundworks excavation or construction being carried out on the same or any adjoining site.

Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions of this Policy apply to this Section and in addition it does not cover:

- 1** deliberate falsification of business records
- 2** mislaying or misfiling of tapes
- 3** the deliberate act of the Electricity Authority in restricting or withholding electricity supply
- 4** wear and tear and gradual deterioration, vermin, rust, damp or mildew
- 5** the connivance of any employee.

Conditions

The Policy Conditions of this Policy except 13 and 14 apply to this Section and in addition:

1 Alteration

Unless the Insurer agrees in writing, cover under this Section shall automatically cease if during the Period of Insurance:

- a** the Business is wound up or carried on by a liquidator or receiver or permanently discontinued
- b** the interest of the Insured ceases other than by death.

2 First Financial Year

In the event of the loss occurring before the end of the first financial year of the Business the results of the Business to the date of the damage shall be used as a basis upon which to assess the loss, subject otherwise to all the terms and conditions of this Section.

3 Material Damage

It is a condition precedent to any liability under this Section (other than in respect of the prevention or hindrance of the use of the Premises) that there be in force an insurance covering the Insured's interest in the property at the Premises against such Damage and payment shall have been made or liability admitted under such insurance.

4 Computer System and Other Records

It is a condition precedent to liability that the Insured shall:

- a** back up computer system records daily
- b** keep duplicates of computer system records
- c** store records either in a fireproof cabinet or safe, or alternatively at other premises
- d** at the end of each month, record the total amount in their customers' account at that time.

5 Average

If the Loss of Income Sum Insured is less than the Annual Income, the amount payable will be proportionately reduced.

The amount of the Annual Income will be proportionately increased in accordance with the Maximum Indemnity Period.

Section 4 – Liabilities

Definitions

Act of Terrorism

Any act including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or threat thereof of any person or group(s) of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s) committed for political religious ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or put the public or any section of the public in fear.

Asbestos

Asbestos or fibres or particles of asbestos or any material containing asbestos.

Business

The business shown in the Schedule conducted solely from Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man which includes:

- a** the ownership, maintenance and repair of Premises used for the business
- b** the provision and management of canteens, social, sports or welfare organisations for the benefit of Employees and the Insured's ambulance, first aid and fire services
- c** the execution of private duties by Employees of the Insured for any partner, director or senior official of the Insured.

Employee

- a** Any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with the Insured
- b** Any of the following persons whilst working for the Insured in connection with the Business:
 - i** any self-employed person providing labour only
 - ii** any person who is borrowed or hired by the Insured
 - iii** any trainee or person undergoing work experience.
 - iv** any voluntary helper

Geographical Limits

- a** Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.
- b** any other member of the European Union.
- c** elsewhere in the world in respect of Injury or Damage caused by or arising from non-manual activities of any person normally resident within the territories specified in part **a** of this Definition and occurring during any journey or temporary visit.

Injury

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

Limit of Indemnity

The Limit of Indemnity stated in the Schedule.

Offshore Installations

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

Pollution or Contamination

- a** all pollution or contamination of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere and
- b** all Injury, loss or damage directly or indirectly caused by such pollution or contamination.

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

Products

Any goods or other property sold, supplied, delivered, installed, erected, repaired, administered, altered, treated or tested by the Insured in connection with the Business and not in the Insured's charge or control.

Cover

Event 1 – Employers’ Liability

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured against legal liability to pay compensation and claimants costs and expenses in respect of Injury sustained by any Employee arising out of and in the course of the employment or engagement of such person by the Insured in connection with the Business and caused within the Geographical Limits during the Period of Insurance provided that any action for compensation in respect of such Injury is brought in a Court of Law within a member country of the European Union.

Event 2 – Public Liability

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured against legal liability to pay compensation and claimants costs and expenses in respect of accidental:

- A Injury to any person except as provided under Event 1 – Employers’ Liability**
- B Damage to material property**
- C nuisance, trespass or interference with any easement or right of way, light, air or water resulting in financial loss**

occurring within the Geographical Limits during the Period of Insurance in connection with the Business.

Costs and Expenses

The Insurer will pay costs and expenses incurred by it or with its written consent:

- a** in connection with the defence of any claim
- b** for representation of the Insured:
 - i** at any Coroner’s Inquest or Fatal Accident Inquiry in respect of death
 - ii** at proceedings in any Court of Summary Jurisdiction or on indictment in any higher Court in respect of any alleged breach of statutory duty resulting in Injury or Damage

which may be the subject of indemnity under this Section.

Limits of Indemnity

- a** Under Event 1 – Employers’ Liability the Insurer’s liability for all compensation costs and expenses payable in respect of any one claim or series of claims arising out of one occurrence shall not exceed the limit stated in the Schedule.

- b** Under Event 2 – Public Liability the Insurer’s liability for all compensation and claimants costs and expenses payable in respect of:
 - i** any one claim or series of claims arising out of one occurrence
 - ii** all claims arising from Pollution or Contamination which is deemed to have occurred during any one Period of Insurance shall not exceed the limit stated in the Schedule.
- c** Under Event 2 – Public Liability in respect of claims against the Insured made within the legal jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada or any dependency or trust territory the Limit of Indemnity shall be inclusive of the amount of all:
 - i** claimants costs and expenses
 - ii** costs and expenses incurred by the Insurer or with its written consent in connection with the defence of such claims.
- d** Under Event 1 – Employers’ Liability the Insurer’s liability shall not exceed £5,000,000 in respect of an Act of Terrorism.
- e** Under Event 2 – Public Liability the Insurer’s liability shall not exceed the limit of indemnity shown in the Schedule or £5,000,000 (whichever is the lesser) in respect of an Act of Terrorism.
- f** in respect of the indemnity provided under this Section for Extension 9 – Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 – Legal Defence Costs:
 - i** the Insurer’s liability shall not exceed £5,000,000 or the Limit of Indemnity (whichever is lesser) in any one Period of Insurance
 - ii** all amounts payable will form part of and not be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity
 - iii** where the Insurer has already indemnified the Insured in respect of legal costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defence of criminal proceedings (including appeals against conviction arising from such proceedings) arising out of the same cause or occurrence which gave rise to said proceedings under another Section of the Policy the amount paid under that Section shall contribute to the maximum amount payable under this Section.

If the Insurer alleges that by reason of limitation **d** and **e** any Damage cost or expenses is not covered the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the Insured.

Section 4 – Liabilities (continued)

Extensions (Subject to the terms conditions exclusions and limits of this Section and the Policy)

1 Personal and Guest's Effects

Exclusion 2 of this Section shall not apply to personal effects or vehicles belonging to any partner, director, Employee, guest or visitor of the Insured.

2 Leased, Rented or Hired Premises

Exclusion 2 of this Section shall not apply to premises (including their fixtures and fittings) leased, rented or hired to the Insured except where liability attaches to the Insured solely under the terms of any tenancy or other agreement.

3 Indemnity to Other Parties

If the Insured so requests the Insurer will indemnify the following parties:

- a any officer or committee member or other member of the Insured's canteen, social, sports or welfare organisations or ambulance, first aid or fire services against liability incurred in such capacity
- b any of the Insured's partners, directors or Employees against liability incurred in such capacity and in respect of which the Insured would have been entitled to indemnity under this Section if the claim had been made against the Insured

as though each such party was individually named as the Insured in this Section

- c any principal for whom the Insured is carrying out any work under any contract or agreement against liability arising out of the performance of such work by the Insured and in respect of which the Insured would have been entitled to indemnity under this Section if the claim had been made against the Insured but only to the extent required by the terms and conditions of such contract or agreement.

Provided that:

- i any person claiming indemnity shall observe fulfil and be subject to the terms and conditions of this Section and the Policy Conditions in so far as they can apply
- ii the Insurer's liability to the Insured and all parties indemnified shall not exceed in total the Limit of Indemnity shown in the Schedule.

4 Health and Safety at Work – Legal Defence costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured (and if they so request any of their partners, directors or Employees) subject to the terms of this Section in respect of:

- a costs and expenses incurred with the Insurer's written consent
- b costs and expenses of the prosecution awarded against any such party

in connection with criminal proceedings or an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings brought in respect of any offence under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 or the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 alleged to have been committed during the Period of Insurance in connection with the Business.

Provided that:

- 1 The Insurer shall have the absolute conduct and control of all the said proceedings and appeals.
- 2 The Insurer will not pay for:
 - a fines or penalties of any kind
 - b proceedings or appeals in respect of any deliberate or intentionally criminal act or omission
 - c costs or expenses insured by any other policy.

5 Contingent Motor Liability

Exclusion 4ai of this Section shall not apply to liability arising out of the use in connection with the Business of any vehicle not owned, provided or being driven by the Insured:

- a but this does not cover any such liability:
 - i in respect of Damage to the said vehicle
 - ii arising out of any such use in any country outside the European Union
 - iii incurred by any party other than the Insured and Extension 3 shall not apply
- b For the purposes only of this Extension paragraph A of Event 2 – Public Liability shall read Injury to any person.

6 Joint Insured – Cross Liabilities

If more than one party is named as the Insured in the Schedule, this Section shall apply as though each was insured separately, provided that the Insurer's liabilities to all parties indemnified shall not exceed in total the Limit of Indemnity shown in the Schedule.

7 Unsatisfied Court Judgements

If a judgement for compensation or costs in respect of Injury sustained by any Employee arising out of and in the course of employment or engagement by the Insured in connection with the Business and caused within the Geographical Limits during the Period of Insurance:

- a** is obtained by such Employee in any Court situate in the territories specified in Geographical Limits **a** against any person or corporate body domiciled or operating from premises within such territories and
- b** remains wholly or partly unsatisfied 6 months after the date of such judgement.

The Insurer will if the Insured requests pay to the said Employee the amount of any such compensation and costs to the extent that they remain unsatisfied.

Provided that:

- i** there is no appeal outstanding
- ii** the Employee shall have assigned the judgement to the Insurer.

8 Additional Extensions

Exclusion **6** of this Section shall not apply to liability arising out of:

- a** any Products connected with:
 - i** the provision and management of canteens, social, sports or welfare organisations for the benefit of Employees and the Insured's ambulance, first aid and fire services
 - ii** the execution of private duties by Employees of the Insured for any partner, director or senior official of the Insured
- b** any food or drink supplied to partners, directors, Employees or guests of the Insured
- c** any premises disposed of by the Insured to which Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972 or Section 5 of the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 applies
- d** the disposal of furniture and office equipment originally intended solely for use by the Insured in connection with the Business and which is no longer required for that purpose.

The Insurer will not pay for:

- i** any liability which attaches to the Insured solely under the terms of an agreement other than:
 - a** under any warranty of goods implied by law
 - b** under any indemnity clause in any agreement between the Insured and any independent carrier in respect of Injury or Damage caused by Products entrusted to such carrier for transit by road, rail or waterway

- ii** any Product installed or incorporated in any craft designed to travel in or through air or space and which to the Insured's knowledge was intended to be installed or incorporated in any such craft
- iii** any claim made against the Insured in any country outside the European Union in which the Insured occupy premises or are represented by any resident Employee or holder of their Power of Attorney
- iv** liability in respect of Damage caused by or arising from Products exported by the Insured or with the Insured's knowledge to the United States of America or Canada.

