

# **Combined Liability Policy Wording**

#### **Allied World**

Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac is a private company registered in Ireland with its registered office at 3rd Floor Georges Quay Plaza, Georges Quay, Dublin 2, Ireland and its UK branch office at Floor 19, 20 Fenchurch Street, London EC3M 3BY. The company is authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland and subject to limited regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority. Details of the extent of regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority are available on request.

#### **Other Insurers**

Where insurance under this policy is provided by an insurer other than Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac the details of that insurer's company registration, authorisation and regulation will be stated in the **Schedule**.

#### **Notices**

Any notices to the **Insurer** or the **Insured** must be sent in writing to the relevant address shown in the **Schedule**.

## Interpretation

This document, the **Schedule** and any **Endorsements**, memoranda or specifications are to be read together as one contract. Any word with a defined meaning appears in **bold print** and its definition can be found either within the Section or **Endorsements** containing that word or in the General Definitions.

References to the singular include the plural and vice versa. The masculine includes the feminine and vice versa. A statute, statutory instrument, regulation or order includes any amendment or re-enactment of that statute, statutory instrument, regulation or order.

#### **Observance**

The **Insured** and any other persons indemnified by the **Insurer** under this **Policy** must observe the terms of the **Policy** and, to the extent that they relate to anything to be done or complied with, such observance is a condition precedent to the **Insurer's** liability to indemnify under the relevant Section of the **Policy**.

### **Complaints Procedure**

Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac is dedicated to providing every **Insured** with excellent service and is committed to handling any enquiry or complaint fairly and promptly. If an **Insured** is dissatisfied in any way with this **Policy** or wishes to make an enquiry, the **Insured** should contact either the intermediary that arranged this **Policy** or the Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac Complaints Team at the address shown on the **Schedule**.

If the Complaints Team is unable to resolve this within 24 hours from receipt of the complaint, the issue will be forwarded to the relevant insurers who will deal with the complaint in accordance with the FCA guidelines. The **Insured** will be immediately informed who will be handling its complaint and their contact details.

Where insurance under this policy is provided by an insurer other than Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac the details of that insurer's contact details for complaints will be stated in the relevant Section in this **Policy**.

#### **Financial Ombudsman Services**

If in the opinion of the **Insured** the complaint has not been satisfactorily handled, in certain circumstances it may be possible to refer the complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. Contact details for the Financial Ombudsman Service are set out below:

Financial Ombudsman Service South Quay Plaza 183 Marsh Wall London E14 9SR

Telephone: 0800 023 4567

Email: <a href="mailto:complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk">complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk</a>

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

## **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. This means that in the unlikely event that the company cannot meet its obligations under this **Policy**, the **Insured** may be entitled, depending on the type of insurance, size of the **Insured's** business and the circumstances of the claim against this **Policy**, to compensation under the scheme.

#### **Data Protection**

Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) dac is committed to compliance with the E.U. General Data Protection Regulation and any applicable implementing or supplementing laws, rules or regulations, and as each may be updated, amended or superseded from time to time. The **Insurer** may collect, use, store, disclose and otherwise process personal data for purposes such as assessing risk and providing insurance, administering a policy and assessing and managing claims. Personal data may be obtained by the **Insurer** directly from the **Insured** or via a third party such as an insurance intermediary. If such personal data is not provided, the **Insurer** may not be able to provide insurance, administer the policy, process a claim or make payments.

The **Insurer's** personal data privacy policy statement contains information on the types of personal data the **Insurer** collects; from where it collects such personal data; the purposes and lawful bases for why it collects such personal data; to whom it discloses or transfers such personal data, such as to related parties or third parties (including outside of the European Economic Area) to, among other things, provide services associated with this **Policy** or to verify information or prevent or detect fraud; and the retention of such personal data. It also contains information on how the **Insured** can exercise its rights, including, under certain circumstances, a right to access the personal data the **Insurer** holds about the **Insured**, to seek rectification or erasure of such data, to restrict or object to the processing of such data, to data portability, to lodge a complaint, or, where processing is based on consent, the right to withdraw consent.

Please see the **Insurer's** personal data privacy policy statement for further information in accordance with applicable laws at <a href="https://www.alliedworldinsurance.com/europe-uk">https://www.alliedworldinsurance.com/europe-uk</a>

A copy may also be requested from, or any personal data privacy queries directed to, <a href="mailto:dataprotection@awac.com">dataprotection@awac.com</a>

# **Combined Liability Policy**

This **Policy** is designed to provide liability covers for businesses and commercial enterprises. Please read this **Policy** together with the **Schedule** to ensure that it meets with the **Insured's** requirements.

