

POLICY DOCUMENT HOME INSURANCE E-SOLUTIONS FROM PEN





HOME INSURANCE POLICY

WELCOME!

Thank you for choosing Pen Underwriting to provide your home insurance

This is **Your** Home Insurance Policy Booklet, setting out **Your** insurance protection in detail. The Policy Booklet must be read together with the Policy **Schedule** and Statement of Facts as one document.

It is an important document so You should keep it somewhere safe - You will need it if You need to make a claim.

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

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

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

Your insurance relates only to those sections of the Policy which are shown in the Schedule as being included.

This Policy is provided by Pen Underwriting Limited acting as agent on behalf of a select panel of insurers. For details of Pen Underwriting Limited's Data Protection and Privacy Policies visit the Pen Underwriting website at www.penunderwriting.co.uk

The Insurer that is providing Your Pen Underwriting Home Insurance Policy can be found in Your Policy Schedule.

Family Legal Expenses Insurance is provided by Arc Legal Assistance Ltd on behalf of Inter Partner Assistance SA.

Useful Telephone Numbers

This information can be found on Your Policy Schedule.

Please note all calls are recorded for training and monitoring purposes and are charged at the national standard rate.

How to make a claim

If **You** need to make a claim, please contact **Us** straightaway by calling the telephone number printed on **Your** Policy **Schedule** and have **Your** Policy Number to hand when calling. **Your** Policy Number appears on the top left corner of **Your** Policy **Schedule** and **Your** Statement of Facts.

Please also refer to the Policy Conditions Section 2 "Claims" at the back of **Your** Policy Booklet for full details of **Your** duties and how **We** deal with **Your** claim.

Your Policy Booklet

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

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The contract of insurance

This Policy is a contract of insurance between **You** and the **Insurer**. The following elements form the contract between **You** and the **Insurer**, please read them and keep them safe:

- · Your Policy Booklet
- information contained on Your Statement of Facts documents issued by Us
- Your Schedule and any Endorsements shown on it
- any changes to Your Home Insurance Policy contained in notices issued by Us at renewal.

In return for **You** paying **Your** premium, **We** will provide cover shown in **Your Schedule** on the terms and conditions of this Policy Booklet during the **Period of Insurance**.

Our provision of insurance under this Policy is conditional upon **You** observing and fulfilling the terms, provisions, conditions and clauses of this Policy Booklet.

Several Liability

The subscribing **Insurer(s)** obligations under contracts of insurance to which they subscribe are several and not joint and are limited solely to the extent of their individual subscriptions. The subscribing **Insurer(s)** are not responsible for the subscription of any co-subscribing **Insurer(s)** who for any reason does not satisfy all or part of its obligations.

Information and changes we need to know about

You must take reasonable care to provide complete and accurate answers to the question **We** ask when **You** take out, make changes to, and renew **Your** Policy.

Please tell **Your** insurance advisor to let **Us** know if there are any changes to the information set out in the Statement of Facts or on **Your Schedule**. **You** must also tell **Us** about the following if they represent a change or a fact **You** have not already told **Us** about:

- any intended alteration to, extension to or renovation of the Home. However You do not need to tell Us about internal alterations to the Home unless the value of the work is over £25,000 or You are creating an additional Bedroom, bathroom or shower room,
- · any change to people insured, or to be insured,
- any change or addition to the **Contents** or the property to be insured that results in the need to increase the amounts insured or the limits that are shown on **Your** Policy **Schedule**,
- if Your property is to be lent, let, sub-let, or used for business purposes (other than occasional clerical work),
- if Your property is Unoccupied,
- if any member of **Your** household or any person to be insured on this Policy is charged with, or convicted of a criminal offence (other than motoring offences).

If You are in doubt, please contact Your insurance advisor.

When **We** are notified of a change, **We** will tell **Your** insurance advisor if this affects **Your** Policy, for example whether **We** are able to accept the change and if so, whether the change will result in revised terms and/or premium being applied to **Your** policy.

If the information provided by You is not complete and accurate:-

- We may cancel Your Policy and refuse to pay any claim, or
- We may not pay any claim in full, or
- We may revise the premium and/or change any Excess, or
- the extent of the cover may be affected.

Choice of Law

The law of England and Wales will apply to this contract unless, which is subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales; unless at the start date of **Your** policy **You** are a resident of Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, in which case (in the absence of an agreement to the contrary) the laws of that country will apply.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Use of Language

Unless otherwise agreed, the contractual terms and conditions and other information relating to this contract will be in English.

Customers with Disabilities

This Policy and other associated documentation are also available in large print, audio and Braille. If **You** require any of these formats, in the first instance please contact **Your** insurance advisor.

Your right to cancel

You have a statutory right to cancel Your Policy within 14 days from the day of purchase or renewal or from the day You receive Your Policy, whichever is the later ("cooling off period").

If **You** decide that **You** do not wish to accept the policy, please contact **Your** insurance advisor. Subject to no claims being made or notified, **We** will refund the full premium. The policy will be treated as not being taken up and it will be cancelled from inception.

If **You** do not exercise **Your** right to cancel within the cooling off period, the Policy will remain in force and all premiums will be payable in accordance with the terms of the Policy.

If **You** wish to cancel **Your** policy and it is outside of the 14 day cooling off period, please contact **Your** insurance advisor and refer to the Policy Conditions section of **Your** Policy Booklet.

How much cover do you need?

While **Your** insurance advisor can guide **You**, it is **Your** responsibility to make sure that the amount of insurance cover **You** buy represents the full value of **Your** property.

For **Buildings** cover the value must represent the full cost of rebuilding the **Buildings** including any extra costs that may be involved such as demolition, architect's and surveyor's fees and any additional costs in meeting local authority requirements.

For **Contents** and **Personal Possessions** the value must represent the full cost of replacing all the property as new, other than clothing and linen where **We** may make a deduction for wear and tear and the resultant loss in value.

The maximum amount that **We** will pay in the event of a claim is the **Sum Insured** so it is very important that **You** insure **Your** property for the full amount of its value.

Property maintenance

It is **Your** responsibility to maintain and look after **Your** property. **Your** Policy is intended to provide **You** with cover against events that are sudden and unforeseen, for example fire or flood. It will not cover **You** for damage that happens gradually over time like damp, or rot, or for damage caused by wear and tear, or for, general maintenance costs such as repairs to defective rendering or general roof repairs.

Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

A person who is not a party to this insurance has no right under the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any terms of this insurance. This shall not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from this Act.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Data Protection Act 1998

Pen Underwriting are committed to protecting and respecting your privacy.

Any personal data you supply to us will be treated in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 (the "Act") and any other legislation intended to protect your personal information and privacy.

Any personal data provided to us, including sensitive personal data (such as information relating to health or criminal convictions), will be processed by us for the purposes of:

- (a) providing insurance, handling claims and any other related purposes.
- (b) offering renewal, research or statistical purposes.
- (c) providing you with information, products or services that you request from us or which we feel may interest you, where you have consented to be contacted for such purposes.
- (d) notifying you about changes to our service.
- (e) safe-guarding against fraud and money laundering.

The personal data that we collect from you may be transferred to, and stored at, a destination outside the European Economic Area ("EEA"). It may also be processed by staff operating outside the EEA who work for us or for one of our suppliers. Such staff maybe engaged in, among other things the provision of support services. Where we transfer your personal data outside of the EEA, will take all steps reasonably necessary to ensure that it is treated securely.

Pen Underwriting may disclose your personal data to third parties involved in providing products or services to us, or to service providers who perform services on our behalf. These include:

- (a) our group companies, which means our subsidiaries, our ultimate holding company and its subsidiaries, as defined in Section 1159 of the UK Companies Act 2006.
- (b) affinity partners.
- (c) reinsurers.
- (d) other insurance intermediaries.
- (e) insurance reference bureaus.
- (f) credit agencies.
- (g) medical service providers.
- (h) fraud detection agencies.
- (i) loss adjusters.
- (j) solicitors/barristers.
- (k) accountants.
- (I) regulatory authorities; and
- (m) as may be required by law

You have the right to ask us not to process your personal data for marketing purposes. We will usually inform you (before collecting your data) if we intend to use your data for such purposes or if we intend to disclose your information to any third party for such purposes. You can exercise your right to prevent such processing by checking certain boxes on the forms we use to collect your data. You have the right to access any personal information we hold about you. Your right of access can be exercised in accordance with the Act. Any access request may be subject to a fee of £10 to meet our costs in providing you with details of the information we hold about you.

