Document of motor trade insurance

MOTOR TRADE INSURANCE

A guide to your cover and how to make a claim





WELCOME TO LV=

Thank you for choosing to purchase an LV= Insurance policy.

Your policy is underwritten by Highway Insurance, part of the Liverpool Victoria group of companies. Founded in 1843 Liverpool Victoria, which also trades as LV=, is the UK's largest friendly society and a major provider of insurance and financial services products.

As a friendly society and mutual, Liverpool Victoria exists wholly for the benefit of its members. We have no shareholders taking a share of our profits. Instead we invest our profits in making our products competitive and delivering an outstanding customer service.

Our claims service goes the extra mile. Committed to doing the right thing for our policyholders, we will aim to settle claims quickly, even in the most difficult circumstances.

If you would like to learn more about LV= please visit our website at: www.LV.com/commercial

John O'Roarke Chief Executive

Liverpool Victoria Insurance Company Limited

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please read this **policy**, the **schedule** (including any **endorsements**) and the **certificate of motor insurance** very carefully. Together with the information **you** gave **us** in the **proposal form or statement of fact**, and the declarations that **you** have made, they form the **contract of motor insurance**. **You** should pay particular attention to the **general exclusions**, the **general conditions** and any **endorsements** which apply.

The words that appear in bold throughout this **policy** are defined on pages seven, eight and nine and have the same meaning wherever they appear.

Please tell **your insurance adviser** immediately if **you** have any questions, the cover does not meet **your** needs, or any part of **your** insurance documentation is incorrect.

Data Protection Notice

This Data Protection Notice explains how **we** may use **your** details. It tells **you** about the registers and databases that **we** and others have in place, which help to detect and prevent fraudulent applications and claims, and must be shown to any party related to the insurance.

All phone calls relating to applications and claims may be monitored and recorded and the recordings used for fraud prevention and detection, training and quality control purposes. Subject to the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998, **you** are entitled, on payment of a small fee, to receive a copy of the information **we** hold about **you**.

Any information **you** give **us** will be used by **Highway Insurance Company Limited** and **we** may also share this information with other members of the Liverpool Victoria group of companies to inform **you** by letter, telephone or e-mail of other products which may be of interest to **you**.

If **you** do not wish to receive any marketing literature or if **you** have any queries, or would like more information about this Notice, please write to the:

Customer Care Department, Highway Insurance, 171 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex, CM14 4EJ. E-mail customercare@highway-insurance.co.uk

For more information on the Data Protection Act **you** may also write to the Office of the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45 E-mail: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

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Motor Insurance Database

Your policy details will be added to the Motor Insurance Database (MID) managed by the Motor Insurers' Bureau (MIB). It is a condition of the **policy** that **you** supply such details of the vehicles whose use is covered by the **policy** as are required by the relevant law applicable in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, for entry on the Motor Insurance Database, to the Motor Insurance Database (MID), unless agreed otherwise by **us**. The MID and the data stored on it may be used by the Police, the DVLA, the DVANI, the Insurance Fraud Bureau and other bodies permitted by law for purposes not limited to but including:

- Electronic Licensing.
- Continuous Insurance Enforcement.
- Law enforcement (prevention, detection, apprehension and/or prosecution of offenders).
- The provision of government services and/or other services aimed at reducing uninsured driving.

If you are involved in a road traffic accident (either in the UK or abroad), insurers and/or the MIB may search the MID to obtain relevant information. Other persons (including their appointed representatives) pursuing a claim in respect of a road traffic accident (including people who live in other countries) may also obtain relevant information which is held on the MID. It is vital that the MID holds your correct registration number. If not you risk having your vehicle seized by the Police. You can check that your correct registration number details are shown on the MID at www.askmid.com

Detecting and Preventing Fraud and Confirming Claims History

In order to keep premiums as low as possible for all **our** customers **we** participate in a number of industry initiatives to aid the prevention and detection of crime, especially insurance related fraud. When **you** tell **us** about any claim, the details **you** have provided, including personal details, will be passed to the various registers and databases that are used by companies within **our** group, companies providing services to **us**, other insurers and other fraud and associated agencies. In addition, **we** may search these registers and databases when **you** make a claim, to validate **your** claims history or that of any other person or property likely to be involved in the claim. If **you** give **us** false or inaccurate information

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and/or make or attempt to make a fraudulent claim, this information will be recorded on the registers.

We and other organisations may also use and search these agencies and databases to help make decisions about the provision and administration of insurance, credit and related services for **you** and members of **your** household, trace debtors or beneficiaries, recover debt, prevent fraud and to manage **your** accounts or insurance policies, check **your** identity to prevent money laundering, unless **you** furnish **us** with other satisfactory proof of identity, and undertake credit searches and additional fraud searches.

How To Make A Complaint

We aim to provide you with a high standard of service, but in the event you are dissatisfied with the service you receive, you should in the first instance contact your insurance adviser who sold you this insurance. If you remain dissatisified you should contact:

The Customer Care Department Highway Insurance Highway House 171 Kings Road Brentwood Essex CM14 4EJ

Telephone: 01277 266376

Fax: 01277 222055

E-mail customercare@highway-insurance.co.uk

Please quote the policy number in all correspondence. A copy of Highway's complaint handling procedure is available on request.