This **Policy** only provides insurance in respect of the Sections shown as operative in the **Schedule**.

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# **Important Information**

## **Commercial Legal Protection Section**

Where operative, the insurance provided under the Commercial Legal Protection Section is underwritten by the **Insurer** named in the **Schedule**. Please refer to the Claims Information section of the **Schedule** for relevant contact details and other important information.

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## **General Definitions**

## Applicable to all Sections other than the COMMERCIAL LEGAL PROTECTION SECTION

The words defined below will have the same meaning wherever they appear in bold letters within the **Policy**, the **Schedule** and **Endorsements** 

**Buildings** means the buildings at the **Premises** and including:

- landlords' fixtures and fittings
- 2. outbuildings, extensions, annexes, canopies, fixed signs, gangways, conveniences, lamp posts and street furniture
- 3. walls, gates and fences
- 4. drains, sewers, piping, ducting, cables, wires and associated control gear and accessories on the **Premises** and extending to the public mains but only to the extent of the **Insured's** responsibility
- 5. yards, car-parks, roads, pavements, forecourts all constructed of solid materials
- 6. windows, fanlights, rooflights, skylights and glazing

Business means as described in the Schedule and will include:

- 1. the ownership repair and maintenance of the **Insured's** own property
- the provision and management of canteen, social sports and welfare activities for the benefit of the Insured or Employees
- 3. the provision and management of first aid, fire, security and ambulance services
- 4. the performance of private duties carried out by **Employees** with the written consent of the **Insured** for any director, partner or senior official of the **Insured**

**Contents** means the contents at the **Premises**, the property of the **Insured** or held by the **Insured** in trust for which the **Insured** is responsible including so far as they are not otherwise insured **Employees'**, directors' and visitors' personal effects of every description (other than motor vehicles) for an amount not exceeding £500 in respect of any one person but excluding:

- 1. Buildings, Stock, Target Stock, Office Computer Equipment, and Portable Power Tools
- 2. Money
- 3. Documents, manuscripts and business books except for the cost of the materials and of clerical labour expended in reproducing such records
- 4. computer systems records except for an amount not exceeding £10,000 in respect of the cost of the materials and of clerical labour and computer time expended in reproducing such records
- 5. any expense in connection with the production of the information to be recorded in documents, manuscripts, business books or computer systems records
- 6. vehicles licensed for road use including accessories thereon

Damage means sudden, accidental and direct physical loss, destruction or damage.

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

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**Denial of Service Attack** means any actions or instructions constructed or generated with the ability to damage, interfere with or otherwise affect the availability or performance of networks, network services, network connectivity or computer or other equipment or system which processes, stores, transmits or receives **Data** and includes but is not limited to the generation of excess traffic into network addresses, the exploitation of system or network weaknesses and the generation of excess or non-genuine traffic between and amongst networks, and the procurement of such actions or instructions by other computers, equipment or system.

### Employee means:

- 1. any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with the **Insured**
- 2. whilst working for the **Insured** in the course of the **Business** 
  - a. any labour master or labour only sub-contractor or person supplied by any of them
  - b. any self-employed person
  - c. any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with another employer and who is hired to or borrowed by the **Insured**
  - d. a prospective employee who is undergoing practical work experience or any person participating in any Government or otherwise authorised work experience, training study exchange or similar scheme
  - e. any person who is an outworker or home worker
  - f. any person who is a voluntary helper

**Endorsement** means an additional contractual term of this **Policy** agreed in writing between the **Insurer** and the **Insured** and incorporated by reference in the **Schedule** 

Excess means the first amount for which the Insured is responsible as specified in the Schedule

Goods means goods belonging to the Insured or for which the Insured is responsible all pertaining to the Business

**Hacking** means unauthorised access to any computer or other equipment or component or system or item which processes, stores, transmits or retrieves data

**Injury** means accidental: death; bodily injury, illness or disease; any psychiatric injury that results from accidental bodily injury, illness or disease

**In Transit** means being carried from the time the **Goods** are lifted to the time they are unloaded at their destination including:

- 1. loading and unloading
- 2. the use of recognised 'roll-on roll-off' vehicle ferries provided no unloading or re-loading of the **Vehicle** is involved
- 3. whilst temporarily housed on or off the **Vehicle** in the course of the said carriage but excluding any dismantling, installation, erection or testing

**Insured** means the person or persons or corporate body named in the **Schedule** 

**Insurer** means the entity named as "Insurer" in the **Schedule**. Where any Section of this **Policy** is provided by more than one insurer as listed in the **Schedule**, use of "the **Insurer**" in the singular refers to all subscribing insurers of that Section

**Limit of Indemnity** means the applicable limit, including any sub-limit or inner-limit, of the **Insurer's** maximum liability for any relevant claim under the **Policy**, as shown in the **Schedule** or stated in this document

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**Limit of Liability** means the applicable limit, including any sub-limit or inner-limit, of the **Insurer's** maximum liability for any relevant claim under the **Policy**, as shown in the **Schedule** or stated in this document

**Machinery Breakdown** means unforeseen, sudden, accidental and direct physical loss or destruction of, or physical damage to, any machinery or plant belonging to the **Insured** or held in trust and for which the **Insured** is responsible at the **Premises**, while in ordinary use caused by:

- 1. actual failure, breaking, distortion or burning out of any part of the machinery or plant arising from:
  - a. mechanical or electrical defects in the machinery or plant; or
  - b. failure or fluctuation of power supply; or
  - c. operator error or omission other than failure to maintain; or,
- 2. fracturing of any part of the machinery or plant by frost which renders the item inoperative

Machinery Breakdown also includes the resultant loss of coolant, lubricant, insulant, refrigerant or brine

Money means coin, bank and currency notes, postal and money orders, bankers' drafts, cheques, giro cheques, crossed warrants, bills of exchange, securities for money, postage revenue, national insurance and holiday with pay stamps, stamped national insurance and holiday with pay cards, national savings stamps or certificates, war bonds, premium savings bonds, franking machine impressions other than unused units in postage stamp franking machines, credit company sales vouchers, luncheon vouchers, trading stamps and VAT invoices, phone cards, which is the property of the **Insured** or for which the **Insured** is responsible in the course of the **Business** 

**Office Computer Equipment** means office computer equipment at the **Premises** the property of the **Insured** or held by the **Insured** on trust for which the **Insured** is responsible including media and peripherals used in connection with such equipment

**Offshore** means from the moment in time that an **Employee** embarks onto any conveyance at the point of final departure on land to any offshore installation until the moment in time that an **Employee** disembarks from any conveyance onto land upon their return from any offshore installation

**Perils** means the operative perils specified in the **Schedule**, as more fully detailed within the Property Insurance part of this **Policy**.

Period of Insurance means the period stated in the Schedule

**Personal Effects** means personal belongings of the **Insured's** drivers or attendants, excluding **Money**, credit cards, car audio equipment, televisions or jewellery

**Phishing** means any access or attempted access to **Data** or information made by means of misrepresentation or deception

**Policy** means this insurance policy wording document, the **Schedule** and any **Endorsements**, memoranda or specifications relating to this policy

#### **Pollution or Contamination** means:

- 1. all pollution or contamination of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere and
- 2. all loss or damage or injury directly or indirectly caused by such pollution or contamination

**Portable Power Tools** means portable power tools at the **Premises** for use solely by the **Insured**, the property of the **Insured** or held by the **Insured** in trust, for which the **Insured** is responsible

**Premises** means the premises declared to and accepted by the **Insurer** that are used by the **Insured** for the purpose of the **Business** and stated in the **Schedule** 

Premium means the amount stated in the Schedule, payable by the Insured to the Insurer

Professional Business means the professional business specified in the Schedule

Property Insured means the relevant property described in the Schedule

Rent means Rent Payable or Rent Receivable

**Rent Payable** means periodic payments made by the **Insured** for the lease of **Premises** not belonging to the **Insured** 

**Rent Receivable** shall mean the amount of rent received or receivable from, and payments for services provided in respect of, the letting of the **Premises** 

Schedule means the schedule attached to this document that forms part of this Policy

**Stock** means stock and materials in trade excluding **Target Stock** and **Stock In The Open** at the **Premises** described in the **Schedule** the property of the **Insured** or held by the **Insured** in trust for which the **Insured** is responsible

**Stock In The Open** means stock and materials in trade stored in the open at the **Premises** described in the **Schedule** excluding **Target Stock** the property of the **Insured** or held by the **Insured** in trust for which the **Insured** is responsible