For access to your personal data please write to; The Data Protection Officer, Pen Underwriting, The Walbrook Building, 25 Walbrook, London, EC4N 8AW

For full details of our privacy policy please visit our website at www.penunderwriting.co.uk

COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

It is always OUR intention to provide a first class standard of service. However, it is appreciated that occasionally things go wrong. If YOU need to complain, YOU can do so at any time by referring the matter to either the Pen Underwriting Limited Complaints Officer or the Complaints team at Lloyd's.

The address of Pen Underwriting Limited Complaints Officer is:

Pen Underwriting Limited Complaints 7th Floor Spectrum Building 55 Blythswood Street Glasgow G2 7AT

Telephone: 0141 285 3539 (telephone calls may be recorded)

Email: pencomplaints@penunderwriting.com

The address of the Complaints team at Lloyd's is:

Complaints Lloyd's One Lime Street London EC3M 7HA

Telephone: 020 7327 5693 Fax: 020 7327 5225

E-mail: complaints@lloyds.com Website: www.lloyds.com/complaints

Details of Lloyd's complaints procedures are set out in a leaflet "Your Complaint - How We Can Help" available at www.lloyds.com/complaints and are also available from the above address.

If YOU remain dissatisfied with the outcome of YOUR complaint, YOU may have the right to refer YOUR complaint to an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) body.

If YOU live in the United Kingdom or the Isle of Man, the contact information is:

The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR. Telephone 0800 023 4567 (calls to this number are free from "fixed lines" in the UK) or 0300 123 9123 (calls to this number are charged at the same rate as 01 and 02 numbers on mobile phone tariffs in the UK). Email:complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

If YOU live in the Channel Islands, the contact information is:

Channel Islands Financial Ombudsman, PO Box 114, Jersey, Channel Islands JE4 9QG.

Telephone: Jersey +44 (0)1534 748610; Guernsey +44 (0)1481 722218; International +44 1534 748610. Fax +44 1534 747629. Email: enquiries@ci-fo.org. Website: www.ci-fo.org

If YOU purchased your policy online* YOU can also make a complaint via the EU's online dispute resolution (ODR) platform. The website for the ODR platform is: http://ec.europa.eu/odr

* "Online" includes all products sold via a website, email, telephone and social media amongst others with a digital element.

This complaints procedure does not affect YOUR right to take legal action.

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). If **We** cannot meet **Our** obligations, **You** may be entitled to compensation under the FSCS. Further information about the FSCS and the criteria under which **You** may be entitled to compensation is available on the FSCS website at www.fscs.org.uk or by writing to The Financial Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU.

POLICY DEFINITIONS

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

Accidental Damage	Damage caused suddenly and unexpectedly by an outside force.	
Bedroom	A room originally designed as a Bedroom even if it is now used for other purposes.	
Bodily Injury	Bodily Injury includes death or disease.	
British Isles	The United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.	
Buildings	 (a) the Home and its decorations; (b) fixtures and fittings attached to the Home; (c) permanently installed swimming pools (but not swimming pool covers), professionally installed solar panels, professionally installed wind turbines, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates and fences and fixed fuel tanks; that You own or for which You are legally responsible within the address named in the Schedule. 	
Business Equipment	Computers, keyboards, printers, desktop publishing units, multi-user small business computers, photocopiers, computer-aided design equipment, and other office equipment owned by You and used in connection with a business that You run from the Home .	
Contents	Household goods and personal property, within the Home , which are Your property or which You are legally responsible for: This includes: (a) tenant's fixtures and fittings; (b) radio and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts which are attached to the Home ; (c) property in the open but within the boundary of the Home up to £1,000 in total (other than radio and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts which are attached to the Home); (d) deeds and registered bonds and other personal documents up to £1,000 in total; The definition of Contents does NOT include: a. motor vehicles (other than domestic garden machinery and pedestrian controlled models or toys), caravans, trailers or watercraft, or aircraft or their accessories; b. any living creature c. trees, bushes, plants or shrubs other than those normally kept in the Home ; d. any part of the Buildings ; e. any property held or used for business purposes other than Business Equipment up to £5,000 in total; f. any property insured under any other insurance.	
Credit Cards	Credit Cards , charge cards, debit cards, bankers cards and cash dispenser cards issued in the United Kingdom, belonging to You and held for private or domestic purposes.	
Domestic Employee	A person who You employee to carry out domestic duties at the Home and who is not employed by You in connection with any business, trade, profession or employment.	
Downloads	Software or files legally downloaded and stored on any computer or home entertainment equipment.	
Endorsement	A change in the terms and conditions of this insurance as shown on Your Schedule .	
Excess	The amount You will have to pay towards each separate claim. The details of Your Excess will be shown on the Schedule .	
Heave	Upward movement of the ground beneath the Buildings as a result of the soil expanding.	

POLICY DEFINITIONS (CONTINUED)

Home	The property, the garages and any outbuildings used for domestic purposes at the address shown in the Schedule .	
Landslip	Downward movement of sloping ground.	
Money	Current legal tender, cheques, postal and money orders including: a. postage stamps not forming part of a stamp collection; b. savings stamps and savings certification, travellers' cheques; c. premium bonds, luncheon vouchers and gift tokens; all held for private or domestic purposes.	
Period of Insurance	The length of time for which this Policy is in force, as shown in the Schedule , and for which You have paid and We have accepted a premium. Each renewal represents the start of a new Period of Insurance .	
Daws and Dassassians	Clothing, baggage, guns, jewellery and watches, sports equipment and other similar items normally worn, used or carried about the person and all of which belong to You .	
Personal Possessions	Personal Possessions does NOT include: a. Money and Credit Cards; b. Pedal cycles in excess of £500 must be specified.	
Sanitary Ware	Washbasins, sinks, bidets, toilet pans and cisterns, shower trays, shower screens, baths and bath panels.	
Schedule	The Schedule forms part of this Policy and contains details of the Home , the Sums Insured , the Period of Insurance , and the sections of this insurance which apply.	
Settlement	Downward movement of the land beneath the Buildings as a result of compaction due to the weight of the Buildings .	
Storm	Strong winds of over 47mph which will sometimes be accompanied by rain, snow or hail. Heavy or persistent rain on its own is not a Storm unless it is a torrential downpour with over an inch of rain in a one hour period (or a proportionate amount in a shorter time of the same proportion).	
Subsidence	Downward movement of the land beneath the Buildings that is not a result of Settlement .	
Sum Insured	The amount shown on the Schedule as the most We will pay for claims resulting from one incident unless otherwise stated in this Policy Booklet or on the Schedule .	
Unfurnished	Not furnished adequately for normal living purposes.	
Unoccupied	Not lived in by You for 60 consecutive days.	
	(a) jewellery (b) furs; (c) gold, silver, gold and silver plated articles or other precious metals (d) works of art and antiques Unless otherwise specified in the Schedule the maximum that We will pay in respect of	
Valuables (in the Home)	Valuables is as follows: a. If the Home has 1 or 2 Bedrooms £10,000 b. If the Home has 3 Bedrooms £12,500 c. If the Home has 4 Bedrooms £15,000 d. If the Home has 5 Bedrooms £17,500 We will not pay more than £2,000 in respect of any one single article.	
We / Us / Our / Insurers	The Insurer(s) whose identity is stated in the Schedule.	
You / Your / The Policyholder	The person or persons named in the Schedule , their domestic partner and all members of their family (or families) who are permanently living with them including any foster children who live with them.	

SECTION 1: BUILDINGS

(This Section only applies if stated as INSURED in the Schedule.)