If **we** cannot resolve **your** complaint, **you** may refer **your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service within six months of receiving **our** final response letter. The address is: Financial Ombudsman Service, South Quay Plaza, 183 Marsh Wall, London, E14 9SR.

Telephone: 0845 080 1800 or 0300 123 9 123 (from mobile or non BT lines) E-mail: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Making a complaint will not affect **your** right to take legal action.

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Financial Services Compensation Scheme

What happens if we are unable to meet our liabilities?

If **we** are unable to meet **our** liabilities to **our** policyholders, **you** may be able to claim compensation from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

The level of compensation differs depending on the type of cover:

Compulsory insurance, (e.g. third party motor), is covered for 100% of the claim.

Non compulsory insurance, (e.g. home insurance), is covered for 90% of the claim.

Further information can be obtained from: Financial Services Compensation Scheme. 7th Floor, Lloyds Chambers, Portsoken Street, London, E1 8BN. Telephone: 020 7892 7300

E-mail: enquiries@fscs.org.uk.

Authorisation

Highway Insurance Company Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority under registration No. 202972. **You** can check this on the FSA's register by visiting the FSA's website www.fsa.gov.uk/register or by contacting the FSA on 0845 606 1234.

DEFINITION OF TERMS AND WORDS

Definitions

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they appear and are shown in bold throughout this **policy**.

Certificate of Motor Insurance – Legal evidence of **your** insurance. It is one part of the **contract of motor insurance**. It shows the vehicles **we** are insuring, who may drive the **insured vehicle** (where 'any authorised driver' is stated, refer to the **schedule** for restrictions), what it may be used for and the **period of insurance**.

Contract of Motor Insurance – The policy, the schedule (including endorsements), the certificate of motor insurance, the information you gave us in the proposal form or statement of fact and declarations that you have made, all form the contract of motor insurance.

Endorsements – Something which alters **your** insurance cover. **Your** cover will be affected by any **endorsement** that is shown on the **schedule**. (Such **endorsements** may add exclusions to the cover or require **you** to take action such as fitting approved security.) More than one **endorsement** may apply. If **you** do not comply with any **endorsements**, this **contract of motor insurance** may no longer be valid and **we** may refuse to deal with any claim.

Excess – The amount **you** have to pay towards each claim **you** make under this **contract of motor insurance**. There may be more than one **excess**, part of which may be voluntary (where **you** have chosen to take an **excess** to receive a discount on **your** premium). The amount of the **excess** is shown on the **schedule**.

Family or Household – Any member of the policyholder's family, or any other person, who is a permanent or temporary resident at the policyholder's address.

General Conditions – These describe **your** responsibilities, general information and the procedures that apply in certain situations, such as when there is a claim or the **contract of motor insurance** is cancelled.

General Exclusions – These describe the things that are not covered by the **contract of motor insurance**. They are in addition to the exclusions shown under the headings 'What is not covered' in each of the Sections detailing the cover provided.

DEFINITION OF TERMS AND WORDS CONTINUED

Geographical Limits – Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands. It also includes travelling by sea, air or rail between these places. Section 4 explains the cover that applies when driving abroad.

Highway Insurance - The trading name of Highway Insurance Company Limited.

Highway Insurance Company Limited – An insurance company, part of the Liverpool Victoria group of companies, authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority.

Insurance Adviser – the person or company **you** purchased this insurance from.

Insured Vehicle – The vehicle(s) shown on the current **schedule** and **certificate of motor insurance**.

Liverpool Victoria Insurance Company Limited trading as LV= – Part of the Liverpool Victoria group of companies.

Maximum Trade Value – The most **we** will pay for any claims in any one **period of insurance**. **You** can increase the **maximum trade value** if **you** give **us** notice and pay an extra premium.

Period of Insurance – The length of time covered by this **contract of motor insurance**, as shown on the current **schedule** and **certificate of motor insurance**.

Policy – This booklet, which sets out the details of cover and all the terms and conditions which apply. It is one part of the **contract of motor insurance**.

Proposal Form or Statement of Fact – The documents filled in by **you**, or on **your** behalf by an **insurance adviser**, or someone else, and all other information **you** gave and declarations made at the time the insurance was arranged and on which **we** have relied when agreeing to offer this **contract of motor insurance**. If **you** do not give **us** full information at the start, and tell **us** about changes, this **contract of motor insurance** may no longer be valid and **we** may refuse to deal with any claim.

Schedule – Forms part of the **contract of motor insurance** and confirms details of **you**, the **insured vehicle**(s) and the cover which applies. It is one part of the **contract of motor insurance**.

DEFINITION OF TERMS AND WORDS CONTINUED

Standard Accessories – Accessories made available for the vehicle by the manufacturer as optional extras and for which a receipt must be provided. **Standard accessories** do not include modifications to the **insured vehicle** or any other accessory fitted to it not provided by the vehicle manufacturer.