Sum Insured means the relevant sum as specified in the Schedule

**Target Stock** means stock and materials in trade at the **Premises** described in the **Schedule** comprising cigarettes, cigars and tobacco, audio visual equipment, computer equipment, computer games, mobile phones and radios, photographic equipment and binoculars, non-ferrous metals, jewellery (including precious metals and stones), wines, fortified wines and spirits

**Tenants Improvements** means tenants improvements and alterations to the **Premises** 

Territorial Limits means anywhere in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man

**Terrorism** means any action, threat of action, or attempt at action, by any individual or group of individuals or body or organisation, whether acting alone, on behalf of, or in concert with any other body, organisation, or government, where such action, threat, or attempt is designed to influence, intimidate, or coerce, any government or international governmental organisation or the population or any section of the population, or any community, and the action, threat, or attempt, is made for the purpose of advancing a political, religious, or ideological cause

**Unoccupied** means empty, disused, unfurnished or no longer in active use by the **Insured** or any of the **Insured's** tenants

**Vehicle** means a mechanically driven conveyance including trailers whether attached or temporarily detached from such vehicle whilst **In Transit** 

**Virus or Similar Mechanism** means programme code programming instruction or any set of instructions constructed with the purpose and ability, or purposely used, to damage, interfere with, or otherwise adversely affect, infiltrate or monitor, computer programmes, **Data** files or operations whether involving self-replication or not, including but not limited to Trojan horses, worms and logic bombs, and the exploitation of bugs or

vulnerabilities in a computer programme to damage, interfere with, adversely affect, infiltrate or monitor as above.

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## **General Conditions**

## Applicable to all Sections unless otherwise stated

## Alteration in Material Facts (not applicable to Property Insurance)

After commencement of the **Policy** the **Insured** must give immediate notice to the **Insurer** of any alteration of fact or circumstance that materially alters the risk insured under this **Policy** including but not limited to any material change in the nature of or cessation of the **Business** or **Professional Business**; until the **Insurer** is advised of that alteration or circumstance and has expressly agreed in writing to accept liability for that altered risk, and the **Insured** has paid or agreed to pay the additional **Premium** (if any), the **Insurer** will not be liable to indemnify the **Insured** in respect of any loss due wholly or partially to that alteration or circumstance.

#### **Arbitration**

In the event of a dispute arising out of:

- 1. the interpretation of the **Policy**, including any question regarding compliance with its terms, its existence, validity or termination; or
- 2. the quantification of any amount payable under the Policy;

the dispute will be referred to an arbitrator, who will be appointed by the parties in accordance with the LCIA Arbitration Rules and the making of an award will be a condition precedent to any right of action against the **Insurer.** 

#### Assignment

This Policy and any rights under it cannot be assigned without the prior written consent of the Insurer.

#### **Authorisation**

The **Insured** will act on behalf of any person forming part of the **Insured** for:

- 1. Notification of any claim, loss, or circumstance;
- 2. Any other notifications required under this **Policy**;
- 3. Payment of Premium, including additional premium, or the receipt of returned Premium;
- 4. Negotiation and agreement of any **Endorsement** to this **Policy**;
- 5. Requests, and any subsequent agreement, of any extended notification period.

#### Cancellation

The **Insurer** may cancel this **Policy** during the **Period of Insurance** by giving 14 days' notice in writing. On cancellation by the **Insurer** the **Insured** will be entitled, subject to the application of the Premium Payment Condition and the Premium Adjustment and Audit Condition, to a pro rata return of **Premium** equal to the number of days unexpired of the **Period of Insurance** but subject to a minimum retention of 15% of the **Premium**, provided

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that no claim under the **Policy** has been paid or is outstanding (including the notification of any claim, circumstance or loss).

Notwithstanding this, subject to the Premium Payment Condition and the Premium Adjustment and Audit Condition, where the Directors and Officers Liability Section is stated in the Schedule as operative, the **Insurer** will continue to provide cover under the Directors and Officers Liability Section until the end of this **Period of Insurance**.

#### Coinsurance

Where this **Policy** is provided by the **Insurer** and co-insurers, as named in the **Schedule** (and notwithstanding the use of 'the **Insurer**' in this **Policy**), the legal obligations of each insurer are several and not joint and are limited solely to the extent of that insurer's proportion of risk as shown in the **Schedule**.