A COVER

What is covered	What is not covered
We will pay for loss or damage to the Buildings caused by any of the following:	We will NOT pay for loss or damage:
fire, smoke damage, lightning, explosion or earthquake	a) to anything that happens gradually
aircraft and other flying devices or items dropped from them	
3. Storm, flood or weight of snow	to domestic fixed fuel-oil tanks in the open, swimming pools, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, hedges, gates and fences.
escape or water from, or frost damage to, fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes	 a) to swimming pools; b) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; c) while the Buildings are Unoccupied; d) caused by the failure or lack of grout and/or sealant. e) resulting from the failure of fish tanks f) caused by taps being left on or sinks/baths overflowing
escape of oil from a fixed domestic oil-fired heating installation or smoke damage caused by a fault in any fixed domestic heating installation and the associated cost of decontaminating polluted land or water	 a) due to wear and tear or anything that happens gradually; b) to domestic fixed fuel-oil tanks; c) caused by faulty workmanship; d) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; e) while the Buildings are Unoccupied.
6. theft or attempted theft	 a) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; b) while the Home is lent, let or sub-let unless there is physical evidence of violent and forcible entry; c) while the Buildings are Unoccupied; d) caused by You, paying guests or tenants.
7. collision by any vehicle or animal	
(i) riot, civil unrest, strikes and labour or political disturbances	(i) a) while the Buildings are Unfurnished ; b) while the Buildings are Unoccupied . c) if the claim is not reported within 7 days of the incident date
(ii) malicious acts	(ii) a. while the Buildings are Unfurnished ; b. while the Buildings are Unoccupied ; c. and malicious acts caused by You , paying guests or tenants

What is covered	What is not covered
We will pay for loss or damage to the Buildings caused by any of the following:	We will NOT pay for loss or damage:
 Subsidence, Heave or Settlement of the land that the Buildings stand on, or Landslip; 	 to domestic fixed fuel oil tanks, swimming pools, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates and fences; (However, We will pay if We accept a claim for Subsidence, Heave or Landslip damage to the Home.)
	b) to solid floors;
	(However, We will pay if the load bearing walls of the Home are damaged at the same time by the same event.)
	 arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials;
	 which compensation has been provided for or would have been but for the existence of this insurance under any contract or guarantee or by law;
	e) caused by coastal erosion or riverbed erosion;
	f) whilst the Buildings are undergoing any structural repairs, alterations or extensions;
	g) as a result of the action of chemicals on, or the reaction of chemicals with any materials which form part of the Buildings;
	 if You knew when this Policy started that any part of the Buildings had already been damaged by Subsidence, Heave or Landslip;
	(However, We will pay if You told Us about this and We accepted it.)
	caused by normal Settlement or shrinkage, or by recently placed infill materials moving up.
 breakage or collapse of fixed radio and television aerials, fixed satellite dishes and their fittings and masts; 	a) to radio and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts.
11. falling trees, telegraph poles or lamp-posts;	a) caused by trees being cut down or cut back within the boundary of the Home ;
	 to gates and fences. (However, We will pay if the Home is damaged at the same time by the same event.)

B EXCLUSIONS

Please note the following Exclusions apply to this entire Section.

We will NOT pay for:

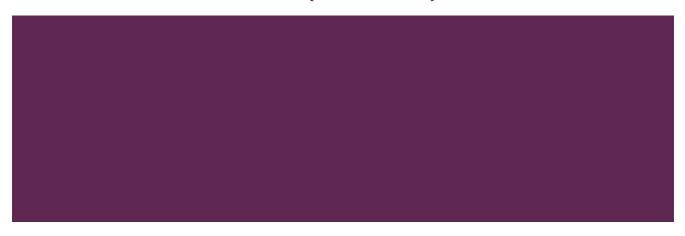
- (a) anything contained within the General Exclusions Section;
- (b) the Excess specified in the Schedule;
- (c) wet or dry rot.

CADDITIONAL BENEFITS

What is covered	What is not covered
	We will NOT pay for:
1. Underground Services We will pay for the cost of repairing accidental breakage to: (a) domestic oil pipes; (b) underground water-supply pipes; (c) underground sewers, drains and septic tanks; (d) underground gas pipes; (e) underground cables; which You are legally responsible for.	Loss or damage: a) due to wear and tear or anything that happens gradually; b) due to a fault or limit of design. Manufacture, construction or installation;
2. Glass and Sanitary Ware We will pay for the cost of accidental breakage to: (a) fixed glass and double glazing (including the cost of replacing frames); (b) solar panels; (c) Sanitary Ware; (d) ceramic hobs; forming part of the Buildings.	 a) loss or damage: i) specifically excluded under this Section; ii) movement, settling, shrinking, collapsing or cracking of the Buildings; iii) while the Home is undergoing alteration, repair, cleaning, maintenance or extension; iv) caused by wear and tear, frost or anything that happens gradually; v) arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials; vi) from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown; vii) caused by dryness, dampness, extremes of temperature or exposure to light; viii) caused by, contributed to or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination; ix) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; x) while the Buildings are Unoccupied. b) general maintenance.
3. Loss of Metered Water We will pay for increased metered water charges You have to pay following an accidental escape of water discharged from a metered water system providing service to the Home. The maximum that We will pay is £2,000 in any one Period of Insurance.	

What is covered	What is not covered
	We will NOT pay for:
 4. Trace and Access We will pay for: (a) costs and expenses incurred in tracing the source of damage caused by the escape of water from any tank, apparatus, pipe or fixed heating systems in the Home; (b) any repairs directly arising from (a). The maximum that We will pay if £5,000 in any one Period of Insurance. 5. Loss of Rent and Alternative Accommodation If the Home is damaged by any cause covered under this Section and, as a result, cannot be live in, We will pay for: (a) loss of rent due to You which You are unable to recover; (b) any costs of alternative accommodation for You and Your pets; 	we will NOT pay tot.
until the Home is ready to be lived in. The maximum that We will pay is £50,000 in any one Period of Insurance . 6. Damage caused by Emergency Services We will pay for costs and expenses incurred following loss or damage caused by the emergency services in	
gaining access to the Home in the course of their duty to safeguard life or property.	
7. Damage to Gardens We will pay for trees, shrubs, plants and lawns following loss or damage insured under this Section.	Loss or damage: a) caused by domestic pets, animals, wildlife, birds, insects, vermin, fungus or frost; b) to trees, shrubs, plants and lawns dying naturally or because You haven't looked after them properly; c) to trees, shrubs, plants and lawns on land not belonging to the Home; d) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; e) while the Buildings are Unoccupied. The maximum We will pay is £5,000 in any one Period of Insurance. Single article limit of £500 per tree, shrub or plant

What is covered	What is not covered
	We will NOT pay for:
8. Professional Fees and Other Expenses We will pay for: (a) architects', surveyors' and consulting engineers' fees; (b) the cost of removing debris and demolishing or supporting the damaged parts of the Buildings, which We have agreed to pay; (c) costs You have to pay in order to comply with any Government or local authority requirements; incurred in reinstating or repairing the Buildings following damage insured under this Section.	 a) expenses incurred for preparing a claim or an estimate of loss or damage; b) any costs if Government or local authority requirements have been served on You before the loss or damage.
9. Selling Your Home If You enter into a contract to sell Buildings insured by this Policy, and they are destroyed or damaged prior to the sale being completed, the buyers will be entitled to any benefit from this insurance for the damage once the sale has been completed. This will not apply if any other insurance has been arranged by or on behalf of the buyer.	
10.Property Owner's Liability We will pay for all amounts You become legally liable for as owner of the Buildings as a result of: (a) Bodily Injury; (b) accidental loss of or damage to property; happening during the Period of Insurance and arising: i. from Your ownership of the Buildings; ii. under Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972 (or the Defective Premises Northern Ireland Order 1975) for any Home You previously owned and occupied or leased and occupied. If the Buildings Section of this Policy is cancelled or ends, this Defective Premises Act cover will continue for seven years for any Home insured by this Section before the cover was cancelled or ceased. The maximum We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £2,000,000. We will also pay all Your costs and expenses that We have agreed to in writing.	 Your legal liability: a) as occupier of the Buildings; b) for accidental Bodily Injury to any person You employ if the Bodily Injury happens as a result of or in the course of their employment with You; c) for loss or damage to property which belongs to You or is in Your care; d) in connection with any motorised vehicle; e) under any agreement except to the extent that You would have been liable without that agreement; f) in connection with Your trade, business or profession; g) under (b) above where cover is provided by another policy of insurance.



DOPTIONAL EXTENSION

What is covered	What is not covered
	We will NOT pay for:
1. Accidental Damage to the Buildings (This cover is optional and only applies if stated as INSURED in the Schedule.) Schedule.)	a) loss or damage: i) specifically excluded under this Section; ii) movement, settling, shrinking, collapsing or cracking of the Buildings , iii) while the Home is undergoing alteration, repair, cleaning, maintenance or extension; iv) caused by wear and tear, infestation, corrosion, damp, mould or frost or any other anything that happens gradually; v) arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials; vi) from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown; vii) caused by dryness, dampness, extremes of temperature or exposure to light; viii) to swimming pools, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraced, walls, gates and fences and fuel tanks; ix) caused by, contributed to or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination; x) while the Buildings are Unccupied xii) caused by chewing, tearing, scratching
	or fouling by animals b) general maintenance.

SECTION 1: BUILDINGS (CONTINUED) E CLAIMS SETTLEMENT UNDER SECTION 1

(Please also refer to the Policy Conditions Section of this booklet.)

1. Limit of Insurance

We will NOT pay more than the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

2. Replacement or Repair

We will pay the cost of repair or replacement less a deduction for wear, tear or betterment (where the **Buildings** would be improved by the repair or replacement) if:

- (a) the Buildings have not been maintained in good repair; or
- (b) at the time of any damage the Sum Insured for Buildings is less than the full rebuilding cost.