9 Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 – Legal Defence Costs

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in respect of:

- a** legal costs and expenses incurred with the prior written consent of the Insurer and
- b** costs of the prosecution awarded against the Insured

in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings (including any appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings) brought under The Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 or any equivalent legislation in the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man in respect of any fatal injury sustained and caused during the Period of Insurance in the course of the Business and which may be subject to indemnity under this Section.

Provided that the Insurer agrees details of the specific solicitor or counsel who are to act on behalf of the Insured prior to their appointment.

The Insurer will not pay for:

- i** any fines or penalties imposed on the Insured or the cost of implementing any remedial order or publicity order
- ii** legal costs and expenses in connection with an appeal unless a solicitor or counsel advise that there are strong prospects of succeeding in the appeal or recovering costs awarded against the Insured at all times throughout the appeals process. Any change to such prospect of success during the appeals process may result in cover being removed
- iii** costs and expenses provided by another source or any other insurance or where but for the existence of this Extension would have been provided by such source or insurance

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- iv costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings brought in any country other than the Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man
- v costs and expenses in connection with the defence of any criminal proceedings resulting from any deliberate or intentional criminal act or omission by the Insured or any partner or director of the Insured or any Employee.

10 Court Attendance Compensation

If during the Period of Insurance any partner director or Employee of the Insured is required to attend court as a witness at the request of the Insurer in connection with a claim which is the subject of indemnity under this Section the Insurer will pay compensation to the Insured on the following scale for each day that attendance is required:

any director or partner **£750**

any Employee **£250**

11 Defective Premises Act 1972

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in the terms of this Section against liability incurred by the Insured under Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972 or Section 5 of the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 in connection with premises or land disposed of by the Insured.

This Extension does not cover:

- a the cost of rectifying any Damage or defect in the premises or land disposed of
- b liability for which the Insured is entitled to indemnity under any other insurance.
- c liability arising out of the presence of Asbestos.

Exclusions

In respect of Event 1 – Employers' Liability, Policy Exclusion 3 of this Policy and the following Exclusions 11 and 12 apply to this Section.

In respect of Event 2 – Public Liability, Policy Exclusions 2, 3 and 10 of this Policy and the following Exclusions 1 to 11 and 13 apply to this Section.

This Section does not cover:

- 1 any liability in respect of:
 - a fines, penalties or liquidated damages
 - b aggravated, punitive or exemplary damages or any damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages
- 2 liability in respect of Damage to any property belonging to or in the charge or the control of the Insured.
- 3 any liability in respect of:
 - a Damage to any goods or other property sold, supplied, delivered, installed or erected by the Insured
 - b all costs of or arising from the need for making good, removal, repair, rectification, replacement or recall of
 - i any such goods or other property
 - ii any defective work executed by the Insured.

Provided that Exclusions **3a** and **3bi** shall not apply to liability in respect of Damage to said goods or other property if such Damage is caused by or arises from any alteration, repair or servicing work executed by the Insured under a separate contract

- 4 any liability arising out of the ownership, possession or use by the Insured or on their behalf of:
 - a any mechanically propelled vehicle or trailer attached thereto:
 - i whilst on any road within the meaning of the Road Traffic Acts or other road traffic legislation, excepting liability arising out of the operation as a tool of any mechanical plant
 - ii if such liability is insured by any other policy or is required by any traffic legislation to be the subject of compulsory insurance or other security
 - b any aircraft or other aerial device made or intended to travel through air or space
 - c any water-borne vessel or craft other than
 - i those used for business entertainment purposes within inland waters

- ii hand propelled or sailing watercraft whilst within inland waters and not exceeding 75 feet in length
- 5 any liability for Injury, loss or damage arising out of or in connection with advice, design, formula, specification, inspection, certification or testing provided or performed for a fee by or on behalf of the Insured
- 6 any liability in respect of Injury or Damage caused by or arising from Products
- 7 any liability in respect of:
 - a Pollution or Contamination occurring in the United States of America or Canada or any dependency or trust territory
 - b Pollution or Contamination occurring elsewhere unless 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
- 8 any liability which is insured by or would but for the existence of this Section be insured by any other policy except in respect of any excess beyond the amount payable under such other section had this insurance not been effected
- 9 liability arising from or as a consequence of any breach of professional duty or any error or omission in any medical advice, examination, prescription or treatment given by the Insured
- 10 liability caused by or arising from the making up, dispensing, sale, supply, prescription or exchange of any drugs, medicines, hypodermic needles or medical supplies or equipment of any kind
- 11 any liability in respect of Injury, loss or damage arising in connection with work on or travel to or from Offshore Installations
- 12 any liability in respect of Injury to any Employee arising out of the ownership possession or use by or on behalf of the Insured of any mechanically propelled vehicle or trailer attached thereto if such liability is required by any road traffic legislation to be the subject of compulsory insurance or other security
- 13 a Liability in any way caused by, arising from or contributed to by:
 - i exposure to or inhalation of Asbestos
 - ii fear of the consequences of exposure to or inhalation of Asbestos
- b Liability for the costs of management (including those of any persons under any statutory duty to manage), removal, repair, alteration, recall, replacement or reinstatement of any property arising out of the presence of Asbestos

Conditions

The Policy Conditions of this Policy except 3, 4, 13 and 14 apply to this Section and in addition:

1 Compulsory Insurance Legislation

The indemnity granted by this Section in respect of Injury to any Employee is deemed to be in accordance with the provisions of any law relating to compulsory insurance of liability to employees in the territories specified in Geographical Limits **a** but the Insured shall repay to the Insurer all sums paid by the Insurer which it would not have been liable to pay but for the provisions of such law.

2 Certificate of Employers' Liability

If this Policy or Section is cancelled any certificate of Employers' Liability insurance issued hereunder is similarly cancelled from the same date.

Section 5 – Commercial Legal Expenses

The cover provided under this Section is a “claims made” indemnity and only covers Claims that the Insured first notifies to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance.

Definitions

In addition to the Policy Definitions the following also apply to this Section:

Acts of Parliament

All Acts of Parliament referred to in this Section will include a reference to all Orders and Regulations made under them and to any subsequent amendments, re-enactments, equivalent legislation, Regulations or Codes of Practice, enforceable within the Geographical Limits.

Adjudication

Adjudication whether arising under the Housing Grant Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 or the Scheme or an adjudication arising out of any term in a Contract.

Any One Claim

All Claims including any appeal against a judgment or decision arising out of the same original cause, event or circumstance without the intervention of any other cause starting from a new and independent source will be regarded as one Claim.

Awards of Compensation

Basic Awards and Compensatory Awards made against the Insured by an Employment Tribunal, Employment Appeal Tribunal or Superior Court, or settlements agreed as a result of negotiation, conciliation or arbitration proceedings and to which the Insurer’s previous Consent has been given, other than:

- a** any awards of compensation against the Insured for a redundancy payment or monies due under a contract of employment or
- b** any award arising from a failure by the Insured to provide written reasons for dismissal or
- c** any award or pay specified in a reinstatement or re-engagement order or
- d** any financial benefit or compensation payable under any share option scheme or pension scheme.

Basic Awards

Basic Awards are as determined in accordance with section 119 of the Employment Rights Act 1996. For the avoidance of doubt Basic Awards do not include Additional Awards, Protective Awards, Aggravated Damages or Interim Relief.

Claim

Cover Event 1a Employment Disputes and 1b Awards of Compensation

An application to an Employment Tribunal brought by or on behalf of any Employee against the Insured for monetary damages or other relief, including a request for reinstatement or re-engagement. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured first receives an Employee’s Claim Form (ET1) from an Employment Tribunal.

Cover Event 1c Employment Service Occupancy

A civil proceeding brought by the Insured for the pursuit of vacant possession of Premises belonging to the Insured and occupied by a previous Employee of the Insured. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, that a previous Employee has failed, or will fail, to vacate the Premises at the termination date of that Employee’s contract of employment, resulting in provable financial loss to the Insured.

Cover Event 1d Breach of Restrictive Covenant

A civil proceeding brought by the Insured following an actual breach by a previous Employee of an express restrictive covenant in that previous Employee’s contract of employment in respect of Employees or customers of the Insured. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, that a previous Employee has breached such an express restrictive covenant, resulting in provable financial loss to the Insured.

Cover Event 2 Taxation Proceedings

An HMRC Investigation. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured or the Insured’s accountant is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, that an HMRC Investigation will occur.

Cover Event 3 Criminal Prosecution Defence

A criminal prosecution brought against the Insured Person. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured Person is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, that criminal proceedings have been, or are to be, issued against that Insured Person.

Cover Event 4 Damage to Premises

A civil proceeding brought by the Insured. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, of actual physical damage caused to the Premises by an identifiable party resulting in provable financial loss to the Insured.

Cover Event 5 Data Protection

A civil proceeding brought against the Insured Person under Data Protection legislation. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured Person first receives:

- a** a writ, summons or similar pleading for injunctive or non-pecuniary relief, third party proceeding, or counterclaim or
- b** written notification from the Information Commissioner of a refusal of the Insured Person's application for registration or an alteration to the Insured Person's registration particulars or
- c** an Enforcement, De-registration or Transfer Prohibition Notice from the Information Commissioner.

Cover Event 6 Commercial Tenancy Agreement

A civil proceeding brought by the Insured. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, of a breach of the Insured's Commercial Tenancy Agreement by the other party to that agreement.

Cover Event 7 Statutory Licence Appeal

An appeal by the Insured Person against a decision by a licensing or regulatory authority to suspend, revoke, alter or refuse to renew the Insured Person's Statutory Licence. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured Person first receives notification from the relevant licensing or regulatory authority of their intention to suspend, revoke, alter or refuse renewal of the Insured Person's Statutory Licence. The Insurer will only begin providing indemnity from the time that a Claim has been accepted following the receipt by the Insured Person of written confirmation from the relevant licensing or regulatory authority of the decision to suspend, revoke, alter or refuse renewal of the Insured Person's Statutory Licence.

Cover Event 8 Pension Trustee Defence

A civil proceeding brought against the Insured Person. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured Person is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, of the intention of an Employee to hold the Insured Person responsible for any actual or alleged failure to fulfil their obligations as a trustee of a pension fund set up for the benefit of the Insured's Employees.

Cover Event 9 Employee's Civil Defence

A civil proceeding brought against an Employee. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured Person is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, of an event arising from his or her work as an Employee that could lead to civil action being taken against him or her under legislation for unlawful discrimination on the grounds of sex, sexual orientation, race, disability, age, religious belief, political opinion or any other discrimination identified by Acts of Parliament.