We, our, us – Highway Insurance Company Limited – trading as Highway Insurance.

You, Your – The person, company or trading name (including subsidiary companies) shown as the Insured on the **schedule** and **certificate of motor insurance**.

CONTRACT OF MOTOR INSURANCE

Motor Trade - Road Risks Only

This policy, the schedule, the certificate of motor insurance, information you gave us in the proposal form or statement of fact and declarations that you have made, form a legally binding contract of motor insurance between you and Highway Insurance Company Limited trading as Highway Insurance. This contract of motor insurance is a contract personal to you and you cannot transfer it to anyone else.

We agree to insure you under the terms of this contract of motor insurance against any liability, loss or damage that occurs within the **geographical** limits during the **period of insurance** for which you have paid, or agree to pay, the premium.

You must read this policy, the schedule and the certificate of motor insurance together. The schedule tells you which sections of the policy apply and identifies any applicable endorsements. Please check all three documents carefully to make sure that they give you the cover you want and that you comply with all the relevant terms and conditions, including any endorsements.

You must tell **your insurance adviser** of any changes likely to affect **your** insurance. **We** will make an administration charge if **you** change cover, drivers, **your** vehicle or request duplicate documents.

It is not intended that the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 should confer any additional rights under this **policy** in favour of any third party.

This Insurance is governed by English law (unless **you** live in Jersey or Guernsey, where Jersey or Guernsey law will apply).

CONTRACT OF MOTOR INSURANCE CONTINUED

Your Cover

The current **schedule** shows what **you** are covered for. The different kinds of cover are:

Comprehensive – Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 apply.

Third Party Fire and Theft – Sections 1, 2, 4 and 5 apply.

Third Party Only – Sections 1, 4 and 5 apply.

Fire and Theft Only - Section 2 only.

Use

This **contract of motor insurance** only covers **you** if **you** use the **insured vehicle** in the way described in **your certificate of motor insurance** (under 'Limitations as to Use') and any **endorsements**.

Cooling-off Cancellation Right

We hope you are happy with the cover this policy provides. However, you have the right to cancel it within 14 days of receiving the policy, without giving any reason. To cancel using this 'cooling-off' period you must return any certificate of motor insurance or temporary cover note relating to this contract of motor insurance, along with your cancellation request. If you do cancel in the first 14 days using the 'cooling-off' cancellation condition, we will charge you pro rata, subject to a minimum fee of £25 + Insurance Premium Tax, for the cover provided from the beginning of the contract until the policy is cancelled, unless we are required to make a total loss payment under the policy, under which circumstances a refund of the premium is not payable.

SECTION 1 LIABILITY TO OTHERS: THIRD PARTY COVER

What is covered

We will insure you against everything you legally have to pay to people who claim for damages, costs and expenses if they arise from a claim caused by an accident while you are driving, loading or unloading (directly from the **insured vehicle**), or in charge of the **insured vehicle**, if you kill or injure other people. We will also insure you for your legal liability for damage to their property (including any related indirect loss) up to £1,000,000 and for costs and expenses incurred up to £5,000,000. We will also insure you while the **insured vehicle** is towing a trailer or any one vehicle, so long as the towing is allowed by law and the trailer or broken-down vehicle is attached properly to the **insured vehicle** by towing equipment made for this purpose.

What is not covered

- Loss or damage to the **insured vehicle**, trailer or vehicle being towed.
- Any amount above £1,000,000 for damage to other people's property (including any related indirect loss) and any amount above £5,000,000 for costs and expenses incurred.
- Property or goods belonging to (or in the care of) you or your passengers, or being carried in or on any trailer or vehicle being towed.
- Death or injury to the person driving or in charge of the **insured vehicle** or to any person being carried in or on, or getting into or out of, or getting on to or off, a trailer or vehicle being towed.
- Loss or damage to any bridge, weighbridge, viaduct, road or other surface over which the vehicle is driven, or anything under the surface caused by the weight or vibration of the **insured vehicle** or its load.
- Loss, damage or liability caused by pollution or contamination as a result of any load seeping from the **insured vehicle** or any load spilling from, or shifting in, the **insured vehicle**.
- Liability for death, injury or damage when the **insured vehicle** is not on a public road and is in the process of being loaded or unloaded by any person other than the driver or attendant of the **insured vehicle**.
- Liability for death, injury or damage resulting from using the insured vehicle, or of machinery attached to it, as a tool of trade other than as required under the Road Traffic Act.

SECTION 1 LIABILITY TO OTHERS: THIRD PARTY COVER CONTINUED

- Liability for death or injury to any employee of the person insured arising during the course of their employment.
- Any liability, injury, loss or damage resulting from anything sold, transported or supplied by you or on your behalf.
- Any liability that is not required to be covered under the terms of the Road Traffic Act whilst you are loading or unloading directly from the insured vehicle.

Insuring Others - What is covered

We will also insure the following people under this Section.