If the repair or replacement is not carried out **We** will, at **Our** option, pay the reduction in market value resulting from the damage not exceeding what it would have cost to repair the damage to the **Home** if the repair work had been carried out without delay.

3. Pairs, Sets and Suites

We will NOT pay the cost of replacing or repairing any undamaged parts of the **Buildings** which form part of a pair, set, suite or part of a common design or function when the loss or damage is restricted to a clearly identifiable area or to a specific part.

4. Automatic Re-instatement of Sums Insured

We will NOT reduce the **Sum Insured** under this Section after **We** have paid a claim provided that **You** agree to carry out **Our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.

5. Trace and Access

We will pay for goods and services which are competitive in the relevant marketplace.

SECTION 2: CONTENTS

(This Section only applies if stated as INSURED in the **Schedule**.)

A COVER

What is covered	What is not covered
We will provide cover for loss of or damage to the Contents in the Home caused by any of the following:	We will NOT pay for loss or damage:
fire, smoke damage, lightning, explosion or earthquake	a) to anything that happens gradually
aircraft and other flying devices or items dropped from them	
3. Storm, flood or weight of snow	a) to property in the open
escape of water from or frost damage to fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes	 a) while the Buildings are Unfurnished b) while the Buildings are Unoccupied c) caused by the failure or lack of grout and/or sealant d) resulting from the failure of fish tanks e) caused by taps being left on or sinks / baths overflowing
 escape of oil from a fixed domestic oil-fired heating installation or smoke damage caused by a fault in any fixed domestic heating installation and the associated cost of decontaminating polluted land or water 	 a) due to wear and tear or anything that happens gradually; b) caused by faulty workmanship; c) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; d) while the Buildings are Unoccupied.
6. theft or attempted theft	 a) whilst the Home is lent, let or sub-let, (However, We will pay if someone has broken into or out of the Home using force and violence or obtained access to the Home by deception.) b) the maximum amount that We will pay in respect of Contents contained in a domestic outbuilding including a garage is £5,000.
7. collision by any vehicle or animal	
8. (i) riot, civil unrest, strikes and labour or political disturbances (ii) malicious acts	(i) a) while the Buildings are Unfurnished; b) while the Buildings are Unoccupied; c) if claims are not notified within 7 days of the incident date. (ii) a. while the Buildings are Unfurnished; b. while the Buildings are Unoccupied; c. caused by You, paying guests or tenants

What is covered	What is not covered
We will pay for loss or damage to the Contents caused by any of the following:	We will NOT pay for loss or damage:
9. Subsidence, Heave or Settlement of the land that the Buildings stand on, or Landslip; Output Description:	 a) to solid floors; (However, We will pay if the load bearing walls of the Home are damaged at the same time by the same event.) b) arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials; c) which but for the existence of this insurance would be covered under any contract or guarantee or by law; d) whilst the Buildings are undergoing any structural repairs, alterations or extensions; e) by coastal erosion or riverbed erosion f) as a result of the action of chemicals on or reaction of chemicals with any materials which form part of the Buildings.
breakage or collapse of fixed radio and television aerials, fixed satellite dishes and their fittings and masts;	a) to radios and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts.
11. falling trees, telegraph poles or lamp-posts;	a) caused by trees being cut down or cut back within the boundary of the Home .

B EXCLUSIONS

The following Exclusions apply to this entire Section.

We will NOT pay for:

- (a) anything contained within the General Exclusions Section;
- (b) the **Excess** specified in the **Schedule**.

CADDITIONAL BENEFITS

What is covered	What is not covered
	We will NOT pay for:
1. Temporary Removal We will pay for loss or damage to Contents whilst they are temporarily removed from the Home: (a) in any occupied private dwelling occupied by You; (b) in any Buildings where You are living or working; (c) for valuation, cleaning or repair; (d) in any furniture deposit store; (e) in any bank or safety deposit box; caused by events 1-10 in Section A. The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £10,000.	 a) the Excess specified in the Schedule; b) Contents temporarily removed to a place out the British Isles; c) Money or Credit Cards; d) Contents at University/College, unless specified in the Schedule.
2. Rent Payable and Alternative Accommodation If the Home is damaged by any cause covered under this Section and, as a result, cannot be lived in We will pay for: (a) rent You have to pay as the occupier; (b) any cost of alternative accommodation for You and Your pets for a period of up to 12 months from the date of the damage, or until the Home is ready to be lived in, whichever occurs first. The maximum amount that We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £50,000.	a) the Excess specified in the Schedule.
3. Tenant's Liability We will pay for all amounts You become legally liable for, as a tenant, for loss or damage to the Home. The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £10,000.	 a) the Excess specified in the Schedule; b) any caused excluded under this Section; c) loss or damage while the Buildings are Unfurnished; d) Subsidence or Heave of the land that the Buildings stand on, or Landslip; e) fire, lightning or explosion; (However, We will pay for damage to landlord's fixtures and fittings.) f) any person taking part in a riot, civil unrest, strike and labour or political disturbance; g) malicious acts; h) We will not cover damage to cables and underground pipes due to a fault or limit of design, manufacture, construction or installation.

What is covered	What is not covered	
	We will NOT pay for:	
4. Audio Equipment and Mirrors We will pay for the cost of accidental breakage to: (a) audio visual equipment; (b) mirrors and fixed glass	 a) the Excess specified in the Schedule; b) loss or damage specifically excluded under this Section; c) computers or computer equipment designed to be portable; d) video cameras, tablets, mobile phones, pagers, computer software, games, recording tapes, discs or records; e) damage to Contents within garages and outbuildings; f) loss or damage; i) caused by dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation or whilst being worked upon; ii) caused by chewing, tearing, scratching or fouling by animals; iii) while the Home is lent, let or sub-let; iv) caused by wear and tear, moth, vermin, infestation, corrosion, damp, wet or dry rot, mould or frost or anything that happens gradually; v) arising out of fault design, specification, workmanship or materials; vi) from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown; vii) arising from demolition, structural alteration or structural repair of the Buildings; viii) caused by dryness, dampness, extremes of temperature or exposure to light; ix) contributed to or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination. 	
5. Fatal Bodily Injury We will pay £5,000 if You die as a result of Bodily Injury caused at the Home by fire, explosion, lightning or intruders, provided that Your death happens within 12 months of the sustained Bodily Injury.		
6. Locks and Keys		
We will pay for the costs of changing locks to: (a) external doors of the Home; (b) alarm systems or domestic safes in the Home; following accidental loss or theft of keys. The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £500.		

What is covered	What is not covered	
	We will NOT pay for:	
7. Loss of Metered Water and Loss of Oil		
We will pay for increased metered water charges You have to pay following an accidental escape of water discharged from a metered water system providing service to the Home .	a) loss or damage for metered water charges or oil, when the Home is Unoccupied or Unfinished	
and		
We will pay for loss of oil following a claim for escape of oil.		
The maximum amount We will pay is £2,000 in any one Period of Insurance .		
8. Celebration or Religious Festival	a) the Excess specified in the Schedule;	
We will increase the Sum Insured under this Section by £1,000 for a period of 30 days before and 30 days after a celebration or religious festival that You celebrate.	b) loss or damage that can be recovered under any other insurance policy.	
9. Deterioration of Food	a) the Excess specified in the Schedule	
We will pay for loss or damage to food stored in any domestic fridge or freezer in the Home caused by:	b) loss or damage caused by an electricity or gas company cutting off or restricting Your supply;	
(a) a rise or fall in temperature;	loss or damage due to the failure of Your electricity or gas supply caused by a strike or any other industrial	
(b) contamination by freezing agents.	action.	
The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £2,000, unless otherwise specified in the Schedule .	d) loss or damage if the domestic fridge or freezer is over 10 years old	
10.Downloads	a) the Excess specified in the Schedule	
We will pay for the cost of replacing Downloads following loss or damage covered under this section.		
The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £1,000.		
11.Personal Money	a) the Excess specified in the Schedule;	
We will pay for theft or accidental loss of personal Money anywhere in the world provided that, within 24 hours of You discovering any such loss or theft, You have notified the police.	b) shortages due to error or omission;c) loss of value	
The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one occurrence is £1,000, unless otherwise specified in the Schedule .		