Cover Event 10 Personal Injury

A civil proceeding brought by the Insured Person for monetary damages. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured Person suffers death or bodily injury.

Cover Event 11 Jury Service Allowance

The circumstances that give rise to a Claim for Jury Service Allowance will begin immediately the Insured first knows, or should have known, that they have suffered proven financial loss as a result of a proprietor, partner, director or Employee of the Insured having been absent from work as a result of attendance for jury service.

Cover Event 12 Contract Disputes – Below Small Claims Limit

A civil proceeding brought by or against the Insured for monetary damages or other relief. The circumstances that give rise to a Claim will begin immediately the Insured:

- a** is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, of an actual or alleged breach of a Contract by another party to that Contract or
- b** is first aware, or should reasonably have been aware, of the intention of another party to a Contract to hold the Insured responsible for any actual or alleged breach of that Contract.

Compensatory Awards

Compensatory Awards are the amounts awarded at the discretion of an Employment Tribunal, Employment Appeal Tribunal or Superior Court intended to compensate for loss of earnings and benefits. For the avoidance of doubt Compensatory Awards do not include Additional Awards, Protective Awards, Aggravated Damages or Interim Relief.

Commercial Tenancy Agreement

A written agreement under which the Insured:

- a** lets the Premises to a Commercial Tenant; or
- b** occupies the Premises as a Commercial Tenant in connection with the Business and in return for the payment of rent.

Commercial Tenant

The tenant named in the Commercial Tenancy Agreement who occupies the Premises for non-residential purposes.

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Contract

An actual or alleged contract, whether verbal or in writing and to which the Insured is a party, for the sale, purchase, hire, service, supply or repair of goods or for the supply or purchase of a service. A Contract does not include any actual or alleged contract with an Employee or any contract of service entered into between the Insured and any sub-contractor or with anyone who is self-employed.

Data Protection Compensation Awards

Compensation awarded under the terms of section 13 of the Data Protection Act 1998 against the Insured for the holding, loss or unauthorised disclosure of data.

Debt Recovery Service

The debt collection service nominated by the Insurer which is provided as an Additional Service to the Insured for the recovery of Undisputed Debts.

Employee

Any person under a permanent full or permanent part time contract of service or apprenticeship with the Insured.

Excess

The amount specified in the Exclusions that the Insured Person must first pay in respect of Any One Claim under this Section before the Insurer then becomes liable to make payment under that Claim.

Geographical Limits – (Events 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 & 12)

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

Geographical Limits – (Event 10 only)

Any member country of the European Union and Croatia, Iceland, Norway and Switzerland.

HMRC

HM Revenue & Customs.

HMRC Investigation

a Business Self Assessment Aspect Enquiry

An enquiry following the issue of a formal written notice by HMRC under Paragraph 24(1) Schedule 18 Finance Act 1998 or S9A or S12AC of the Taxes Management Act 1970 in order to make an enquiry into one or more specific aspects of the Insured's business self assessment return or

b Business Self Assessment Full Enquiry

An enquiry following the issue of a formal written notice by HMRC under Paragraph 24(1) Schedule 18 Finance Act 1998 or under S9A or S12AC of the Taxes Management Act 1970 to examine the whole of the Insured's business self assessment return or

c Employer Compliance Dispute

A dispute which takes place following a formal written expression of dissatisfaction with the Insured's PAYE, National Insurance Contributions or Construction Industry Scheme affairs following an employer compliance check by HMRC or following a formal written expression of dissatisfaction with the Insured's P11Ds or P9Ds or

d VAT Dispute

A dispute which takes place following:

- i a VAT compliance check where a written decision, assessment or statement of alleged arrears is received from HMRC in respect of the Insured's Value Added Tax Return or
- ii the receipt by the Insured of a formal written notice of VAT default surcharge.

Insured Person

The Insured and, at the request of the Insured with the agreement of the Insurer, the Insured's proprietors, partners and directors and also all Employees acting in the normal course of their employment.

Insurer

Allianz Legal Protection a trading name of Allianz Insurance plc.

Jury Service Allowance

The payment of up to £100 per day to the Insured in respect of an Insured Person who is absent from work as a result of their attendance for jury service within the Geographical Limits, but only in so far as this is not otherwise recoverable from the relevant court and payment of such sum has been made by the Insured to the Insured Person under any contract of employment. The amount that the Insurer will pay is based on:

- a the time the Insured Person is off work including the time it takes to travel to and from the court. This will be calculated to the nearest half day assuming that a whole day is 8 hours
- b if the Insured Person works full time, the salary or wages for each day equals 1/250th of the Insured Person's annual salary or wages
- c if the Insured Person works part time, the salary or wages will be a proportion of the Insured Person's weekly salary or wages.

Lawphone Legal Helpline

A telephone advisory service provided by the Insurer:

- a to advise the Insured on Business related legal matters and
- b for the Insured to report all Claims under this Section to the Insurer.

Legal Expenses

Fees and Expenses

- a** any unrecovered professional fees, expenses or other disbursements reasonably and properly incurred by the Legal Representative on the Standard Basis and up to the Guideline Hourly Rates issued by the Senior Courts Costs Office, as may be agreed and confirmed by the written consent of the Insurer in respect of any Claim, including costs and expenses of expert witnesses and those incurred by the Insurer in connection with such Claim
- b** any costs incurred by other parties, insofar as the Insured Person is held liable in a civil court or tribunal to pay such costs or under a settlement made with another party with the Insurer's consent, but excluding any costs which the Insured Person may be ordered to pay by a court of criminal jurisdiction
- c** any unrecovered professional fees, expenses or other disbursements reasonably and properly incurred by the Legal Representative on the Standard Basis and up to the Guideline Hourly Rates issued by the Senior Courts Costs Office, as may be agreed and confirmed by the written consent of the Insurer in an appeal, or in resisting an appeal, against the judgment of a relevant court or tribunal
- d** any unrecovered professional fees, expenses or other disbursements reasonably and properly incurred by the Legal Representative on the Standard Basis and up to the Guideline Hourly Rates issued by the Senior Courts Costs Office, or in such amounts, as may be agreed and confirmed by the written consent of the Insurer where it is necessary for an accountant to represent the Insured in connection with any Claim relating to an HMRC Investigation or subsequent appeal, but excluding any tax or interest and penalties demanded, assessed or requested by HMRC.

Legal Representative

A solicitor, barrister, accountant or any other appropriately qualified person appointed in the name of and on behalf of the Insured Person with the agreement of the Insurer to act for the Insured Person in accordance with the terms of this Section.

Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome

- a** In civil proceedings Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome only exist if the Legal Representative advises that the Insured Person is more likely than not to succeed, assuming the case was determined at trial or other final hearing at first instance and the likely damages claimed and recovered by or against the Insured Person will exceed the Insured Person's own likely Legal Expenses
- b** In criminal proceedings Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome only exist if:
 - i** the Insured Person is more likely than not to succeed in defending the prosecution assuming the case was determined at trial or other final hearing at first instance or
 - ii** the Insured Person is more likely than not to succeed in a significant mitigation of their sentence or fine where the Insured Person intends to plead guilty to the offence, or is advised to do so by the Legal Representative
- c** In an Employer Compliance Dispute or VAT Dispute and in all appeals following an HMRC Investigation Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome only exist if the Insured is more likely than not to succeed in reversing the decision made or reducing the liabilities alleged by HMRC.

Small Claims Court

- a** A court in England & Wales that hears a Claim falling under the small claims track in the County Court as defined by Section 26.6 (1) of the Civil Procedure Rules 1999 or
- b** A Sheriff Court in Scotland that hears a small claim or
- c** A Small Claims Court in Northern Ireland or
- d** Any equivalent Court that hears a small claim under Event 12 elsewhere within the Geographical Limits.

Small Claims Limit

The maximum value of a Claim that can be heard in the Small Claims Court as shown in the Policy Schedule.

Standard Basis

The assessment of Legal Expenses which are proportionate to the Insured Person's Claim.

Statutory Licence

A licence or certificate of registration issued under statute, statutory instrument or by a Government or local authority to the Insured Person and which is required to enable the Insured Person to carry on the normal activities of the Business.

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Tax Avoidance Scheme

Any matter which is notifiable to HMRC under the regulations for Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes (DOTAS).

Undisputed Debt

Money and interest that has not been paid to the Insured under the terms of a Contract, in respect of which the other party to that Contract would not, in the opinion of the Debt Recovery Service or the Insurer, have a realistic chance of succeeding in the defence of any legal action taken in respect of the amount due.

Witness Attendance Allowance

The payment of up to £100 per day to the Insured in respect of the Insured Person who is absent from work as a result of their attending as a witness for the Insured at a hearing, court, tribunal or arbitration within the Geographical Limits at the request of the Legal Representative with the Insurer's written consent of, but only in so far as this is not otherwise recoverable from the relevant hearing, court, tribunal or arbitration. The amount that the Insurer will pay is based on:

- a the time the Insured Person is off work including the time it takes to travel to and from the hearing, court, tribunal or arbitration. This will be calculated to the nearest half day assuming that a whole day is 8 hours
- b if the Insured Person works full time, the salary or wages for each day equals 1/250th of the Insured Person's annual salary or wages
- c if the Insured Person works part time, the salary or wages will be a proportion of the Insured Person's weekly salary or wages.

Limit of Indemnity

The maximum amount the Insurer is liable to pay under this Section is:

- 1 £100,000 Any One Claim other than a Claim relating to a Business Self Assessment Aspect Enquiry under Event 2 Taxation Proceedings, Event 11 Jury Service Allowance, Event 12 Contract Disputes – Below Small Claims Limit and Witness Attendance Allowance
- 2 £2,000 Any One Claim relating to a Business Self Assessment Aspect Enquiry under Event 2 Taxation Proceedings
- 3 £5,000 Any One Claim relating to Event 11 Jury Service Allowance
- 4 £50,000 Any One Claim relating to Event 12 Contract Disputes – Below Small Claims Limit
- 5 £5,000 Any One Claim relating to Witness Attendance Allowance

- 6 £1,000,000 for all Claims first notified to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance

(collectively "the Limit of Indemnity")

The above amounts are all inclusive of Legal Expenses.

Cover

The Insurer agrees to pay up to the Limit of Indemnity and on behalf of the Insured Person, Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance and Witness Attendance Allowance incurred by the Insured Person in the pursuit or defence of any Claim brought within the Geographical Limits, which is first notified to the Insurer during the Period of Insurance and which falls within the cover provided by Events 1 to 12 described below.