## Excess (not applicable to Employers' Liability Section or Professional Indemnity Section)

The cover provided under each Section of the **Policy** will be subject to the **Excess** for which the **Insured**, and not the **Insurer**, is liable. The **Insurer** may pay all or part of the **Excess** in respect of the settlement of any claim under this **Policy** and seek reimbursement from the **Insured**. If it does so, the amount of **Excess** paid by the **Insurer** must be reimbursed by the **Insured** at the **Insurer's** request.

#### **Fraudulent Claims**

If under this **Policy** an **Insured** or anyone acting for an **Insured**:

- 1. knowingly makes a fraudulent or an exaggerated claim under this **Policy**; or
- 2. knowingly makes a false statement in support of a claim under this **Policy** or submits false or forged document in support of such claim; or
- 3. makes a claim under this **Policy** caused by or in connection with the **Insured's** wilful misconduct or caused or in connection with the **Insured's** agreement, knowledge or collusion; or
- 4. otherwise knowingly provides untrue or misleading information to the **Insurer** or those acting for the **Insurer**, whether or not such information is material to the **Insured's** right to recover under this **Policy**;

the **Insurer** will refuse to pay such claim or any other claim under this **Policy** thereafter and will terminate this **Policy** without any refund of **Premium**.

If any of the acts or omissions set out in clauses 1 to 4 of this condition are committed by or on behalf of an **Insured Person** and not by or on behalf of any other **Insured**, this condition should be read as applying only to that **Insured Person's** claim and references to "this **Policy**" should be read as references to the cover effected for that **Insured Person** alone and not to the **Policy** as a whole.

#### Law and Jurisdiction

Any dispute concerning the interpretation or application of the **Policy** is to be subject to, and will be construed in accordance with, the law of England and Wales; the parties further agree, subject first to the Arbitration condition, to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of any competent court within England and Wales and to comply with all requirements necessary to give that court jurisdiction.

## **Legal Representatives**

In the event of the death of the **Insured** the **Insurer** will indemnify the **Insured**'s estate, heirs or legal personal representatives in respect of liability previously incurred by that **Insured** that they would otherwise have been entitled to an indemnity under the **Policy**, provided that the estate, heirs or legal personal representatives observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms, conditions and limitations of the **Policy** in so far as they can apply.

#### Other Insurance

If any:

- 1. Damage to Property Insured, or
- 2. business interruption or interference, increased costs of working or loss of rent; or
- 3. legal costs and expenses or liabilities to third parties

covered by this **Policy** is also covered in whole or in part by any other insurance (or would be so covered save for the existence of this **Policy**) then:

- a. In respect of Damage to Property Insured, the liability of the Insurer under this Policy will be limited to their rateable proportion of that Damage. If that other insurance is subject to any condition of Average, this Policy if not already subject to any such condition of Average, will be subject to Average in like manner. If that other insurance is subject to any provision that prevents it from ranking concurrently with this Policy, either in whole or in part, or from contributing a rateable proportion, the liability of the Insurer under this Policy will be limited to that proportion of the Damage which the Sum Insured under this Policy bears to the value of the Property Insured
- b. In respect of business interruption or interference, increased costs of working or loss of rent the liability of the **Insurer** under this **Policy** will be limited to their rateable proportion of such loss;
- c. In respect of legal costs and expenses or liabilities to third parties, the **Insurer's** liability will apply in excess of and not in contribution with that other insurance.

#### **Notification**

Sections of the **Policy** contain terms relating to the **Insured's** obligation to notify the **Insurer** of matters for which the **Insured** may wish to seek an indemnity for under that Section. The **Insured** is required to carefully read and comply with such terms as appropriate; some of these have the force and effect of conditions precedent which means that any failure to comply with them may affect the **Insured's** entitlement to indemnity under the **Policy**.

#### **Premium Adjustment and Audit**

Where any part of the **Premium** is based on estimates furnished by the **Insured**, the **Insured** must:

- 1. keep an accurate record containing all relevant particulars,
- allow the **Insurer** to inspect those records,
- supply those records as the Insurer may require within 30 days from the expiry of the Period of Insurance;
- 4. supply an auditor's certificate in support of those records if so requested by the Insurer

Based on those records, the **Premium** will be adjusted by the **Insurer**, subject to any minimum that may apply. If the **Insured** fails to supply the records within the period stated above, the **Insurer** reserves the right to make an estimate of the records and adjust the **Premium** accordingly.