What is covered	What is not covered	
	We will NOT pay for:	
12. Unauthorised Use of Credit Cards We will pay for amounts You become legally liable for as a result of unauthorised use of Your Credit Cards following loss or theft anywhere in the world; provided that within 24 hours of You discovering any such loss or theft, You have notified the police and card issuing company and You have complied with all other conditions under which Your Credit Cards were issued to You. The maximum amount We will pay is £5,000 in any one Period of Insurance, unless otherwise specified in the Schedule.	 a) the Excess specified in the Schedule. b) shortages due to an error or omission; c) loss of value; d) loss or damage that can be recovered under any other insurance policy. 	
13.Occupier's, Personal and Domestic Liability We will pay for amounts You become legally liable for as a result of: (a) accidental Bodily Injury or illness; (b) accidental loss of or damage to property; happening during the Period of Insurance in: i) the British Isles; ii) the rest of the world, for temporary visits; and arising: 1) as occupier (not as owner) of the Home and its land; 2) in personal capacity (not as owner or occupier) of any Building or land; 3) as employer of a Domestic Employee. The maximum amount We will pay in respect of any one incident is: A. 1) and 2) £2,000,000 B. 3) £10,000,000. We will also pay all Your costs and expenses which We have already agreed to in writing.	 a) You or anyone on Your behalf owning, possessing or using: i) any motorised or licensed vehicle except for domestic gardening machinery, a golf buggy or an electric wheelchair ii) aircraft other than pedestrian controlled toys or models; iii) caravans; iv) boats, boards and craft designed to be used on or in water, other than those only propelled by oars or paddles or pedestrian controlled toys or madels; b) You living in or occupying land or Buildings other than the Home or its grounds; c) You owning land, Buildings or other fixed property; d) deliberate or malicious acts; e) HIV and HIV-related illnesses, including AIDS; f) dangerous dogs defined in the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (or any successor legislation); g) any trade, business or profession; h) under any agreement except to the extent that You would have been liable without that agreement; i) loss of or damage to property which belongs to You or 	
	is in Your care or control; j) Your Bodily Injury or illness.	

IMPORTANT NOTE

If You are the owner or occupier of the Home insured by this Policy.

Accidents that happen in the **Buildings** or on the land are nearly always the legal responsibility of the occupier (the person who lives in the **Buildings** or on the land) rather than the owner.

If **You** are the owner but not the occupier of the **Buildings**, please remember that this **Contents** insurance Section does NOT cover **Your** legal liability as the owner of the **Home** or its land.

To protect yourself, **You** will need to arrange **Buildings** insurance, which provides **Your** property owner's liability cover. This cover is automatically provided by the **Buildings** Section of this Policy where it is shown on the **Schedule** as INSURED.

DOPTIONAL EXTENSION

What is covered	What is not covered	
	We will NOT pay for:	
1. Accidental Damage to the Contents (This cover is optional and only applies if stated as INSURED in the Schedule.)	a) the Excess specified in the Schedule; b) loss or damage specifically excluded under this Section; c) Money, Credit Cards, documents or stamps; d) damage to Contents within garages and outbuildings; e) loss or damage; i) caused by dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation or whilst being worked upon; ii) caused by chewing, tearing, scratching or fouling by animals; iii) to contact, corneal or micro lenses; iv) while the Home is lent, let or sub-let; v) caused by wear and tear, moth, vermin, infestation, corrosion, damp, wet or dry rot, mould or frost or anything that happens gradually; vi) arising out of fault design, specification, workmanship or materials; vii) from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown; viii) arising from demolition, structural alteration or structural repair of the Buildings; ix) caused by dryness, dampness, extremes of temperature or exposure to light; x) contributed to or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination; xi) while the Home is Unoccupied;	

SECTION 2: CONTENTS (CONTINUED) E CLAIMS SETTLEMENT UNDER SECTION 2

(Please also refer to the Policy Conditions Section of this booklet.)

1. Limit of Insurance

We will not pay more than the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

2. Replacement or Repair

If **You** claim for loss or damage to the **Contents We** will at **Our** option repair, replace, reinstate or pay for any article covered under this Section.

For total loss or destruction of any article **We** will pay **You** the cost of replacing the article as new, provided that the new article is as close as possible to but not an improvement on the original article when it was new.

Please note that a deduction for wear and tear will apply to clothes and household linen.

3. Pairs, Sets and Suites

We will not pay the cost of replacing or repairing any undamaged **Contents** which form part of a pair, set, suite or part of a common design or function when the loss or damage is restricted to a clearly identifiable area or to a specific part.

4. Automatic Re-instatement of Sums Insured

We will not reduce the **Sum Insured** under this Section after **We** have paid a claim provided that **You** agree to carry out **Our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.

5. Sum Insured

If **You** are under-insured, which means the cost of replacing or repairing the **Contents** at the time of the loss or damage is more than **Your Sum Insured** for the **Contents**, then **We** will only pay a proportion of the claim. For example, if **Your Sum Insured** only covers one half of the cost of replacing or repairing the **Contents**, **We** will only pay one half of the cost of repair or replacement.

6. Proof of Value

If **You** claim for any specified item in the **Schedule** then **You** will need to provide proof of the item's value. Therefore, **We** recommend **You** retain photos, instruction booklets, copies of valuations and receipts for any specified item noted in the **Schedule**.

SECTION 3: PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

(This Section only applied if stated as INSURED in the **Schedule**.)

A COVER

What is covered	What is not covered	
We will pay for loss or damage to:	We will NOT pay for:	
(i) Your Personal Possessions (shown in the Schedule) anywhere in the world for a maximum period of 60 days any one trip.	(i) loss or damage: a) caused by insects, vermin, domestic pets, wet or dry rot, fungus, atmospheric or climatic conditions, wear and tear or anything that happens gradually; b) from electrical or mechanical faults or breakdown; c) for any amount over £2,000 for any one item (including articles forming a pair or set) unless stated otherwise in the Schedule or the specification(s) attached to the Schedule; to individual Pedal cycles in excess of £500, unless stated otherwise in the specification(s) attached to the Schedule. d) or deterioration of any article caused by dyeing, cleaning, repair, renovation or whilst being worked upon; e) to guns caused by rusting or bursting of barrels; f) to sports equipment whilst in use; g) to contact, corneal or micro corneal lenses, hearing aids, dental appliances unless otherwise stated in the specification forming part of the Schedule; h) for theft or disappearance of jewellery from baggage unless such baggage is carried by hand and under Your personal supervision; i) computer equipment unless otherwise stated in the specification(s) attached to the Schedule; j) any amount over £1,000 in total in respect of theft or disappearance of property from any vehicle when such vehicle is left unattended without an authorised occupant unless from a locked, concealed luggage boot or closed glove compartment following forcible and violent entry to a locked vehicle; k) any amount over £2,000 in total in respect of theft or disappearance of jewellery from hotel or motel rooms during Your absence from such rooms; l) for loss or damage to motor vehicles, caravans,	
	aircraft, watercraft, sail boards or surf boards; m) articles used for business or professional purposes unless stated otherwise in the Schedule .	

SECTION 3: PERSONAL POSSESSIONS (CONTINUED)

Wh	at is covered	What is not covered
We	will pay for loss or damage to:	We will NOT pay for:
(ii)	Your pedal cycles following loss or damage anywhere in the world for a maximum period of 60 days any one trip.	 (ii) loss or damage: a) to tyres, lamps or accessories, unless the pedal cycle is stolen or damaged at the same time b) due to wear and tear or anything that happens gradually; c) from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown; d) while the pedal cycle is used for racing or pacemaking or is let out on hire or is used other than for private purposes; e) to individual Pedal cycles in excess of £500, unless stated otherwise in the specification(s) attached to the Schedule. f) theft or attempted theft unless the pedal cycle is kept in a locked building or secured to an immovable object with a Pedal Cycle/ Motorcycle/ Motor Scooter lock which has been tested and approved to be Sold Secure Silver or Sold Secure Gold rated.

B EXCLUSIONS

The following Exclusions apply to this entire Section.

We will NOT pay for:

- (a) anything contained within the General Exclusions Section;
- (b) the Excess specified in the Schedule.

SECTION 3: PERSONAL POSSESSIONS (CONTINUED)

C CLAIMS SETTLEMENT UNDER SECTION 3

(Please also refer to the Policy Conditions Section of this Policy.)

1. Limit of Insurance

We will not pay more than the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule.

2. Replacement or Repair

If You claim for loss or damage to Personal Possessions, We will at Our option repair, replace, reinstate or pay for any article lost or damaged.

For total loss or destruction of any article **We** will pay **You** the cost of replacing the article as new, provided that the new article is as close as possible to but not an improvement on the original article when it was new.

Please note that a deduction for wear and tear will apply to clothes, household linen and pedal cycles.

3. Pairs, Sets and Suites

We will not pay the cost of replacing or repairing any undamaged **Personal Possessions** which form part of a pair, set, suite or part of a common design or function when the loss or damage is restricted to a clearly identifiable area or to a specific part.