Events (as shown in the Policy Schedule)

1 Employment Disputes and Awards of Compensation

The Insured has cover for:

a Employment Disputes

the defence of the legal rights of the Insured in a dispute in an Employment Tribunal with a previous, present or prospective Employee and which arises out of or relates to a contract of employment or a breach of employment or discrimination legislation

b Awards of Compensation

c Employment Service Occupancy

the pursuit of a previous Employee to recover possession of Premises belonging to the Insured and occupied for residential purposes by that previous Employee provided that:

- i the occupation of the Property by the previous Employee was conditional on their employment by the Insured and was specifically included as part of the remuneration within that previous Employee's contract of employment and
- ii the previous Employee's contract of employment has terminated and any notice period has been completed (whether notice of resignation or notice of dismissal and including where the Employee was placed on leave by the Insured for the whole, or part, of that notice period) and
- iii the date of termination of the previous Employee's contract of employment was not before the date this Section started

d Breach of Restrictive Covenant

the pursuit of an injunction against a previous Employee following a breach of an express restrictive covenant in that Employee's contract of employment with the Insured, where the previous Employee has:

- i** solicited other Employees of the Insured or
- ii** solicited customers of the Insured, resulting in proven financial loss to the Insured

Provided that for all Claims made under Event 1:

- a** the Insured has issued all necessary documentation to an Employee as required by legislation
- b** the Insured has consulted with and then followed with due diligence the advice and procedures provided by the Lawphone Legal Helpline before making any significant variation to an Employee's contract or taking any action which might lead to the giving of a formal warning to, or the dismissal of, an Employee
- c** the Insured has consulted with the Lawphone Legal Helpline immediately the Insured knew, or ought reasonably to have known, of any cause, event or circumstance which has given or may give rise to a Claim involving the Insured

In respect of all parts of Event 1 – Employment Disputes and Awards of Compensation there is no cover for:

- a** any Claim arising as a result of the Insured's failure to consult with and then follow with due diligence the advice and procedures provided by the Lawphone Legal Helpline before making any significant variation to an Employee's contract or taking any action which leads to the giving of a formal warning to, or the dismissal of, an Employee
- b** any dispute with an Employee who was subject to either a written or verbal warning (formal or informal) in the 6 months immediately preceding the first Period of Insurance
- c** any dispute which necessitates the establishment of a transfer of employment under the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 or the Acquired Rights Directive or a breach, or alleged breach, of either
- d** any dispute arising out of any contract of service entered into between the Insured and any sub-contractor or with anyone who is self-employed
- e** any dispute based upon, arising from or in consequence of any industrial dispute, industrial or labour arbitration or collective bargaining agreements

- f** any costs or expenses incurred by the Insured arising out of an internal disciplinary hearing or grievance relating to an Employee

In respect of Event 1c – Employment Service Occupancy there is no cover for the defence of the Insured's legal rights, other than to defend a counter-claim.

In respect of Event 1d – Breach of Restrictive Covenant there is no cover for any dispute with any individual who before the inception of this Section either ceased to be an Employee, or was working during their notice period (whether notice of resignation or notice of dismissal and including where the Employee was placed on leave by the Insured for the whole, or part, of that notice period).

2 Taxation Proceedings

The Insured has cover for representation of the Insured in an HMRC Investigation, and in any appeal proceedings arising from that HMRC Investigation.

Provided that:

- a** the HMRC Investigation arises out of the Business and
- b** the Insured has kept accurate business records in accordance with any relevant tax requirements and
- c** all relevant tax returns have been filed on time and
- d** Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome exist in respect of an Employer Compliance Dispute, VAT Dispute and in all appeals following an HMRC investigation

In respect of Event 2 – Taxation Proceedings there is no cover for:

- a** an Excess of £200 in respect of a Business Self Assessment Aspect Enquiry
- b** the preparation of accounts or self assessment returns
- c** an HMRC Investigation which arises out of:
 - i** deliberate or reckless or careless misstatements by the Insured in returns or submissions made to the relevant authorities
 - ii** failure by the Insured to make accurate, truthful and up to date submissions or returns or
 - iii** failure by the Insured to observe statutory time limits or requirements
- d** an HMRC Investigation which arises solely from an investigation of earlier accounts or records
- e** an enquiry under Public Notice 160 or Section 60 of the VAT Act 1994

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- f** any matter conducted by HMRC Specialist Investigations or conducted under the HMRC Civil Investigation of Fraud or Criminal Investigations procedures
- g** the defence of any criminal prosecution
- h** any matter arising from the failure of the Insured to register for PAYE, VAT, or the Construction Industry Scheme or to notify chargeability in relation to any tax within the relevant time limits
- i** any matter relating to a Tax Avoidance Scheme
- j** any matter relating to IR35 legislation
- k** an HMRC Investigation arising from the payment of the National Minimum Wage.

3 Criminal Prosecution Defence

The Insured Person has cover for the defence of a criminal prosecution.

Provided that the criminal prosecution arises out of the Business.

In respect of Event 3 – Criminal Prosecution Defence there is no cover for:

- a** criminal proceedings being brought against the Insured Person for:
 - i** fraud, theft, money laundering or other dishonesty
 - ii** offences against another person, including offences of a sexual nature
 - iii** the manufacture, distribution or use of alcohol, drugs, indecent or obscene materials
 - iv** owning, possessing, hiring or using aircraft, watercraft, motor vehicles, trailers or caravans
 - v** any investigation by HMRC
 - vi** pollution
- b** any costs awarded against the Insured Person by a court of criminal jurisdiction.

4 Damage to Premises

The Insured has cover for the pursuit of the legal rights of the Insured in a dispute relating to physical damage to the Insured's Premises caused by another person or organisation resulting in proven financial loss to the Insured.

Provided that the Premises are used solely for the Insured's Business.

In respect of Event 4 – Damage to Premises there is no cover for:

- a** any dispute arising from the actual or alleged performance of, or failure to perform, in whole or in part, an actual or alleged Contract between the Insured and a third party
- b** any dispute relating to mining or other subsidence or heave
- c** any dispute relating to planning or building regulations or decisions
- d** any dispute relating to the renewal of a lease or Commercial Tenancy Agreement
- e** any dispute over the freehold or leasehold or commonhold or title of the Premises
- f** Adjudication
- g** any dispute with Government or local authority departments concerning the imposition of rates or other local taxes
- h** any dispute relating to the ownership, possession, hiring or use of aircraft, watercraft, motor vehicles, trailers or caravans
- i** the defence of the Insured's legal rights other than in defending a counter-claim by the other party to the dispute.

5 Data Protection

The Insured has cover for:

- a** the defence of the legal rights of the Insured in a civil dispute arising out of the Data Protection Act 1998
- b** an appeal by the Insured against a refusal of an application for registration or alteration of registered particulars
- c** an appeal by the Insured against any Enforcement, Deregistration or Transfer Prohibition Notice
- d** Data Protection Compensation Awards.

In respect of Event 5 – Data Protection there is no cover for any dispute or legal proceeding:

- a** which relates to the prosecution of the Insured
- b** which arises from a failure to register as a Data Controller
- c** which arises from a failure to comply with any legislative requirement concerning the processing of Sensitive Personal Data.

6 Commercial Tenancy Agreement

The Insured has cover for the pursuit of the Insured's legal rights in a dispute relating to the Insured's Commercial Tenancy Agreement.

In respect of Event 6 – Commercial Tenancy Agreement there is no cover for:

- a** any dispute relating to rent or service charges, tax, planning or building regulations or decisions
- b** any dispute relating to the renewal of a lease or Commercial Tenancy Agreement
- c** any dispute arising from an agreement the Insured enters into to let the Premises for residential purposes
- d** any dispute over the freehold or leasehold or commonhold or title of the Premises
- e** Adjudication
- f** any dispute with Government or local authority departments concerning the imposition of rates or other local taxes
- g** the defence of the Insured's legal rights other than in defending a counter-claim by the other party to the Commercial Tenancy Agreement.

7 Statutory Licence Appeal

The Insured Person has cover to appeal to the relevant authority, court or tribunal following a decision made by such licensing or regulatory authority to suspend, revoke, alter or refuse to renew a Statutory Licence.

In respect of Event 7 – Statutory Licence Appeal there is no cover for:

- a** any appeal arising out of a hearing that took place because of a commercial decision made by the Insured Person in relation to the Business
- b** any appeal following a hearing that the Insured Person knew about, or should reasonably have known about, before this Section commences
- c** any appeal involving a Statutory Licence for which the Insured Person has made an appeal in the 12 months before this Section commences
- d** any disciplinary or internal procedures conducted by authorities charged with the regulation of the Insured Person in the performance of their normal Business activities, or for any appeal following such procedures
- e** the first application for, or application for the renewal of, the Insured Person's Statutory Licence
- f** any suspension, revocation, alteration or refusal to renew a Statutory Licence which is imposed by Acts of Parliament or national or local government regulation or order

- g** any appeal arising out of hearings relating in whole or in part to:
 - i** owning, driving or using a motor vehicle
 - ii** drug offences
 - iii** under age drinking or under age admission to Premises or
 - iv** allegations of sexual or indecent activities.

8 Pension Trustee Defence

The Insured Person has cover for the defence of their legal rights in civil proceedings arising from the Insured Person's capacity as a trustee of a pension fund set up for the benefit of Employees.

9 Employee's Civil Defence

The Insured Person has cover for the defence of their legal rights in civil proceedings arising from the Insured Person's work as an Employee under legislation for unlawful discrimination on the grounds of sex, sexual orientation, race, disability, age, religious belief, political opinion or any other discrimination identified by Acts of Parliament.

10 Personal Injury

The Insured Person has cover for the pursuit of their legal rights following an event which causes the Insured Person's death or bodily injury.

Provided that the death or bodily injury arises out of the Business

In respect of Event 10 – Personal Injury there is no cover for disputes between the Insured and the Insured Person.

11 Jury Service Allowance

The Insured has cover for Jury Service Allowance.

12 Contract Disputes – Below Small Claims Limit

The Insured has cover for the pursuit or defence of a dispute with a manufacturer or supplier or customer in respect of a Contract.

Provided that:

- a** the goods or services in question are supplied in connection with the normal Business activities of the Insured and
- b** the amount in dispute is more than £250 but equal to or less than the Small Claims Limit and
- c** the Claim is heard within a Small Claims Court and
- d** if the Insured is pursuing another party to the Contract for an amount of money and interest, that amount is not an Undisputed Debt.

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In respect of Event 12 – Contract Disputes – Below Small Claims Limit there is no cover for:

- a** the recovery of any Undisputed Debt other than where the other party to the Contract has indicated an intention to defend the Claim and that party has a realistic chance of defending the Claim
- b** the pursuit or defence of any Claim brought by or against the Insured Person caused by or arising from or in relation to professional services, advice or specification given by the Insured or on behalf of the Insured Person
- c** any dispute arising from or as a consequence of any breach or alleged breach of professional duty or any error or omission in any advice given by the Insured Person or on behalf of the Insured Person
- d** any dispute where a Claim is brought against the Insured caused by or arising from the provision of goods or services by the Insured relating to the construction, alteration or repair of any building, or part of that building, or structure
- e** any dispute relating to computer hardware, software, systems or services
- f** any arbitration unless wholly in accordance with the Arbitration Act 1996
- g** Adjudication
- h** any dispute in respect of assignment, bailment, bills of exchange, credit, insurance, securities or guarantee
- i** any dispute relating to a lease, licence or tenancy of land or buildings other than a dispute with a professional adviser in connection with the drafting of a lease, licence or Commercial Tenancy Agreement
- j** any dispute relating to the legal right of the Insured to own, occupy or use any land or building or any benefit or alleged benefit attaching to the land
- k** any dispute relating to the ownership, possession, hiring or use of motor vehicles
- l** any dispute arising out of the amount payable under an insurance policy.