- Any person you allow to use the insured vehicle as long as your current certificate of motor insurance says they can and they are not excluded from driving by an endorsement shown on the schedule.
- Any person (other than the person driving) being carried in, or getting onto
 or off, the **insured vehicle** or any person who causes an accident while they
 are travelling in, or getting in or out of, the **insured vehicle**.
- If anyone covered by the contract of motor insurance dies, we will cover their legal representative to deal with any claims made against that person's estate.

Insuring Others - What is not covered

- Legal liability if your current certificate of motor insurance does not cover the person using the insured vehicle, or if the person using the insured vehicle is excluded from driving or holding a valid licence, or using the insured vehicle as a result of the general exclusions, general conditions and any endorsements.
- Any liability that is not required to be covered under the terms of the Road Traffic Act whilst any person is loading or unloading directly from the insured vehicle.
- Any liability, injury, loss or damage resulting from anything sold, transported or supplied by you or on your behalf.

SECTION 1 LIABILITY TO OTHERS: THIRD PARTY COVER CONTINUED

Costs of Legal Representation – What is covered

If **we** agree in writing first, **we** may pay for the following legal fees if they arise from a claim caused by an accident that is covered under this **contract of motor insurance**.

- The solicitor's fee for representing anyone **we** insure at a court of summary jurisdiction, fatal accident enquiry or coroner's inquest.
- The reasonable costs of legal services we arrange for defending an insured person against a charge of manslaughter or causing death by dangerous driving.

We may, at any time, stop paying the legal costs.

Costs of Legal Representation - What is not covered

- Any costs which have not first been agreed in writing by us or arising from a claim caused by an accident which is not covered under this contract of motor insurance.
- Any costs where we have chosen to stop payments or arising from a claim which is not covered as a result of the general exclusions, general conditions and endorsements.

Emergency Medical Treatment - What is covered

We will pay for the Emergency Treatment Fees, as required by the Road Traffic Acts, after an accident involving the **insured vehicle. We** must, by law, provide this cover.

If this is the only payment we make, your No Claims Discount will not be affected.

Emergency Medical Treatment – What is not covered

Any amount that is more than the compulsory fee.

SECTION 2 FIRE AND THEFT

What is covered

We will cover you for loss or damage to the insured vehicle, up to a maximum indemnity shown on the schedule, that is caused by fire, lightning, explosion, theft or attempted theft, whilst it is being used on the public highway or is temporarily parked during the course of a journey or kept at the private home address of the insured. If the insured vehicle is owned by and registered in the personal name of the insured or the insured's spouse if that person is a permitted driver under this insurance, we will also cover you for such loss or damage whilst the vehicle is parked or kept at any location away from the private home address of the insured. We will also cover you for such loss or damage to fitted vehicle entertainment equipment up to a maximum of £500.00 where the insured vehicle is owned by and registered in the personal name of the insured or the insured's spouse if that person is a permitted driver under this insurance.

All valuations will be based on the trade value if the **insured vehicle**, unless such vehicle is owned and registered in the name of a customer, in which event market value will apply.

What is not covered

- Any vehicle which is not the **insured vehicle** and any loss or damage if **you**do not have cover under this section.
- Any loss or damage while an insured vehicle, other than vehicles owned by and registered in the personal name of the insured, or the insured's spouse if that person is a permitted driver under this insurance, is being kept within 400 metres on, in, near or next to any business premises owned by the insured, any other motor trader or other business premises associated with the Motor Trade. For the purpose of this section the private home address of the insured is not regarded as business premises.
- Wear and tear, mechanical, electrical, electronic and computer failure, breakdowns or breakages.
- Compensation for you not being able to use the insured vehicle, any delay where we have to get new parts or accessories or they are unavailable, or the value of the insured vehicle reducing for any reason.
- Any other indirect loss.

SECTION 2 FIRE AND THEFT CONTINUED

- Any extra parts or accessories that are not standard accessories permanently fitted to the insured vehicle.
- Loss or damage if you have not taken reasonable care to protect the insured vehicle (see 'Care of the Vehicle' under the general conditions).
- Loss or damage from repossessing the insured vehicle and returning it to its rightful owner.
- Loss or damage from any agreement or proposed transaction for selling or hiring the insured vehicle or someone taking the insured vehicle by fraud, trickery or deception or attempting to purchase the insured vehicle by fraudulent means.
- Loss or damage arising from the insured vehicle being taken or driven by
 a person who is not an insured driver but is a member of the policyholder's
 family or household, or being taken or driven by an employee or ex-employee.
- Loss or damage caused deliberately by you or any person driving the insured vehicle with your permission.
- Any additional damage resulting from the insured vehicle being moved by you after an accident, fire or theft.
- Any storage charges unless you tell us about them and we agree in writing to pay for them.
- Tools of trade, personal belongings, documents or goods.
- Fitted vehicle entertainment equipment unless the insured vehicle is owned by and registered in the personal name of the insured or the insured's spouse if that person is a permitted driver under this insurance.
- Keys, remote control or security devices (whether lost or stolen).
- Tapes, cassettes, compact and mini discs, Citizens-Band radios, phones or phone equipment.
- Loss or damage caused by any faulty part or accessory, by poor workmanship or by work carried out on the **insured vehicle** by **you** or anyone acting on **your** behalf.
- Loss or damage which is more than the maximum trade value shown on the schedule, and given by you on the proposal form or statement of fact.