4. Automatic Re-instatement of Sums Insured

We will not reduce the **Sum Insured** under this Section after **We** have paid a claim provided that **You** agree to carry out **Our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.

5. Sum Insured Condition

If **You** are under-insured, which means the cost of replacing or repairing the **Personal Possessions** at the time of the loss or damage is more than **Your Sum Insured** for the **Personal Possessions**, then **We** will only pay a proportion of the claim.

For example, if **Your Sum Insured** only covers one half of the cost of replacing or repairing the **Personal Possessions**, **We** will only pay one half of the cost of repair or replacement.

6. Proof of Value

If **You** claim for any specified item in the **Schedule** then **You** will need to provide proof of the item's value. Therefore, **We** recommend **You** retain photos, instruction booklets, copies of valuations and receipts for any specified item noted in the **Schedule**.

SECTION 4: FAMILY LEGAL EXPENSES INSURANCE

(The following applies only if the schedule shows that legal expenses are included and the appropriate additional premium has been paid.)

This insurance is managed and provided by Arc Legal Assistance Limited on behalf of Inter Partner Assistance SA. In this Section only, the defined terms, **We/Us/Our** mean Arc Legal Assistance Limited. This Section also contains other defined terms which may have different meanings to those described previously in **Your** Home Insurance Policy.

If You make a valid claim under this insurance, We will appoint Our panel solicitors, or their agents, to handle Your case. You are not covered for any other legal representatives' fees unless court proceedings are issued or a Conflict of Interest arises. Where, following the start of court proceedings or a Conflict of Interest arising, You want to use a legal representative of Your own choice You will be responsible for any Advisers' Costs in excess of Our Standard Advisers' Costs.

The insurance covers **Advisers' Costs** and other costs and expenses as detailed under the separate sections of cover, up to the maximum sum payable for each **Insured Incident**, which is £15,000 for claims under the Personal **Identity Theft** section of cover and £50,000 for claims under all other sections where:-

1. The Insured Incident takes place in the Insured Period and within the Territorial Limits

and

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

DEFINITIONS

Adviser	Our specialist panel solicitors or their agents appointed by Us act for You, or, and subject to Our agreement, where court proceedings have been started or a Conflict of Interest arises, another legal representative nominated by You.	
Advisers' Costs	Reasonable legal fees and disturbances incurred by the Adviser or other legal representative with Our prior written authority. Legal expenses shall be assessed on the standard basis and third party's costs shall be covered if awarded against You and paid on the standard basis of assessments.	
Conflict of Interest	There is a Conflict of Interest if We administer and/or arrange legal expenses insurance on behalf of any other party in the dispute which is the sum of a claim under this insurance.	
Excess	The amount that You must pay towards the cost of any claim below:- Consumer Pursuit, Employment Disputes, Professional Negligence, Property Damage and Consumer Defence Sections: £100 Personal Injury Section: £1,000 where the claim arises from industrial disease Clinical Negligence Section: £1,000 Personal Identity Theft Section: Nil	
Identity Theft	A person or group of persons knowingly using a means of identification belonging to You without Your knowledge or permission with intent to commit or assist another to commit an illegal act.	
Insurance Providers	Inter Partner Assistance SA who are a wholly owned subsidiary of AA Assistance` SA and part of the worldwide AA` Group.	

Insured Incident	The incident or the first of a series of incidents which may lead to a claim under this insurance. Only one Insured Incident shall be deemed to have arisen from all causes of action, incidents or events that are related by cause or time. In a claim arising from Identity Theft the Insured Incident is a single act or the start of a series of single acts against You by one person or group of people.	
Insured Period	One year from the inception or renewal date shown on Your insurance schedule.	
Legal Action(s)	The pursuit or defence of civil legal cases for damages or injunctions as defined in each section of cover.	
Standard Advisers' Costs	The level of Advisers' Costs that would normally be incurred using a nominated Adviser of Our choice.	
Territorial Limits	Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands.	
We / Us / Our	Arc Legal Assistance Limited who have arranged this insurance and who administer it on behalf of the Insurance Providers .	
You / Your	Any person who has paid the premium, or on whose behalf the premium has been paid and been declared to Us by Your insurance advisor and is permanently resident at the property covered under the household insurance to which this cover attaches. Cover also applies to Your family members normally resident with You . If You die Your personal representatives will be covered to pursue or defend cases covered by this insurance on Your behalf that arose prior to Your death.	

COVER

Section	What is insured?	What is not insured?
Consumer Pursuit	Advisers' Costs to pursue a Legal Action following a breach of a contract You have for buying or renting goods or services for Your private use. This includes the purchase of Your main home. The contract must have been made after You first purchased this insurance and, in respect of disputes over the purchase of Your main home, the purchase must have commenced at least 180 days after You first purchased this insurance or purchased similar insurance which expired immediately before this insurance began.	Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT Involving a motor vehicle owned by You In respect of works undertaken or to be undertaken by or under the order of any government or public or local authority
Personal Injury	Advisers' Costs to pursue a Legal Action for financial compensation for damages following an accident resulting in Your personal injury or death against the person or organisation directly responsible.	Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT Arising from medical or clinical treatment, advice, assistance or care Arising from stress, psychological or emotional injury Arising from illness, personal injury or death which is caused gradually or is not caused by a specific event Involving a motor vehicle owned by You
Clinical Negligence	Advisers' Costs to pursue a Legal Action for financial compensation for damages following clinical negligence resulting in Your personal injury or death against the person or organisation directly responsible.	Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT Arising from stress, psychological or emotional injury
Professional Negligence	Advisers' Costs to pursue a Legal Action for financial compensation for damages arising from the professional negligence of Your solicitor, accountant or surveyor.	Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT In respect of works undertaken or to be undertaken by or under the order of any government or public or local authority

Section	What is insured?	What is not insured?
Employment Disputes	Advisers' Costs to pursue a Legal Action brought before an Employment Tribunal (or its equivalent in Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man) against an employer or ex-employer for breach of Your contract of employment.	 Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT Where the breach of contract occurred within the first 90 days after You first purchased this insurance or purchased similar insurance which expired immediately before this insurance began For a dispute with an employer or exemployer unless it is pursued in an Employment Tribunal (or its equivalent in Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man) For Advisers' Costs of any disciplinary investigatory or grievance procedure connected with Your contract of employment or the costs associated with any compromise agreement Where the breach of contract is alleged to have commenced or to have continued after termination of Your employment For an allegation of less favourable treatment between men and women in terms of pay and conditions of employment For Advisers' Costs awarded by an Employment or Employment Appeals Tribunal that You are ordered or agree to pay
Property Damage	Advisers' Costs to pursue a Legal Action for financial compensation for damages against a person or organisation that causes physical damage to Your main home or Your personal effects. The damage must have been caused after You first purchased this insurance.	Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT In respect of works undertaken or to be undertaken by or under the order of any government or public or local authority

Section	What is insured?	What is not insured?
Consumer Defence	Advisers' Costs to defend a Legal Action brought against You following a breach of a contract You have for selling goods (in a private capacity) for the private and personal use of another person. This includes the sale of Your main home. The contract must have been made after the You first purchased this insurance and, in respect of disputes over the sale of Your main home, the sale must have commenced at least 180 days after You first purchased this insurance or purchased similar insurance which expired immediately before this insurance began.	Claims: Where the amount in dispute is less than £500 plus VAT Involving a motor vehicle owned by You or which You are legally responsible for In respect of works undertaken or to be undertaken by or under the order of any government or public or local authority
Personal Identity Theft	 Advisers' Costs in a Legal Action in respect of Insured Incidents arising from Identity Theft:- To deal with all organisations that have been fraudulently applied to for credit, goods or services in Your name or which are seeking monies or have sought monies from You as a result of Identity Theft In order to liaise with credit referencing agencies and all other relevant organisation on Your behalf to advise that You have been the victim of Identity Theft To defend Your legal rights and/or take reasonable steps to remove County Court Judgments against You that have been obtained by an organisation that You are alleged to have purchased, hired or leased goods or services from. Cover is only available if You deny having entered in to the contract and allege that You have been the victim of Identity Theft. 	 Claims: Where You have not been the victim of Identity Theft Where the Insured Incident began to occur within 30 days of You first purchasing this insurance or similar insurance which expired immediately before this insurance began Where the Insured Incident began to occur or had occurred before You purchased this insurance Where the claim is false or fraudulent Where You did not take reasonable precautions against Identity Theft or take action to protect yourself from Identity Theft Where the Identity Theft has been carried out by somebody living with You For Advisers' Costs arising from loss of cash from a bank, building society, credit union or other similar financial institution where that institution has refused to cover the loss For any losses other than Advisers' Costs incurred by You as a result of Identity Theft You must agree to be added to the CIFAS Protection Register if We recommend it.