Exclusions

In addition to the Policy Exclusions and the exclusions listed under each Event, the following apply to all Events of this Section.

- 1** In addition to any Excess specified within Events 1 and 3 to 12, a further Excess of £500 applies in respect of Any One Claim where the Insurer agrees to the Insured Person's request to appoint an alternative Legal Representative to the one chosen by the Insurer.
- 2** Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance incurred without the Insurer's written Consent.
- 3** Any Claim which does not arise from or relate to the Business, other than a Claim in respect of Jury Service Allowance.
- 4** Any Claim in respect of which the Insured Person is, or but for the existence of this Section would be, entitled to an indemnity or contribution under any other policy or certificate of insurance, service contract or membership, except for any excess beyond the amount which would have been covered under such other policy, certificate, service contract or membership.
- 5** Any Claim in respect of which the Insured Person is entitled to an indemnity or contribution under any other Section of this Policy.
- 6** Any Claim in respect of which the Insured Person is entitled to Legal Aid.
- 7** Any cause, event or circumstance occurring prior to or existing at the inception or on or after the renewal of this Section and which the Insured Person knew, or ought reasonably to have known, may give rise to a Claim by or against the Insured Person.
- 8** Any Claim arising out of a deliberate, conscious, intentional or reckless act by the Insured Person or where the Insured Person has shown wilful disregard for the need to take all reasonable steps to avoid, prevent and limit any such Claim.
- 9** Any Claim made, brought, commenced, continued or transferred outside of the Geographical Limits.
- 10** Any Claim where in the Insurer's opinion there are no Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome.
- 11** Fines or other penalties imposed by a court, tribunal or regulator, including any costs awarded against the Insured Person following criminal proceedings.
- 12** Any dispute between the Insured Person and the Insurer.

- 13** Any dispute between the Insured Person and the Legal Representative in respect of a Claim under this Section, or between the Insured and the provider of any Additional Service or telephone helpline available under this Section.
- 14** Any Claim relating to damage to goods in transit or goods lent or hired to third parties or goods at premises other than the Premises.
- 15** Any Claim arising from or relating to the operation of a franchise or distribution agreement.
- 16** Any dispute between individuals comprising the Insured or with any subsidiary, parent, associated or sister company or arising from a shareholding agreement, a partnership agreement or a trust.
- 17** Any Claim arising as a result of an allegation of libel or slander.
- 18** Any Claim relating to patents, copyrights, trademarks, merchandise marks, registered designs or other intellectual property, breach of secrecy or confidentiality, passing off action or restrictive covenants, other than as specified in Event 1d Breach of Restrictive Covenant.
- 19** Any Claim arising from or relating to an application for judicial review or other challenge to any legislation or proposed legislation.
- 20** Any Claim relating to any non-contracting party's right to enforce all or any part of this Section. The Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 does not apply to this Section.
- 21** Defending the Insured Person in any legal proceedings arising from:
- a** bodily injury, death, illness or disease (including psychiatric injury and stress) or
 - b** loss, destruction or damage to property or
 - c** alleged or actual breach of any duty owed as a director or officer of the Insured, other than as specified in Event 8 Pension Trustee Defence.
- 22** Any VAT attaching to Legal Expenses incurred with the Insurer's Consent which is recoverable by the Insured Person from elsewhere.

Conditions

In addition to the Policy Conditions, the following also apply to this Section:

A General Conditions

1 Change of Risk

It is a condition precedent to the liability of the Insurer to provide cover under this Section that the Insured must notify the Insurer in writing of any alteration during the Period of Insurance which would materially affect the Insurers assessment of the risk and that part of this insurance affected shall cease to be in force unless such alteration is agreed in writing by the Insurer. The Insurer shall have the right to amend the premium and the Insured will pay an additional premium to, or receive a refund of premium from, the Insurer as the case may be.

2 Arbitration

Any dispute between the Insured Person and the Insurer concerning this Section shall be referred to a single arbitrator who will be either a solicitor or barrister agreed upon by the parties or failing agreement one who is nominated by the President of the appropriate Law Society or by the Chairman of the Bar Council or appropriate professional body within the Geographical Limits. All the costs of the arbitration shall be met in full by the party against whom the decision is made. If the decision is not clearly made against one party the arbitrator will have the power to apportion costs. If the decision is made in the Insurer's favour, the Insured Person's costs will not be recoverable under this Section. The decision will be final and binding upon both the Insured Person and the Insurer and cannot be the subject of an appeal.

3 Maintenance of Records

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured has kept and maintained reasonable books and records. Where the Insured is a corporate organisation such books and records must have been kept in accordance with the Companies Acts.

4 Disclosure of the Existence of this Section

The Insured Person or the Legal Representative must not reveal the existence of this Section unless the Insurer has given written consent or is ordered to do so by a court.

5 Assignment

This Section may not be assigned by the Insured Person or by the Insured Person's executors or administrators.

Section 5 – Commercial Legal Expenses (continued)

B Claims Process Conditions

1 Notification of Claims

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insurer is notified in writing by the Insured Person by the completion of a claim form, or in another way confirmed by the Insurer to the Insured Person, immediately the Insured Person is, or should have been, aware of any cause, event or circumstance which has given or may give rise to a Claim involving the Insured Person.

If the Insured Person fails to notify the Insurer of such cause, event or circumstance during the Period of Insurance any Claim arising from that cause, event or circumstance will not be accepted. When such a notification has been given, the Insurer agrees to treat any subsequent Claim in respect of the cause, event or circumstance notified as though the Claim had been made, brought or commenced during the Period of Insurance.

Important procedure for Employment Disputes

If a **Claim Form (ET1)** is received from an Employment Tribunal the Insured must **immediately** complete a claim form and forward it to the Insurer, to arrive no later than 7 days after receipt of the **Claim Form (ET1). Response Form (ET3)**, which should be left blank, must also be sent.

2 Consent

It is a condition precedent to the liability of the Insurer to provide cover under this Section that consent to accept a claim and:

- a** incur Legal Expenses; and
- b** pay Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance

must first be obtained in writing from the Insurer ("Consent"). Consent will be given if the Insured Person can satisfy the Insurer that:

- a** there are Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome and
- b** in a particular case, it is reasonable for Legal Expenses to be incurred and/or a Claim in respect of Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards, Jury Service Allowance or Witness Attendance Allowance be accepted under this Section.

In reaching a decision on whether or not to give Consent the Insurer will seek the opinion of the Legal Representative.

If the Insurer and the Legal Representative are unable to agree on whether Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome exist, the Insurer will seek the opinion of any other legally qualified advisor or other expert appropriate to the Claim they feel it is necessary to consult in order to make their decision.

In all cases the Insured Person will be advised in writing of the granting or refusal of Consent.

3 Dealing with the Claim

If the Insurer grants Consent a Legal Representative will be instructed and will then act in accordance with Claims Process Condition 8.

The Insurer may withdraw Consent previously given at any time if facts become known which would mean that a particular Claim would not have been accepted under the terms of this Section or if there are no longer Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome. Provided there has been full compliance with the Section terms the Insurer agrees to indemnify the Insured Person in respect of Legal Expenses incurred up to the date when the Insurer notified the Insured Person that Consent had been withdrawn.

If the Insured Person decides to proceed with the pursuit or defence of a Claim to which the Insurer has refused to give Consent and is subsequently successful the Insurer will pay Legal Expenses as if the Insurer had given Consent at the outset.

4 Duty of the Insured Person to Minimise Claims

In respect of any Claim for which Consent has been granted under the Section the Insured Person must use best endeavours and take all reasonable measures to minimise the cost and effect of any Claim under this Section.

If the Insured Person fails to comply with this requirement then the Insurer will have the right to adjust the Insurer's liability under this Section to the extent that a Claim would have cost the Insurer had the Insured Person complied.

5 The Insurer's Right to Settle Claims

The Insurer shall have the right to take over and conduct in the name of the Insured Person any Claim at any time and can settle any Claim on behalf of the Insured Person on such terms as the Insurer deems appropriate. At its absolute discretion, the Insurer may decide to settle the Claim by paying the Insured Person the amount of damages claimed by, or against, the Insured Person instead of indemnifying the Insured Person for Legal Expenses or Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards or Witness Attendance Allowance. Where the Insurer exercises this discretion the Insurer will cease to be liable for any further Legal Expenses, Awards of Compensation, Data Protection Compensation Awards or Witness Attendance Allowance in respect of that Claim.

6 Insolvency of the Insured Person

During the course of any Claim to which the Insurer has given support, the Insurer has the right to withdraw that support immediately if the Insured Person

- a becomes insolvent (or commits an act of insolvency or bankruptcy) or
- b enters into liquidation or
- c makes an arrangement with creditors or
- d enters into a deed of arrangement or
- e has part or all of their affairs assets or property placed in the care or control of a receiver or a liquidator or
- f has an administration order over their affairs assets or property.

7 Appeal Procedure

If, following legal proceedings to which the Insurer has given Consent, the Insured Person wishes to appeal against the judgment or decision of a court or tribunal, it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to continue to provide cover under this Section that the grounds of such appeal must be submitted to the Insurer in good time and by secure means so that the Insurer may consider whether there are Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome in respect of the appeal and if so whether to Consent to such further action. The Insurer will inform the Insured Person and the Legal Representative of their decision.

If the Insurer requires it, the Insured Person will co-operate fully in an appeal against the judgment or decision of a court or tribunal.

8. Legal Proceedings

a Freedom to choose a Legal Representative

For any Claim where the Insurer may be liable to pay Awards of Compensation under Event 1 Employment Disputes and Awards of Compensation, or Data Protection Compensation Awards under Event 5 Data Protection, the Insurer will choose the Legal Representative.

For any other Claim the Insurer will choose the Legal Representative at any time before the Insurer agrees that legal proceedings need to be issued or defended. The Insured Person can only choose a Legal Representative if the Insurer agrees that legal proceedings need to be issued or defended or if a conflict of interest arises which means that the Legal Representative originally chosen by the Insurer cannot act for the Insured Person. The Insured Person must send the name and address of the Insured Person's chosen Legal Representative to the Insurer.

Other than where such a conflict of interest has arisen, if the Insurer agrees to appoint a Legal Representative that the Insured Person chooses, the Insured Person must pay a £500 Excess. The Insured Person must pay the Excess at the start of the Claim. If the Insurer agrees to appoint a Legal Representative that the Insured Person chooses, that Legal Representative will be appointed on the same terms as the Insurer would have appointed its' chosen Legal Representative.