SECTION 2 FIRE AND THEFT CONTINUED

- Loss or damage to any vehicle with more than 7 passenger seats, any vehicle with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes or any vehicle transporter capable of carrying more than 2 vehicles, unless these have been previously disclosed to and agreed by **us**.
- Loss or damage to any motorcycle, trike or quadbike.
- Loss or damage to any insured vehicle while it is being towed, or transported by you or anyone named on the schedule or certificate of motor insurance.
- Any loss or damage up to the amount of the excess that appears on your schedule.
- Any loss for theft or attempted theft where the insured vehicle has been left unlocked and / or the ignition key or other ignition control device is left in, on or in the immediate proximity of the insured vehicle.
- Any satellite navigation equipment or accessories, whether permanently fitted or not, that are not **standard accessories**.
- Any loss or damage caused by failure to maintain the insured vehicle and safeguard it from such loss or damage.
- Any loss or damage from the **insured vehicle** being confiscated, disposed of or destroyed by or under order of any government or public or local authority order.

SECTION 3 ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE

What is covered

We will cover you for loss or damage to the **insured vehicle**, up to a maximum indemnity shown on the **schedule**, whilst it is being used on the public highway or is temporarily parked during the course of a journey or kept at the private home address of the insured. If the **insured vehicle** is owned by and registered in the personal name of the insured or the insured's spouse if that person is a permitted driver under this insurance, we will also cover you for such loss or damage whilst the vehicle is parked or kept at any location away from the private home address of the insured. We will also cover you for such loss or damage to fitted vehicle entertainment equipment up to a maximum of £500.00 where the **insured vehicle** is owned by and registered in the personal name of the insured or the insured's spouse if that person is a permitted driver under this insurance.

All valuations will be based on the trade value if the **insured vehicle**, unless such vehicle is owned and registered in the name of a customer, in which event market value will apply.

What is not covered

Any loss or damage described in 'what is not covered' under the Fire and Theft section of this **policy**. **We** also do not cover the following:

- Damage to tyres caused by wear and tear, braking, punctures, cuts or bursts.
- Damage caused by frost, unless you have taken reasonable care to stop the damage happening and have followed the manufacturer's instructions to avoid liquid freezing in your vehicle.
- Loss or damage arising from the **insured vehicle** being filled with the wrong fuel.

Please note there is no provision for a courtesy vehicle to be provided during repairs or following the loss of the **insured vehicle**, even if **you** have comprehensive cover.

SECTION 4 DRIVING ABROAD

Unless **you** ask **us** to extend **your** cover (Additional Cover Abroad), and pay any extra premium needed, the cover for using the **insured vehicle** abroad is very restricted. It does not include loss or damage to the **insured vehicle** and, depending on the country concerned, may be very limited with regard to **your** legal liability to others.

Minimum Insurance -What is covered

We provide the minimum cover that applies to the country concerned to allow **you** to use any vehicle covered by this Insurance in:

 Any country which is a member of the European Union, Andorra, Croatia, Iceland, Norway and Switzerland.

The minimum cover automatically provided by this **contract of motor insurance** varies from country to country.

Minimum Insurance - What is not covered

- Damage to the insured vehicle
- Customs and Excise Duties

Additional Cover Abroad -What is covered

If you let us know before you go abroad, and you pay any extra premium we need, we will extend the cover for the **insured vehicle**, whilst it is being used for social, domestic and pleasure purposes, to give the same level of cover you have within the **geographical limits**. We will usually give you an international certificate (Green Card).

The insurance will then apply in:

 Any country which is a member of the European Union, Andorra, Croatia, Iceland, Norway and Switzerland.

For the period of the Green Card up to a maximum of 31 days in any one **period** of insurance.

SECTION 4 DRIVING ABROAD CONTINUED

Additional Cover Abroad - What is not covered

- Any loss of damage if you have not asked for extra cover and have not paid any premium needed.
- The **insured vehicle**, unless it is being used for social, domestic and pleasure purposes only.
- Customs and Excise Duties.
- Using the insured vehicle abroad for more than the period of the agreed additional cover provided.
- Loss or damage in any country which is not a member of the European Union or Andorra, Croatia, Iceland, Norway or Switzerland.

Additional information when travelling abroad

The following does not form part of your contract of motor insurance.

- Do take out adequate travel, breakdown and recovery insurance to cover all eventualities, even on a short trip.
- Do not sign an Agreed Statement of Facts form unless you fully understand and agree with its contents. In some countries they are binding agreements of the circumstances of an incident.

SECTION 5 NO CLAIMS DISCOUNT

If this is a yearly contract, and **you** do not claim under this insurance and **you** have not been involved in an accident which has or may result in a claim against **you**, **we** will give a discount from **your** renewal premium.

You cannot transfer your No Claims Discount to anyone else.