TELEPHONE HELPLINES

Legal Helpline

Use the 24 hour advisory service for telephone advice on any private legal problem of concern to **You** or any member of **Your** household.

Specialist lawyers are at hand to help **You**. If **You** need a lawyer or accountant to act for **You** and **Your** problem is covered under this insurance, the Helpline will ask **You** to complete and submit a claim form online by visiting: www.arclegal.co.uk/informationcentre

Alternatively they will send a claim form to **You**. If **Your** problem is not covered under this insurance, the Helpline may be able to offer **You** assistance under a private funding arrangement.

Simply telephone **0344 770 1044**. When speaking to the advisor please quote: "**Pen Underwriting Family Legal Expenses**". For **Our** joint protection telephone calls may be recorded and/or monitored.

Domestic Emergency

Use the Helpline following an emergency in the home for which a tradesman's assistance is required.

The Helpline will source and deploy an approved tradesman to **Your** home. **You** will be responsible for the tradesman's charges.

Where appropriate **We** may substitute deployment of a tradesman with the provision of technical advice over the telephone giving **You** the means to rectify the problem yourself.

Simply telephone **0344 770 1064** and select **Option 1 – Domestic Helpline**. When speaking to the advisor please quote: "Pen Underwriting Domestic Helpline"

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

1. There is no cover where:-

- The Insured Incident began to start or had started before You bought this insurance
- You should reasonably have known when buying this insurance that the circumstances leading to a claim under this
 insurance already existed
- A reasonable estimate of Your Advisers' Costs of acting for You is more than the amount in dispute
- You fail to give full information or facts to Us or to the Adviser on a matter material to Your claim
- Something You do or fail to do prejudices Your position or the position of the Insurance Providers in connection with the Legal Action
- Advisers' Costs or any other costs and expenses incurred which have not been agreed in advance or are above those for which We have given Our prior written approval
- Where You have other legal expenses insurance cover

2. There is no cover for:-

- The Excess
- Advisers' Costs or any other costs incurred in avoidable correspondence or which are recoverable from a court, tribunal or other party or which are not reasonable or necessary
- The amount of Advisers' Costs in excess of Our Standard Advisers' Costs where You have decided to use an Adviser
 of Your own choice.
- Claims over loss or damage where that loss or damage is covered under another insurance
- · Claims made by or against Your insurance advisor, the Insurance Providers, the Adviser or Us
- · Any claim You make which is false or fraudulent
- Defending Legal Actions arising from anything You did deliberately or recklessly
- Appeals without Our prior written consent
- The costs of any legal representative other than those of the Adviser prior to the issue of court proceedings or a Conflict of Interest arising
- Any costs which You incur and wish to recover which You cannot substantiate with documentary evidence
- . Advisers' Costs if Your claim is part of a class action or will be affected by or will affect the outcome of other claims

3. There is no cover for any claim directly or indirectly arising from:-

- Patents, copyrights, trademarks, merchandise marks, service marks, registered designs, intellectual or artistic
 property, secrecy or confidentiality agreements and passing off
- Planning law
- Constructing buildings or altering their structure
- Libel, slander or verbal injury
- A dispute between You and someone You live with or have lived with
- A lease or licence to use property or land
- A venture for gain by You or Your business partners
- A dispute about either the amount an insurance company should pay to settle an insurance claim or the way a claim should be settled.
- An application for a judicial review
- A dispute with any financial services supplier arising from the sale or performance of products and services offered or provided to You
- Subsidence, heave, landslip, mining or quarrying

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Cancellation

You may cancel this insurance at any time by writing to Your insurance advisor providing fourteen days written notice. If You exercise this right within 14 days of taking out this insurance, You will receive a refund of premium provided You have not already made a valid claim against the insurance.

We may cancel the insurance by giving fourteen days notice in writing to **You** at the address shown on the schedule, or alternative address provided by **You**. No refund of premium shall be made.

2. Claims

- a) You must notify claims as soon as reasonably possible once You become aware of the incident and within no more than 180 days of You becoming aware of the incident. There will be no cover under this policy if, as a result of a delay in reporting the claim, Our position has been prejudiced. For claims relating to Identity Theft, these must be reported within 45 days of You becoming aware of the incident. You can complete and submit Your claim form online by visiting www.arclegal.co.uk/informationcentre. Alternatively, We will send You a claim form which must be returned promptly with all relevant information.
- b) We may investigate the claim and take over and conduct the Legal Action in Your name. Subject to Your consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld We may reach a settlement of the Legal Action.
- c) You must supply at Your own expense all of the information which We reasonably require to decide whether a claim may be accepted. If court proceedings are issued or a Conflict of Interest arises, and You wish to nominate a legal representative to act for You, You may do so. Where You have elected to use a legal representative of Your own choice You will be responsible for any Advisers' Costs in excess of Our Standard Advisers' Costs.
 The Adviser must:
 - i.) Represent You in accordance with Our standard conditions of appointment
- d) The Adviser will:
 - i.) Provide a detailed view of Your prospects of success including the prospects of enforcing any judgment obtained.
 - ii.) Keep Us fully advised of all developments and provide such information as We may require.
 - iii.) Keep Us advised of Advisers' Costs incurred.
 - iv.) Advise **Us** of any offers to settle and payments in to court. If against **Our** advice such offers or payments are not accepted there shall be no further cover for **Advisers' Costs** unless **We** agree in **Our** absolute discretion to allow the case to proceed.
 - v.) Submit bills for assessment or certification by the appropriate body if requested by **Us**.
 - vi.) Attempt recovery of costs from third parties.
- e) In the event of a dispute arising as to **Advisers' Costs We** may require **You** to change **Adviser**.
- f) **Insurance Providers** shall only be liable for costs for work expressly authorised by **Us** in writing and undertaken while there are reasonable prospects of success.
- g) You shall supply all information requested by the Adviser and Us.
- h) You are responsible for any Advisers' Costs if You withdraw from the Legal Action without Our prior consent. Any costs already paid under this insurance will be reimbursed by You.
- You must instruct the Adviser to provide Us with all information that We ask for and report to Us as We direct at their own cost.

3. Disputes

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

4. Reasonable Prospects

At any time **We** may form the view that **You** do not have a reasonable chance of winning the case and achieving a reasonable outcome. If so, **We** may decline support or any further support. In forming this view **We** may consider:-

- a) The amount of money at stake.
- b) Whether a reasonable person without legal expenses insurance would wish to pursue or defend the matter.
- c) The prospects of being able to enforce a judgment.
- d) Whether Your interests could be better achieved in another way.

5. English Law

This contract is governed by English Law.

6. Language

The language for contractual terms and communication will be English.

7. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

CUSTOMER SERVICES INFORMATION

How to make a claim

As soon as **You** have a legal problem that **You** may require assistance with under this insurance **You** should telephone the Legal Helpline.

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

Data Protection Act

It is understood by **You** that any information provided to **Us** regarding **You** will be processed by **Us** for the purposes of providing insurance, handling any claims and any other related purpose and which may require providing such information to third parties (including **Our** group companies). As a result **We** may transfer **Your** personal information to a destination outside the European Economic Area ("EEA"). **We** will take the necessary steps to ensure that **Your** information is treated securely and in accordance with this privacy policy

Customer Service

Our aim is to get it right, first time, every time. If We make a mistake, We will try to put it right straightaway.

If You are unhappy with the service that has been provided, You should contact Us at the address below. We will always confirm to You, within five working days, that We have received Your complaint. Within four weeks You will receive either a final response or an explanation of why the complaint has not been resolved yet plus an indication of when You will receive a final response. Within eight weeks You will receive a final response or, if this is not possible, a reason for the delay plus an indication of when You will receive a final response. After eight weeks, if You are unhappy with the delay, You may refer Your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. You can also refer to the Financial Ombudsman Service if You cannot settle Your complaint with Us.

Our contact details are:-Arc Legal Assistance Ltd PO Box 8921 Colchester CO4 5YD

Telephone: 01206 615 000 Email: claims@arclegal.co.uk

The Financial Ombudsman Service contact details are:-Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower

London E14 9GE

Telephone: 08000 234 567

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

Compensation

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if **We** or the **Insurance Provider** cannot meet **Our** obligations. **Your** entitlement to compensation will depend on the circumstances of the claim. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available at http://www.fscs.org.uk/ or by telephoning 0800 678 1100.

Authorisation

Arc Legal Assistance Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. **Our** Firm Reference Number is 305958. **You** can check this on the Financial Conduct Authority's register by visiting the website www.fca.org.uk/register or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on 0800 111 6768.