In respect of any Claim for which the Insurer has granted Consent, the Legal Representative will be appointed in the name of and on behalf of the Insured Person to act for the Insured Person in accordance with the terms of this Section.

In agreeing to the selection of a Legal Representative the Insured Person will comply with Claims Process Condition 4.

The Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section will cease immediately with no liability to indemnify the Insured Person in any respect unless in its absolute discretion the Insurer agrees to another Legal Representative being appointed to continue acting for the Insured Person under the terms of this Section, if:

- i due to any conduct or failure to act by the Insured Person, the Legal Representative reasonably refuses to continue acting for the Insured Person or
- ii the Insured Person unreasonably dismisses the Legal Representative against the advice of the Legal Representative and without the Insurer's agreement.

b Disclosures to the Legal Representative

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person must give the Legal Representative all possible help and information including a complete and truthful account of the facts of the case and all relevant documentary or other evidence in the Insured Person's possession. The Insured Person must provide, obtain or execute all documents as necessary and attend meetings or conferences as requested.

c Access to Information

The Insurer is entitled to receive from the Legal Representative any information, document or advice in connection with any Claim, even if privileged. On request the Insured Person will give to the Legal Representative any instructions necessary to secure the required access.

Section 5 – Commercial Legal Expenses (continued)

d Obligations of the Insured Person and Legal Representative in relation to any Claim.

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that:

- i** The Insured Person and on their behalf the Legal Representative immediately notify the Insurer in writing of any information as soon as it is received which may affect the Insurer's opinion on the Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome of the Claim
- ii** The Insured Person and on their behalf the Legal Representative will inform the Insurer in writing as soon as any offer to settle a Claim is received or made or an offer of payment into Court is received. The Insured Person or the Legal Representative will under no circumstances enter into any agreement to settle without the Insurer's prior written consent. If, in the Insurer's opinion, the Insured Person unreasonably withholds agreement to settle, cover under this Section will cease immediately. The Insurer agrees to indemnify the Insured Person in respect of Legal Expenses incurred up to the date when cover ceased
- iii** The Insured Person and on their behalf the Legal Representative will report in writing the result of the Claim to the Insurer when it is finished.

e Payment of Legal Representative's Bills

The Insurer shall have the right to settle Legal Expenses at the conclusion of a Claim.

The Insured Person should forward all bills which are received from the Legal Representative relating to the Claim to the Insurer without delay following conclusion of the Claim. If the Insurer requires, the Insured Person must ask the Legal Representative to submit the bill of costs for audit or assessment by the appropriate court or, at the discretion of the Insurer, a law costs draughtsman or other competent party. The Insurer will only pay Legal Expenses that are determined as reasonable by the audit or assessment.

The Insured Person is responsible for the payment of all Legal Expenses. The Insurer may settle these direct if requested by the Insured Person to do so. The payment of some Legal Expenses does not imply that all Legal Expenses will be paid.

The Insured Person must not, without the Insurer's written consent, enter into any agreement with the Legal Representative as to the basis of calculation of Legal Expenses.

f Instruction of Counsel

If, during the course of any Claim (other than where Claims Process Condition 2 applies), the Insured Person or the Legal Representative considers it necessary and wishes to instruct counsel, counsel's name must first be submitted to the Insurer for Consent to the proposed instruction.

g Conduct of the Claim

It is a condition precedent to the Insurer's continuing liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person

- i** does not withdraw from a Claim or dismiss the Legal Representative without the written agreement of the Insurer and the Legal Representative
- ii** co-operates fully with the Legal Representative or the Insurer in the conduct of the Claim
- iii** follows the advice of the Legal Representative.

If the Insured Person fails to comply with either i, ii or iii then the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section will cease immediately and the Insurer will not be responsible for the payment of Legal Expenses, Compensatory Awards or Data Protection Compensation Awards and will be entitled to reimbursement of all Legal Expenses already incurred in respect of the Claim unless the Insurer agrees to appoint another Legal Representative to continue the Claim.

h Award of Costs

Where the Insured Person is awarded costs, it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability to provide cover under this Section that the Insured Person and the Legal Representative must take every reasonable step to recover Legal Expenses which would be or have been subject to payment under this Section. All such recoveries will be taken into account when calculating the Insurer's liability under this Section.

i Alternative Dispute Resolution

When, in the Insurer's opinion, alternative dispute resolution would appear to provide a more effective method of resolving any Claim, the Insurer may request that the Insured Person agrees to submit such Claim to a professional dispute resolution service, to be selected by the Insurer.

In considering alternative dispute resolution the Insured Person will comply with Claims Process Condition 4 and will not therefore unreasonably withhold Consent.

Communications

All notices and communications from the Insurer or the Insurer's representatives to the Insured Person will be deemed to have been duly sent if sent to the Insured Person's last known address or, in relation to any matters arising out of any Claim, if sent to the Legal Representative.

All notices and communication from the Insured Person to the Insurer should be sent to:

Allianz Legal Protection
2530 The Quadrant
Aztec West
Almondsbury
Bristol
BS32 4AW
United Kingdom
Telephone: **0370 243 4340**
Email: alpenquiries@allianz.co.uk

Additional Services

In addition to the indemnity provided by the Insurer in respect of Events 1 to 12, two further services are available to the Insured under this Section. The Insured may access these services at any time during the Period of Insurance, although the Insurer will not be liable to provide any indemnity in respect of legal costs or other expenses incurred by the Insured as a result of using either service.

1 Commercial Litigator Service - Contract Disputes above the Small Claims Limit in Great Britain

If the Insured is involved in a dispute arising out of a Contract (including a dispute over professional negligence in the delivery of services to the Insured) and wishes to pursue a legal action against another party to that Contract, the Insured has access to free legal advice to determine the merits of taking that action.

This service does not apply to disputes arising out of, or relating to:

- Libel or slander
- Debt recovery
- Employment contracts, partnerships or shareholdings
- Property (including intellectual property)
- Taxation, inheritance or trusts
- Insurance contracts

To make use of this service, the Insured should download a Litigation Assessment Form from:

www.allianzlegalprotection.co.uk/home/intermediaries/commercial-litigator.html

This form should be completed by the Insured and sent to the Insurer at:

The Underwriting Department
Allianz Legal Protection
2530 The Quadrant
Aztec West
Almondsbury
Bristol
BS32 4AW
Telephone: **0370 243 4340**

Fax: 01454 201 505

Email: commercial-litigator@allianz.co.uk

If the Insured is unable to download a Litigation Assessment Form, the Insured should contact the Insurer using the details above.

The Litigation Assessment Form will provide the Insured with a choice of Legal Representative to advise on the merits of taking legal action where the dispute will be pursued in England or Wales. If no choice is made by the Insured, or for all disputes that will be pursued in Scotland, the Insurer will choose the Legal Representative.

The Legal Representative will provide the Insured with a written assessment on the merits of pursuing the legal action. There will be no cost to the Insured for this written assessment provided that:

- a the legal action falls outside of the jurisdiction of the Small Claims Court and will be decided by a court within Great Britain and
- b the assessment requires no more than 7 hours of work from the Legal Representative and
- c the Legal Representative does not need to incur any expenses or other disbursements in order to produce the assessment and
- d the Insured has not previously received a legal opinion or taken any legal action in respect of the dispute.

If the Legal Representative needs to carry out more than 7 hours of work or needs to incur expenses or other disbursements in order to provide the Insured with the assessment, these costs will be payable by the Insured to the Legal Representative. The costs will be confirmed to, and agreed with, the Insured before the Legal Representative continues with the production of the assessment.

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If the Legal Representative and the Insurer agree that the Insured has reasonable prospects of successfully pursuing the dispute, the Insured will be given an option to enter into a legal action against the other party to the Contract. This legal action will be conducted under a separate agreement between the Insured and the Legal Representative

In conjunction with that separate agreement, the Insured will be offered a Commercial Litigator After the Event Insurance Policy to cover:

- a** disbursements that the Insured incurs in pursuing the dispute and
- b** legal costs and expenses incurred by the Insured's opponent if they are awarded against the Insured in the event that the Insured is unsuccessful in the legal action. A copy of the Commercial Litigator After the Event policy wording and a policy summary are available from the Insurer on request, and will also be provided to the Insured if the Insured takes out the cover.

2 Undisputed Debt Recovery Service

The Insured has access to the Debt Recovery Service if the Insured has an Undisputed Debt of at least £250 and the legal action to recover that Undisputed Debt can be brought within Great Britain. The Undisputed Debt should be referred to the Debt Recovery Service as soon as possible after the amount becomes due and payable.

The Debt Recovery Service is provided by an organisation that specialises in the recovery of debts. The organisation providing the Debt Recovery Service is not part of the Insurer and does not act on the Insurer's behalf. For Undisputed Debts that are pursued in England or Wales, that organisation will be DWF LLP, of 5 St Paul's Square, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9AE. For Undisputed Debts that are pursued in Scotland, the service will be provided by HBJ Claim Solutions solicitors, of 247 West George Street, Glasgow, Lanarkshire G2 4QE.

When the Insured needs to contact the Debt Recovery Service the Insured should call the number below, which relates to the country in which the Undisputed Debt will be pursued. The Insured should quote 'Allianz Undisputed Debt Recovery Service' and the Master Policy reference contained within the Policy Schedule.

Debts pursued in England or Wales **0151 907 3141**

Debts pursued in Scotland **0141 249 6095**

The telephone lines are open between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays).

Use of the Debt Recovery Service by the Insured may be subject to a fee being payable by the Insured to the Debt Recovery Service. The fee will be a percentage of the Undisputed Debt. The level of the fee, and the time at which it will be payable by the Insured, will be confirmed to the Insured by the Debt Recovery Service when the Debt Recovery Service is initially contacted. There may be additional expenses that are necessarily incurred by the Debt Recovery Service to recover the Undisputed Debt. These will also be payable by the Insured and will be confirmed by the Debt Recovery Service to the Insured at the appropriate time.

This Section does not cover the fee charged by the Debt Recovery Service or any expenses incurred in recovering the Undisputed Debt.

If, in the view of the Debt Recovery Service and the Insurer, the other party to the Contract submits a viable defence in respect of the Undisputed Debt

- a** the Insured must report the matter as a Claim under Event 12 Contract Disputes – Below Small Claims Limit if the amount in dispute is less than or equal to the Small Claims Limit. The pursuit of the debt will then be handled in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Section or
- b** if the amount in dispute is above the Small Claims Limit, the Insured will have the option of using the Additional Service 1 described above to obtain an assessment on whether Reasonable Prospects of a Satisfactory Outcome exist to pursue a legal action against the other party to the Contract.

Section 6 – Buildings

Definitions

Property Insured

The Buildings situated at the Premises shown in the Schedule including walls, gates and fences.