We will reduce or remove **your** No Claims Discount if **we** make any payment whatsoever, even if the accident is not **your** fault, unless **we** get the money back from someone else. **We** may withhold the No Claims Discount in full or part if there are any claims that have not been settled. If **we** recover all **our** money, or **we** have good reason to believe a third-party claim would be unsuccessful, the No Claims Discount would apply again.

CLAIMS HANDLING

Our aim is to give **you** the best claims service that **we** can. If **you** use the services **we** have put in place to achieve this, **we** can provide a better service than when the claim is outside **our** control.

There are some important points that **you** should be aware of if **you** are involved in an accident or **your** vehicle is stolen.

Accident

You must STOP at the scene of the accident, do not drive away until **you** have exchanged details with the other party involved.

Give your name, address and insurance details.

Get the name, address, phone number, vehicle registration and any other information **you** can from the other driver or drivers, passengers, witnesses and any attending police officer.

Note the exact location and any relevant road signs or markings.

If there is an injury and **you** did not give **your** details at the scene, report the incident to the police within 24 hours.

Theft

Report the theft to the police immediately and take a note of the officer's name, number, constabulary and crime reference number.

If **you** know where the vehicle is after its theft, make sure that it is safe and secure.

Claims Procedure

If any accident, injury, loss or damage occurs **you**, or **your** legal representative, must do the following:

Inform \mathbf{us} by calling \mathbf{our} Contact Centre (UK) on 0871 222 6062 as soon as is reasonably possible. If \mathbf{your} claim is for glass only call \mathbf{our} glassline on 0800 678 1010.

- Send us, unanswered, every letter you receive about a claim as soon as possible.
- Tell **us**, as soon as **you** know, about any prosecution, coroner's inquest or fatal accident injury.
- Not admit liability or negotiate a settlement without **our** written permission.
- Give any information, help and co-operation we need, including going to court if necessary.

We will do the following:

- Take over, defend or settle any claims in **your** name, or that of any other person insured.
- Take action (which **we** will pay for) in **your** name, or that of any other person insured, to get back any money **we** have paid.

Handling Your Claim

(See Sections 2 and 3)

We will do the following:

- Get an agent to take the **insured vehicle** to the nearest Approved Repairer or another safe place if **you** cannot drive it.
- Refer **you** to a Approved Repairer. **You** can take the vehicle to them or they will collect it and return it to **you** after an estimate has been prepared.
- Send the vehicle to a Approved Repairer, or another repairer of your choice, if we disagree with the estimate for repairing it provided by a non-approved repairer.
- Treat the **insured vehicle** as stolen if it has not been recovered within 30 working days after **you** reported the theft to **our** Contact Centre. It must still be missing when **we** pay **your** claim.
- Have your vehicle examined by our own or our appointed engineer.

Please note there is no provision for a courtesy vehicle to be provided during repairs or following the loss of the **insured vehicle**, even if **you** have comprehensive cover.

You must do the following:

- Get our permission before ordering any new part or accessory, and before paying for any transport outside the geographical limits.
- Tell us straightaway if the insured vehicle is stolen and you later get it back, or discover where it is.
- Send us the certificate of motor insurance, the Vehicle Registration document and Department of Transport Test (MOT) Certificate if the insured vehicle needs one, keys and any other documents we ask for before we pay your claim.

Paying Your Claim

(See Sections 2 and 3)

We will do the following:

- Pay the reasonable cost of protecting the **insured vehicle**.
- Pay the reasonable cost for the insured vehicle to be brought back to the address shown on the schedule. (We will not pay the cost of any transport outside the geographical limits unless we agree to do so first.)
- Entirely at our discretion and subject to payment of the policy excess, arrange to:
 - a) repair the damage at **our** Approved Repairer, **we** may decide to use suitable parts or accessories which are not supplied by the original manufacturer, or alternatively authorise repairs at a repairer of **your** choice subject to the provision of satisfactory estimates,
 - b) pay **you** the cost of replacing or repairing the damaged parts, including their fitting, or
 - c) treat the **insured vehicle** as a total loss and pay **you** the trade value of the vehicle, unless such vehicle is owned and registered in the name of a customer in which event market value will apply, less the **excess** just before the loss or damage happened.
- Pay the last known cost shown in the manufacturer's price list and the reasonable cost of fitting if any lost or damaged part or accessory is no longer available.
- Not pay the whole cost of any repair or replacement that leaves the vehicle in a better condition than before the loss or damage (you will pay part of the cost of the repair or replacement).
- Not refund any premium if the insured vehicle is written off or there is any claim. Once you accept our offer or we have paid the claim (or both) the insured vehicle becomes our property.
- Settle the claim to the legal owner if the insured vehicle is part of a hirepurchase or leasing agreement, or belongs to someone else.

- We will not pay the VAT element of any claim if you are registered for VAT.
- If we declare the insured vehicle a total loss (write off), you must pay whatever you owe us before we will pay your claim, or we may take what you owe us from anything we pay you.