Inter Partner Assistance (IPA) is a branch of Inter Partner Assistance SA (IPA SA) based in Belgium. IPA SA is authorised by the l'Autorité des Services et Marchés Financiers in Belgium (its regulatory body) and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority here in the UK. IPA SA's Firm Reference Number is 202664 and its regulated activities are Miscellaneous Financial Loss, Legal Expenses and Assistance.

IPA is a member of the Association of British Insurers.

IPA SA's address details are:-

Inter Partner Assistance SA
The Quadrangle
106-118 Station Road
Redhill
Surrey
RH1 1PR
Registered Branch No:
FC008998

POLICY CONDITIONS

(The following Policy Conditions apply to all Sections of the Policy Booklet other than Section 4: Family Legal Expenses Insurance; Therefore, the definitions as noted on pages 8 to 10 apply to this page onwards.)

1. Information we need to know about

You must take reasonable care to provide complete and accurate answers to the questions **We** ask when **You** take out, make changes to, and renew **Your** Policy.

If the information provided by You is not complete and accurate:

- We may cancel Your Policy and refuse to pay any claim, or
- . We may not pay any claim in full, or
- We may revise the premium and/or change any Excess, or
- the extent of the cover may be affected.

2. Claims

Your duties

As soon as You are aware of an incident or cause which is likely to lead to a claim under this Policy, You must:

- (a) contact **Us** as soon as reasonably possible and provide all the information and help **We** need;
- (b) tell the police immediately about any property which has been lost, stolen or maliciously damaged and get a crime reference number;
- (c) do all **You** reasonably can to get back any lost or stolen property and tell **Us** without unnecessary delay if any property is then returned to **You**;
- (d) send **Us** all correspondence unanswered, including any legal or other documents **You** may receive;
- (e) avoid discussing liability with, or admitting liability to, anyone else without **Our** permission.

To help us settle your claim

It is **Your** responsibility to provide proof of any loss and therefore **We** may ask **You** to provide [receipts, valuations, photographs, instruction booklets and guarantee cards] and any other relevant documentation, documents and assistance **We** may require to help with **Your** claim.

Our rights

- (a) We may:
 - i. take over and defend or settle any claim, or right You may have against another person, in Your name;
 - ii. prosecute (in Your name for Our own benefit) any claim for indemnity or damages or otherwise.
- (b) We have the right to do as We see fit in legal action and in settling Your claim.
- (c) **We** have the right to enter any **Buildings** where loss or damage has occurred and deal with salvage. However, **You** are not entitled to abandon any property to **Us**.

Sum Insured Limit

For any claim or series of claims involving legal liability covered by this Policy, We will pay:

- i. up to the Sum Insured shown in this Policy Booklet or in the Schedule (less any amounts already paid as compensation)
- ii. any lower amount for which We can settle Your claim.

Once **We** have made the payment, **We** will have no further liability in connection with **Your** claim, apart from paying costs and expenses **You** incurred before the payment date.

3. Fraud

If **Your** claim is in any way dishonest or exaggerated **We** will not pay any benefit under this Policy or return any premium to **You**. **We** may also inform the police or other appropriate authorities.

4. Other Insurance Policies

If there is any other insurance covering the same claim, We will only pay Our share of the claim.

POLICY CONDITIONS (CONTINUED)

5. Cancellation

Following the expiry of **Your** statutory 14 day right to cancel (also known as the cooling-off period) **You** continue to have the right to cancel **Your** policy at any time during the **Period Of Insurance**.

If You do cancel Your policy after the "cooling-off period", You will be entitled to a refund of any premium You have paid, less a proportional deduction for the time You have been on cover, subject to no claims being made or notified during the **Period Of Insurance**.

If You wish to cancel Your policy please contact Your insurance advisor.

We (or any agent We appoint and who acts with Our specific authority) may cancel this policy by sending You 14 day's notice by recorded delivery to Your last known address. You may be entitled to a refund of the premium paid, subject to a proportional deduction for the time that You have been covered and subject to no claims being made or notified during the Period Of Insurance.

We will only cancel for a valid reason, such as:

- (a) non-payment of premium
- (b) suspected fraud
- (c) there is a change in risk occurring which **We** are unable to insure
- (d) We establish that You have provided Us with incorrect information
- (e) You breach any terms and conditions of Your policy

6. Your Duty to Keep to the Policy Conditions

To be covered by this insurance, You must keep to the terms and conditions of this Policy.

7. Arbitration

If **We** have accepted **Your** claim but disagree with the amount to be paid, an arbitrator will decide the matter. **You** and **We** must agree on an arbitrator in line with law at the time. If **You** cannot agree **We** have the right to apply to the president of the relevant national law society to nominate a suitable qualified person. **You** must wait for the arbitrator's decision before **You** can take any legal action against **Us**.

8. Renewal of the Policy

If **We** are willing to continue providing cover and **Your** insurance adviser advises **You** of **Our** renewal terms before expiry of **Your** existing Policy, **You** authorise **Your** insurance adviser to renew this insurance, and any subsequent insurance, on expiry in accordance with **Our** renewal terms at the time, unless **You** advise **Your** insurance adviser otherwise before **Your** Policy renewal date.

9. Your Duty to Prevent Loss or Damage

- (a) **You**, and any other person this insurance applies to, must take all reasonable precautions to prevent accidents, loss or damage.
- (b) All property insured by this Policy must be maintained in good condition.

Your Policy is intended to cover **You** against unforeseen events like fire or theft. It does not cover wear and tear or damage which happens gradually over a period of time.

10. Sanctions

We shall not provide any benefit under this contract of insurance to the extent of the providing cover, payment of any claim or the provision of any benefit where doing so would breach any sanction, prohibition or restriction imposed by law or regulation.

POLICY EXCLUSIONS

(The following Exclusions apply to all sections of the Policy Booklet other than Section 4: Family Legal Expenses

Insurance.) We will NOT pay for:

1. Radioactive Contamination and Nuclear Assemblies

Any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, or contributed to by, or arising from:

- (a) ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel;
- (b) the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.

2. War Exclusion

Any consequence whatsoever which is the direct or indirect result of any of the following, or anything connected with any of the following whether or not such consequence has been contributed to by any other cause or event:

War, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities or a warlike operation or operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, mutiny, rebellion, revolution, military rising, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power.

3. Date Change

Any loss or damage to any computer-related equipment which fails to correctly recognise a date change.

4. Computer Failure

Loss or damage to any computer related equipment caused by computer failure, computer error or any other malfunction.

5. Sonic Bangs

Loss or damage by pressure waves caused by aircraft or other aerial devices travelling at sonic speed or supersonic speeds.

6. Reduction in Value

Any reduction in market value of the property insured following repair or replacement paid for under this Policy.

7. Deception

Any loss or damage suffered by **You** as a result of being deceived into knowingly parting with property unless deception is used only to get into the **Home**.

8. Confiscation

Any loss or damage caused by confiscation, detention or seizure by

- (a) customs, police or officials;
- (b) order of any court of law;
- (c) any statutory or regulatory authority.

POLICY EXCLUSIONS (CONTINUED)

9. Terrorism

Any consequence whatsoever which is directly or indirectly caused by nuclear and/or chemical and/or biological and/or radiological means, or anything connected with those means, and which is the direct or indirect result of Terrorism, or anything connected with Terrorism, whether or not such consequence has been contributed to by any other cause or event.

Terrorism is defined as any act or acts including, but not limited to:

- (a) the use or threat of force and/or violence;
- and/or
 - (b) harm or damage to life or to property (or the threat of such harm or damage) including, but not limited to, harm or damage by nuclear and/or chemical and/or biological and/or radiological means;

caused or occasioned by any person(s) or group(s) of persons in whole or in part for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including, but not limited to, the intention to influence any government and, or to put the public or any Section of the public in fear, or is claimed to be caused or occasioned in whole or in part for such purposes.

This paragraph 9 on Terrorism applies only in respect of the **Buildings**, optional **Accidental Damage** cover to **Buildings**, **Contents**, optional **Accidental Damage** cover to **Contents** and **Personal Possessions** Sections of this Policy.

10. Pollution or Contamination

Pollution or contamination is excluded unless it is:

- the result of leakage of oil from a fixed domestic heating installation at the **Home**
- caused by Accidental Damage (unexpected and unintended damage caused suddenly by an outside force) during the Period Of
 Insurance at the Home and the loss or damage is reported to Us no later than 30 days after the expiry of the Period Of
 Insurance.

11. Other Actions

Any consequence whatsoever which is the direct or indirect result of any of the following, or anything connected with any of the following, whether or not such consequence has been contributed to by preventing suppressing or in any way relating to 2) War Exclusion or 9) Terrorism above.

NOTES



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