Sum Insured

- a The Insurer's liability under this Section is limited to the Sums Insured shown in the Schedule.
- b Index Linking
 - i The Sums Insured will be adjusted each month by the percentage change in the General Building Cost Index issued by the Building Cost Information Service of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (or some other suitable Index decided by the Insurer).
 - ii Additional premium will not be charged on such adjustments during the Period of Insurance. The renewal premium will be calculated on the adjusted Sum Insured applying on the last day of the month 3 months before renewal month.
 - iii In the event of insured Damage the monthly Index Linking adjustments will continue during the period between the date of the Damage and the completion of repair or replacement, provided that the Insured takes all reasonable steps to have the repair or replacement carried out without delay. The period of Index Linking adjustments after Damage is limited to one year.

Cover

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured in respect of Damage to the Property Insured by any cause not excluded, occurring during the Period of Insurance.

The amount payable shall be the cost actually incurred of repair or replacement, with no deduction for wear and tear or depreciation, provided:

- 1 **the Sum Insured is adequate to pay for rebuilding all the Property Insured and**
- 2 **repair or replacement is carried out without delay.**

If the Sum Insured is inadequate at the time of the Damage, the amount payable shall be the cost of repairs or replacement less a deduction for wear and tear.

If repair or replacement is not carried out, the amount payable shall be the reduction in market value resulting from the Damage but not exceeding what it would have cost to repair or replace if this had been carried out without delay.

Extensions

Cover under this Section includes:

1 Underground Services

The cost of repairing accidental damage to underground water, gas, sewer, drain or fuel pipes and underground electricity or telephone cables.

2 Rent

Rent which ceases to be paid to or be payable by the Insured following Damage to the Property Insured by this Section excluding any amount exceeding 10% of the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

3 Architects, Surveyors and Other Fees

Architects, surveyors, consulting engineers and legal fees necessarily and reasonably incurred in connection with the repair or replacement of the damaged parts of the Property Insured excluding fees for preparing any claim.

Section 6 – Buildings (continued)

4 Removal of Debris

The cost of removing debris, demolishing, shoring up or propping of the damaged parts of the Property Insured on the site and the area immediately adjacent necessarily incurred with the Insurer's consent excluding:

- a costs incurred in connection with or on any other property
- b costs arising from pollution or contamination of property not insured by this Section.

5 Statutory or Local Authority Costs

Any additional cost of repairing or replacing the damaged parts of the Property Insured incurred solely to comply with any statutory requirement or local authority bye-law excluding any cost arising from a notice served upon the Insured prior to the date of the Damage.

6 Benefit for the Contracting Purchaser

When the Insured contracts to sell their interest in the Property Insured the contracting purchaser who completes the purchase and his mortgagees shall have the benefit of the insurance by this Section. The benefits shall be up to the date of completion during the currency of this Section and provided the Property Insured is not otherwise insured. The benefit shall also be without prejudice to the rights and liabilities of the Insured or the Insurer.

7 Alterations and Additions

To the extent that they are not otherwise insured:

- a alterations, additions and improvements (but not appreciation in value in excess of Sums Insured) to Property Insured
- b any newly acquired or newly erected buildings

within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, for no more than 15% of the Sum Insured for each item covered, or £200,000 in total, whichever is the less, at any one Premises or at any one newly acquired address elsewhere than at the Premises, provided that the Insured shall give details of such alterations and additions to the Insurer within 90 days of the commencement date of the Insured's responsibility, effect specific cover retrospective to such date and pay the appropriate additional premium.

Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions of this Policy except 9 and 10 apply to this Section and in addition it does not cover:

- 1 the first £200 of every claim
- 2 Damage to:
 - a moveable property in the open or gates or fences by wind, rain, hail, sleet, snow, flood or dust
 - b land, roads or pavements
 - c sculptures and other works of art
 - d decorated and lettered glass, shop and showroom windows of plate, float or armoured glass, external fixed and hanging signs
- 3 Damage caused by or arising from:
 - a frost, landslip, coastal erosion, subsidence, ground heave, settlement, wear and tear
 - b rot, mildew, rust, corrosion
 - c insects, woodworm, vermin
 - d dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation
 - e faulty manipulation, design, plan, specification or materials
 - f gradual deterioration, market depreciation
 - g cracking, fracturing, collapse or overheating of boilers, economisers, vessels, tubes or pipes, nipple leakage and/or the failure of welds of boilers
 - h consequential loss of any kind except for Extension 2. Rent
 - i bursting, overflowing, discharging or leaking of water tanks, apparatus or pipes when the Property Insured is empty or disused.
 - j Damage caused by or consisting of acts of fraud or dishonesty by any partner director or employee of the Insured but the Insurer will pay for such Damage not otherwise excluded which itself results from an Event
- 4 Damage to any Property:
 - a caused by fire, resulting from its undergoing any heating process or process involving the application of heat

b resulting from its undergoing any process of production, packing, treatment, testing, commissioning, service or repair, but the Insurer will pay for such Damage caused by fire or explosion

5 Damage to:

- a** vehicles licensed for road use (including accessories on them), caravans, trailers, railway locomotives, rolling stock, watercraft or aircraft
- b** Property or structures in course of construction or erection and materials or supplies in connection with all such Property or structures
- c** land, pier, jetties, bridges, culverts or excavations
- d** livestock, growing crops or trees

but the Insurer will pay for such property specifically described in the Schedule

6 Damage occasioned by nationalisation, confiscation, requisition, seizure or destruction by the Government or any public authority

7 Damage to automated teller machines (ATM).

Conditions

The Policy Conditions of this Policy apply to this Section and in addition:

1 Felt Roof

If any Building has a felt roof where the mineral felt surface has not been replaced for 10 years, then it is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability for Damage that the felt roof is inspected annually by a competent roofing contractor prior to the month of October each year and evidence of such inspection and any remedial work following such inspection shall be kept and produced if requested by the Insurer.

Section 7 – Additional Computer Cover

Definitions

Computer Equipment

All computer and ancillary equipment belonging to the Insured or for which they are responsible including associated data carrying materials but excluding programs or information recorded thereon.

Indemnity Period

The period beginning with the discovery of erasure, distortion or corruption and ending within the number of months shown in the Schedule.

Cover

The Insurer will indemnify the Insured up to the Sums Insured shown in the Schedule in respect of:

A Damage to Computer Equipment

Damage to Computer Equipment by its own overrunning, excessive pressure, short circuiting, mechanical breakdown, failure, derangement or self-heating directly caused by:

- i **accidental failure of electricity or telecommunication services**
- ii **denial of access as a result of Damage in the vicinity of the Insured's Premises.**

B Accidental and Malicious Erasure

The cost of repurchasing or reinstating software programs or data information used with the Computer Equipment following accidental or malicious erasure, distortion or corruption of the program or information arising from Damage as specified in A. Damage to Computer Equipment which occurs during the Period of Insurance and is discovered within 12 months of its occurrence.

C Increased Cost of Working

Additional expenditure necessarily and reasonably incurred by the Insured during the Indemnity Period for the sole purpose of avoiding or diminishing interruption of or interference with the Business which but for such expenditure would have taken place in consequence of B. Accidental and Malicious Erasure, less any sum saved during the Indemnity Period in respect of business expenses and charges which cease or are reduced.

Basis of Settlement – Reinstatement

In the event of Damage to Computer Equipment the basis upon which the amount payable is to be calculated shall be the Reinstatement of the property or part thereof.

Reinstatement shall mean:

- A the cost of repair or replacement of the lost or damaged part of the property to a condition equal to but not better or more extensive than its condition when new. When replacement parts are not available from the manufacturers or their agents, the Insurer's liability shall be limited to the cost of an equivalent repair to similar property of current manufacture
- B where the property is lost or in the opinion of the Insurer damaged beyond repair its replacement by new property of equal specification. Where property of equal specification is not available the Insurer will pay for similar replacement property with the nearest higher specification. Replacement should be carried out in this way with reasonable dispatch. No payment will be made until the cost is actually incurred.

If at the time of Reinstatement the sum representing 85% of the cost which would have been incurred in reinstating the whole of the property exceeds the value of the property shown in the Schedule then the Insured shall be his own insurer for the difference and shall bear a proportionate amount of the loss accordingly.

Extensions

Auditor's Fees

Cover C. Increased Cost of Working is extended to include reasonable fees payable by the Insured to their auditors for producing the particulars of any claim as may be required by Policy Condition 6 of this Policy.

Exclusions

The Policy Exclusions of this Policy except 9 and 10 apply to this Section and in addition it does not cover:

1 Maintenance/Faulty Workmanship

Loss due to or resulting from:

- a maintenance and/or replacement of consumables
- b scratching of painted or polished surfaces.

2 Wear and Tear

Wear and tear, erosion, corrosion or other deterioration caused by, or naturally resulting from, ordinary work, use or exposure.

3 Heat Application

Damage to any property occasioned by its undergoing any process involving the application of heat.

4 Warranty Guarantee or Maintenance Agreement

Damage, costs or expenses recoverable by the Insured under the terms of any warranty, guarantee or maintenance contract.

5 Utilities

Additional expenditure incurred following:

- a failure of the public supply of electricity due to the deliberate act of the supply authority or the exercise by the supply authority of its power to withhold or restrict supply unless necessitated by the need to safeguard life or protect a part of the supply authority's system
- b failure of the telecommunication company's landlines due to:
 - i a deliberate act to withhold or restrict access to the system
 - ii industrial action by the telecommunication company's employees
 - iii use of non-approved equipment.

6 Excess

The first £100 of each claim.

Conditions

The Policy Conditions of this Policy except 13 and 14 apply to this Section and in addition:

1 Duplicate Programs/Data

The Insured shall keep and maintain at regular intervals duplicate copies of all software programs and data information.

2 Storage of Software/Data Materials

The Insured shall store all software/data materials, discs and tapes in a safe place in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

3 Additional Claims Conditions

- a The Insurer may at its option repair, reinstate or replace what is Damaged or pay for the Damage in money
- b The Insurer shall not be liable for the cost of any repairs undertaken without its written consent except in urgent cases where it has been necessary to put minor repairs in hand provided that:
 - i the requirements of Policy Condition 6 have been complied with
 - ii the repairs are carried out to the satisfaction of the Insurer
 - iii any parts replaced are kept for inspection by the Insurer.

Section 8 – Terrorism

Definitions

Act of Terrorism

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

Event

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

Territorial Limits

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

Note 1 This shall include the Channel Tunnel up to the frontier with the Republic of France, as set out by the Treaty of Canterbury.

Note 2 For the avoidance of doubt, this excludes Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

General Cover Policy

- a** This Policy
or
- b** where the Cover by this Policy is limited to the Terrorism Insurance Section only, the policy or policies specified in the Terrorism Section of the Schedule to this Policy.