You must do the following:

- Pay any excess direct to the repairer when you collect your vehicle.
- Pay the VAT direct to the repairer when you collect your vehicle if you are registered for VAT.
- Reimburse us any amount paid to any repairer in respect of a claim under the contract of motor insurance in relation to the VAT element of the total cost, if you are registered for VAT.

Fraudulent, False and Exaggerated Claims

Fraudulent, false and exaggerated claims increase premiums for **our** policyholders. **We** will not pay a claim which is in any part fraudulent, false or exaggerated, or if **you**, or anyone acting for **you**, makes a claim in a fraudulent or false way, or where **we** have been given any documents which are false or stolen, **we** will also seek to recover any costs that **we** have incurred. In such circumstances, **we** will cancel **your policy** and **we** will not return any premium.

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

These **general exclusions** apply to the whole of this **contract of motor insurance** and describe the things which are not covered. These apply as well as the exclusions shown under 'What is not covered' in each of the Sections detailing the cover provided.

This **contract of motor insurance** does not cover claims arising from any of the following.

- 1 Any accident, injury, loss or damage that happens while the **insured vehicle** is being:
 - used for a purpose which it is not insured for.
 - driven or in the charge of anyone who is not described in the certificate
 of motor insurance as a person entitled to drive or who is excluded
 from driving by any endorsements or covered by another insurance.
 - driven or in the charge of anyone who does not have a valid driving licence or who is disqualified from driving, who has not held a driving licence or who is prevented by law from holding one.
 - driven or in the charge of anyone who does not meet the terms and conditions of their driving licence as required by DVLA / DVLNI rules and regulations and any relevant law.
 - driven or in the charge of anyone who does not meet all the conditions described in the endorsements on your schedule and all the general conditions in this policy.
 - kept or used in an unsafe or unroadworthy condition. (You may be asked to provide details to show the insured vehicle was regularly maintained and kept in good condition.)
 - kept or used without a current Department of Transport Test (MoT) certificate if one is needed.
 - kept or used in any way that breaks any security requirements imposed by an **endorsement**.
 - used to carry passengers or goods in a way likely to affect the safe driving and control of the vehicle.

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS CONTINUED

- used for carrying dangerous loads, or
- used in or on restricted areas of airports, airfields or military bases.
- 2 Any liability that **you** have agreed to accept unless **you** would have had that liability anyway.
- 3 Anyone who does not meet all the conditions described in the endorsements on your schedule and all the general conditions in this policy and any other condition of this policy.
- 4 Hiring out the **insured vehicle** for money.
- 5 Any vehicle that is owned, hired or loaned by, or part of a hire purchase agreement with, **your** employees.
- 6 Racing of any description or being used in any contest, competition, rally or speed trial (apart from treasure hunts).
- 7 The **insured vehicle** being used on any form of race track, de-restricted toll road (including the Nurburgring) or off-road activity.
- 8 Any accident, injury, loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by:
 - war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war is declared or not), civil unrest, revolution, act of terrorism, riot or similar event;
 - earthquake;
 - ionising radiations or contamination from nuclear fuel or nuclear waste or from the burning or explosion of nuclear fuel;
 - the radiation, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of any nuclear installation, reactor, or other nuclear assembly or its component part;
 - any weapon or device using atomic or nuclear fission or fusion or radioactive force or matter;
 - pressure waves caused by aircraft and other flying objects; or
 - carrying any dangerous substances or goods.

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS CONTINUED

- 9 Any liability, loss or damage caused by explosion, sparks or ashes from the insured vehicle, or from any trailer or machinery attached to, or detached from, it.
- 10 Any liability, loss or damage that happens outside the **geographical limits** (apart from the cover detailed in Section 4 Driving Abroad).
- 11 Any proceedings brought against **you** outside the **geographical limits**, unless they result from using the **insured vehicle** in a country which **we** have agreed to extend this insurance to cover (see Additional Cover under Section 4 Driving Abroad).
- 12 Any liability, loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by:
 - pollution; or
 - contamination:

unless the pollution or contamination is directly caused by one incident at a specific time and place during the **period of insurance** and is:

- sudden;
- identifiable;
- not deliberate; and
- unexpected.

We will consider the pollution to have happened at the time the incident took place.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The following **general conditions** apply to the whole of this **contract of motor insurance**. These describe **your** responsibilities, general information and the procedures that apply in certain situations, such as when there is a claim or the **contract of motor insurance** is cancelled. If **you** do not meet the terms and conditions of this **contract of motor insurance**, it could make the cover invalid or mean **we** will refuse to pay **your** claim.

Keeping to the Policy Terms

Your premium is based on the information you gave us when your cover started and when you renew it. If your circumstances change, you must tell us as soon as possible. If you are not sure whether you need to tell us about certain facts, you should give us the information anyway, or contact your insurance adviser for advice. You should keep a record of the information you give in relation to this contract of motor insurance. If you did not or do not give full and accurate information, this contract of motor insurance may be invalid and we may refuse to deal with any claim you might make.

This insurance will only apply if:

- the person claiming has kept to all the terms and conditions of this contract of motor insurance; and
- all the information you have supplied is correct and complete to the best of your knowledge and belief.