Property Insured

Property as detailed in the Schedule to any General Cover Policy but excluding:

- 1** property insured under a:
 - a** Marine, Aviation or Transit policy
 - b** Motor Insurance policy (other than Motor Trade policy)
 - c** Road Risks Section of a Motor Trade policy
 - d** reinsurance policy or agreement
 - e** Bankers Blanket Bond
 whether such policy or agreement includes cover for an Act of Terrorism or not
- 2** any land or building which is insured in the name of an individual and is occupied by that individual for residential purposes, unless:

- a** insured under the same policy as the remainder of the land or building which is not a private residence
- b** the property is a block of flats and/or private dwelling house and the Insured is a trustee or body of trustees or a sole trader

Note 1 Trustees and sole traders are not deemed to be individuals.

Note 2 For the avoidance of doubt, such blocks of flats, self-contained units insured as part of such blocks of flats or such private dwelling houses occupied as a private residence by any of the trustee(s) or sole trader(s) will be deemed to be insured in the name of an individual.

- 3** any Nuclear Installation or Nuclear Reactor
- 4** any loss whatsoever or any expenditure resulting or arising therefrom or any Business Interruption directly or indirectly relating to a private residence property when insured in the name of a private individual caused by or contributed to by or arising from:
 - a** the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof;
 - b** ionising radiation or contamination by radioactivity or from the combustion of any radioactive material;
 - c** chemical and/or biological and/or radiological irritants contaminants or pollutants.

Damage

Loss or destruction of or damage to Property Insured.

Business Interruption

Loss resulting from interruption of or interference with the Business carried on by the Insured at the Premises in consequence of loss or destruction of or damage to property used by the Insured at the Premises for the purpose of the Business.

Nuclear Installation

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

- 1** the production or use of atomic energy or
- 2** the carrying out of any process which is preparatory or ancillary to the production or use of atomic energy and which involves or is capable of causing the emission of ionising radiations or

- 3 the storage, processing or disposal of nuclear fuel or of bulk quantities of other radioactive matter, being matter which has been produced or irradiated in the course of the production or use of nuclear fuel.

Nuclear Reactor

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

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. The definition of Virus or Similar Mechanism includes but is not limited to trojan horses, worms and logic bombs.

Hacking

Unauthorized access to any computer or other equipment or component or system or item which processes, stores, transmits or retrieves data, whether the property of the Insured or not.

Phishing

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

Denial of Service Attack

Any actions or instructions constructed or generated with the ability to damage, interfere with or otherwise affect the availability of networks, network services, network connectivity or information systems. Denial of Service Attacks include, but are not limited to, the generation of excess traffic into network addresses, the exploitation of system or network weaknesses, and the generation of excess or non-genuine traffic between and amongst networks.

Cover

The Insurer will pay the Insured for:

- a **Damage, or**
- b **Business Interruption**

occasioned by or happening through or in consequence of an Act of Terrorism within the Territorial Limits.

Provided always that the insurance by this Section:

- a **is not subject to the General Exclusions of the General Cover Policy**

- b **is subject otherwise to all the terms and conditions of the General Cover Policy except where expressly varied within this Section**

- c **is subject to a maximum Period of Insurance of 12 months from the Effective Date or any subsequent Renewal Date of this Policy**

Any subsequent period of cover of 12 months, or part thereof, provided by this Section is deemed to constitute a separate Period of Insurance, provided that:

- i **no subsequent Period of Insurance by this Section shall extend beyond the next Renewal Date of this Policy**
- ii **the renewal premium due in respect of this Section has been received by the Insurer**

- d **is not subject to any Long Term Undertaking applying to the General Cover Policy**

- e **is not subject to any terms in the General Cover Policy which provide for adjustments of premium.**

Basis of Settlement

As described in and subject to the terms, definitions, provisions, exclusions and conditions of any General Cover Policy in respect of Damage or Business Interruption.

The most the Insurer will pay for any one Event is:

- a the Total Sum Insured, or
- b for each item its individual Sum Insured, or
- c any other limit of liability

in the General Cover Policy, whichever is the less, except where the liability of the Insurer exceeds the Total Sum Insured, or for each item its individual Sum Insured, or any other limit of liability in the General Cover Policy, where such excess is solely in respect of any Cover Extension as provided for in the General Cover Policy.

Section 8 – Terrorism (continued)

Exclusions

This Section does not cover the following:

1 Digital and Cyber Risk Exclusion

any losses whatsoever 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 the Insured 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 Riot, Civil Commotion and War

any losses whatsoever occasioned by riot, civil commotion, war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power.

3 Territorial Limits

any losses whatsoever arising directly or indirectly from any cover or extension of Premises provided by the General Cover Policy to locations outside the Territorial Limits.

Conditions

1 Burden of Proof

In any action suit or other proceedings where the Insurer alleges that any damage or loss resulting from damage is not covered by the General Cover Policy, the burden of proving that such damage or loss is covered shall be upon the Insured.

Additional Benefits

24 Hour Lawphone Legal Advice Helpline

Lawphone provides advice on any commercial legal matter 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The advice the Insured receives from Lawphone will be in accordance with the laws of England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Lawphone does not provide advice on the laws of any other country or jurisdiction. The Insurer may record the calls for the Insured and Insurer's mutual protection and the Insurer's training purposes.

Lawphone: **0344 873 0845**

The Insured should quote the Master Policy reference contained within the schedule and provide a brief summary of the problem. The details will be passed to an advisor who will return the Insured's call.

All areas of law relevant to the Business of the Insured are covered. This advice is available to the Insured during the period of insurance of the Policy, although no liability can be accepted for inability to provide advice due to breakdown or failure of the telephone network.

This telephone helpline is provided by Allianz Legal Protection, part of Allianz Insurance plc.

Tax Advice Helpline

This helpline provides advice on any business tax matter affecting the Insured and is available between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays). Advice provided by the helpline will be in accordance with the taxation laws of England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. The Tax Advice Helpline cannot provide advice on the laws of any other country or jurisdiction.

Please note that this is a telephone service, which is intended for general enquiries. It does not provide advice on any matter relating to tax planning and the Tax Advice Helpline cannot engage in documentation review or enter into any written correspondence with the Insured, except where the advisor considers it appropriate to forward details of written procedures to the Insured by email. Advice and guidance will be in accordance with the advisor's understanding of the circumstances as described by the Insured.

This service should not be used as a substitute for a formal consultation with the Insured's accountant or other tax advisor, who can review the Insured's particular circumstances in more depth than is intended by this service.

When contacting the Tax Advice Helpline, the Insured should quote the Master Policy reference contained within the schedule.

Tax Helpline: **0344 873 0244**

The Insured can contact the helpline as often as required during the term of the Policy, although in the event that the telephone line is not available for technical reasons no liability can be accepted for inability to provide advice.

This helpline is provided by Abbey Tax Protection a trading division of Abbey Tax and Consultancy Services Ltd of One Mitchell Court, Castle Mound Way, Rugby CV23 0UY.

Allianz Legal Online

As part of the Commercial Legal Expenses facility the Insured has access to extensive online Business support via Allianz Legal Online. This facility provides tools and services that will help the Insured to produce legal paperwork in connection with the Insured's Business, for example, bespoke contracts of employment. In addition it provides the Insured with up to date guidance and advice on many legal issues, such as, employment legal procedures, managing the Insured's Business and debt recovery. The legal paperwork and guidance will always be in accordance with the laws of England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

The Insured can access Allianz Legal Online at:
www.allianzlegal.co.uk.

A registration number is required to enter the web site and this is shown within the Commercial Legal Expenses details on the schedule. If the Insured has any problems relating to Allianz Legal Online please contact the Allianz Legal Online customer services team on **0345 644 8966** or e-mail them at support@allianzlegal.co.uk.

Allianz Legal Online is provided by Epoq Legal Ltd of Middlesex House, 29-45 High Street, Edgware, Middlesex HA8 7UU.

Additional Benefits (continued)

Glass Replacement

Broken glass is dangerous for both yourself and your customers and in some circumstances, can be a major security risk. Allianz have negotiated a special arrangement for you, with one of Britain's leading glass replacement specialists, Solaglas.

Solaglas will bill Allianz direct – you pay nothing except the policy excess and the VAT.

The service is available 24 hours a day, all year round, and can be telephoned FREE: **0800 474747**.

Risk Director

Risk Director is Allianz's award winning online risk management service that is FREE for Allianz policyholders. At the click of a button you can access effective risk management guidance and information and also access trusted and impartial risk management product and service resources.

Try it now via www.riskdirector.co.uk

Help On Starting and Running a Business

Running a business means facing a constant stream of challenges and opportunities often with limited resources. Whether you're looking for help with management techniques, finance, export skills, design, technology, marketing or information technology, one phone call will put you in touch with a highly experienced team of experts with hands-on experience.

To contact your regional Business Support Helpline, telephone:

England:

Business Support Helpline
Telephone: **0300 456 3565**
Textphone: **0208 742 8620**
Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm

Wales:

Business Wales Helpline
Telephone: **0300 060 3000**
Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

Scotland:

Business Gateway (Scotland)
Telephone: **0845 609 6611**
Textphone: **0141 952 7053**
Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

Support and advice can also be obtained through the GOV.UK website at <https://www.gov.uk/business-support-helpline>

Data Protection

Allianz Insurance plc together with other companies within the Allianz SE group of companies (“Allianz Group”) may use the personal and business details you have provided or which are supplied by third parties including any details of directors, officers, partners and employees (whose consent you must obtain) to:

- provide you with a quotation, deal with the associated administration of your policy and to handle claims;
- search credit reference, credit scoring and fraud agencies who may keep a record of the search;
- share with other insurance organisations to help offset risks, administer your policy, for statistical analysis, and to handle claims and prevent fraud;
- support the development of our business by including your details in customer surveys, for market research and business reviews which may be carried out by third parties acting on our behalf.

Allianz Group may need to collect and process data relating to individuals who may benefit from the policy (“Insured Persons”), which under the Data Protection Act is defined as sensitive (such as medical history of Insured Persons) for the purpose of evaluating the risk and/or administering claims which may occur. You must ensure that you have explicit verbal or written consent from the Insured Persons to such information being processed by Allianz Group and that this fact is made known to the Insured Persons.

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

The Database assists individual consumer claimants who have suffered an employment related injury or disease arising out of their course of employment in the UK whilst working for employers carrying on, or who carried on, business in the UK and as a result are covered by the employers’ liability insurance of their employers, (the “Claimants”):

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

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

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

Telephone calls may be recorded for our mutual protection, training and monitoring purposes.

Under the Data Protection Act 1998 individuals are entitled to request a copy of all the personal information Allianz Insurance plc holds about them. Please contact the Customer Satisfaction Manager, Allianz Insurance plc, 57 Ladymead, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 1DB.

Personal details may be transferred to countries outside the EEA. They will at all times be held securely and handled with the utmost care in accordance with all principles of English law.

By applying for and/or entering into this insurance policy you will be deemed to specifically consent to the use of your data and your insurance policy data in this way and for these purposes and that your directors, officers, partners, and employees have consented to our using their details in this way.

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