Motor Insurance Database (MID)

As a result of the Fourth EU Motor Insurance Directive **you** are obliged to provide the Motor Insurance Database (MID) with the registration numbers of all vehicles that are owned by **you** and that will be driven, used or parked on a road or public place.

Failure to disclose such registration numbers may invalidate **your policy** with the result that any claim will be rejected. Non-compliance with the regulations is a criminal offence, and the maximum possible fine for not submitting data is £5,000.

It is a condition of this **contract of motor insurance** that **you** supply such details, as are required by law, for entry on the MID.

GENERAL CONDITIONS CONTINUED

Right of recovery

If the law of any country which this **contract of motor insurance** covers requires **us** to make payments which, but for that law, **we** would not otherwise have paid, **you** must repay the amount to **us**.

If any claims or other monies are paid to **you** by mistake for any reason, or a claim has been paid which **we** later find to be fraudulent, false or exaggerated, **you** must repay the amount paid to **us**.

If **we** have refunded any premium following cancellation, **we** can take any money **you** owe **us** from any payment **we** make.

Care of the Vehicle

The **insured vehicle** must be covered by a valid Department of Transport Test (MoT) Certificate if **you** need one by law.

You must take all reasonable precautions to avoid loss of or damage to the **insured vehicle**. For example, **you** should remove it to a safe place as soon as possible if it breaks down. **You** should also take all reasonable care of the keys to the **insured vehicle** to prevent them being lost or stolen.

You must always take the keys out of the ignition and remove them completely when the insured vehicle is left at any time whatsoever (regardless of whether the vehicle is still within your sight) and make sure that you do not leave belongings on display. You should close all the windows and sun-roofs and lock all the doors. Alarms, immobilisers and tracking devices should be turned on when fitted. Endorsements may apply to your cover, setting out other requirements relating to immobilisers, alarms and tracking devices. In these cases, we will need to see evidence that an approved alarm, immobiliser or tracking device has been fitted. These devices must always be on and working whenever the insured vehicle is left.

If **you** do not take reasonable care of the **insured vehicle** and meet any security requirements, this **contract of motor insurance** may no longer be valid and **we** may not pay any claim.

GENERAL CONDITIONS CONTINUED

You or any other person covered by this insurance must do the following:

- Protect the insured vehicle from loss or damage.
- Keep the insured vehicle in an efficient and roadworthy condition. (You may
 be asked to provide details to show the insured vehicle was regularly
 maintained and kept in good condition.)
- Not move or drive the insured vehicle in a way likely to affect safe driving or control or in a way which could cause loss or damage to it.
- Not move or drive the **insured vehicle** after an accident, fire or theft if to do so may cause additional damage.
- Allow us to examine the insured vehicle at any reasonable time.

Cancelling your Policy (Outside the cooling-off period)

You may cancel this **contract of motor insurance** at any time by telling **us**, or **your insurance adviser**, in writing or by email or telephone and sending **us your certificate of motor insurance**. If **you** or someone else has not made a claim in the current **period of insurance**, **we** will refund part of **your** premium using the chart below. When **we** work out the time **you** have been covered, **we** use the period from the date the insurance started to the date **we** receive **your certificate of motor insurance**.

| Length of time you have had | How much of the annual premium |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| cover for | we will refund |
| up to 7 days | 85% |
| up to 1 month | 75% |
| up to 2 months | 65% |
| up to 3 months | 50% |
| up to 4 months | 40% |
| up to 6 months | 30% |
| up to 8 months | 20% |
| up to 9 months | 10% |
| over 9 months | 0% |

GENERAL CONDITIONS CONTINUED

These rates apply to yearly policies and will vary for policies of a shorter period.

We will not refund any of **your** premium if the **contract of motor insurance** is cancelled following a claim whether settled or not.

We, or our authorised agent, may cancel this contract of motor insurance by giving you seven days notice in writing to your last known address. We do not have to give any reason for cancelling this contract. If we do this, we will refund part of your premium for the period of insurance left after the cancellation date, as long as you or someone else has not made a claim under this contract of motor insurance.

If we, or our authorised agent, cancel this contract of motor insurance because you have not paid the premiums on time, we will not refund any part of the premium you have already paid. We will work out any premium you owe us by charging you for the time you have been covered by this contract of motor insurance using the chart above.

In all cases, you must return the **certificate of motor insurance** to **us** as soon as **you** receive notice of cancellation. **We** will not pay any refund until **we** receive the **certificate of motor insurance**, or if **you** or someone else has made a claim under this **contract of motor insurance**.

If **you** produce a cancelled **certificate of motor insurance** to any person with the intention of deceiving that person into accepting it as genuine, **you** may be prosecuted.

Other Insurance

If there is any other insurance covering the same claim, **we** will only pay **our** share of the claim, even if the other insurer refuses the claim.

Document of motor trade insurance

If there is an accident or theft, ring us on

0871 222 6062

If you suffer windscreen or glass damage, call

0800 678 1010



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