## **Premium Payment**

The **Insurer** must receive the **Premium** due under this **Policy** on or prior to the commencement of the **Period of Insurance** and in default of such payment this **Policy** is voidable.

#### **Reasonable Precautions**

The **Insurer's** liability to indemnify will only arise if the **Insured**:

- takes all reasonable precautions to avoid or diminish any liability or loss which may give rise to or has
  given rise to a claim under this **Policy**
- takes all reasonable precautions to prevent accidents or any activity that might give rise to a liability to a third party
- 3. takes all reasonable steps to comply with all applicable national or local laws, requirements and regulations
- 4. exercises due care in the selection and supervision of **Employees**

#### Renewal

This **Policy** or any Section of it will not automatically renew and unless an offer to renew is accepted, this **Policy** or any relevant Section will expire at the end of the **Period of Insurance** without notice.

## **Rights of Third Parties**

Other than where expressly provided for within the **Policy**, a person or company who is not a party to this **Policy** has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 or any subsequent legislation or amendment to enforce any term of this **Policy** but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists apart from that Act.

## Severability

In the event that any portion or Section of the **Policy** is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder will remain in full force and effect.

### **Statutory Regulations**

The **Insurer's** liability to pay any claim under this **Policy** relating to any pressure vessel or other machinery or apparatus (or its contents) belonging to or under the control of the **Insured**, which requires inspection or test under any statute or order or regulation, will not accrue unless that pressure vessel or other machinery or apparatus vessel, has been appropriately and satisfactorily inspected or tested and the **Insured** can demonstrate that it has implemented any actions thereby required.

## **Subrogation**

Any claimant under this **Policy** must at the request and at the expense of the **Insurer** do and concur in doing and permit to be done all such acts and things as may be necessary or reasonably required by the **Insurer** for the purpose of enforcing any rights and remedies or of obtaining relief or indemnity from other parties to which the **Insurer** is, or would become, entitled or subrogated upon its paying for or making good any loss under this **Policy** whether such acts and things are or become necessary or required before or after his indemnification by the **Insurer**.

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## **General Exclusions**

## Not applicable to Terrorism Section

## Applicable to all other Sections unless stated otherwise

## **Asbestos Exposures**

## Not applicable to Employers' Liability Section

This **Policy** does not cover any loss, cost or expense or liability directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting as a consequence of, or related to the manufacture, mining, processing, distribution, testing, remediation, removal, storage, disposal, sale, use of or exposure to asbestos or materials or products containing asbestos whether or not there is another cause of loss which may have contributed concurrently or in any sequence to a loss.

#### **Fines and Penalties**

This **Policy** excludes any liability for taxes, fines or penalties, punitive, aggravated, multiple, liquidated, exemplary or other non-compensatory damages or the consequences of non-payment or any additional damages under Section 97(2) of the Copyright, Design and Patents Act 1988 or any statutory successor to that section or any claim for indemnity deemed uninsurable by law.

## **Northern Ireland Civil Commotion**

This **Policy** excludes, in respect of Northern Ireland:

- Damage occasioned by or happening through or in consequence directly or indirectly of riot or civil commotion;
- Damage occasioned by or happening through or in consequence directly or indirectly of strikers, locked
  out workers or persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons save for Damage by fire or
  explosion.

#### **Radioactive and Nuclear Hazards**

## Not applicable to Healthcare Section

This **Policy** does not cover

- 1. **Damage** to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss; or
- 2. Any liability of whatsoever nature;

in either case, directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:

a. ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste or from the combustion of nuclear fuel; or

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b. the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof;

but as far as concerns **Injury** to any **Employee** which arises out of and in the course of his employment or engagement by the **Insured** this exception will apply only in respect of

- 1. liability of any principal
- 2. liability assumed by the **Insured** by agreement and which would not have attached in the absence of such agreement.

#### Sanctions

The **Insurer** shall not be deemed to provide cover nor be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit under this **Policy** to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose the **Insurer** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions, or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

#### **Terrorism**

## Not applicable to Employers' Liability Section

This **Policy** excludes **Damage**, liability, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with

- Terrorism regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss
- 2. any action taken in controlling preventing suppressing or in any way relating to Terrorism

If the **Insurer** alleges that by reason of this exclusion any **Damage** cost or expense is not covered by this **Policy** the burden of proving the contrary will be upon the **Insured**. In the event that any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable the remainder will remain in full force and effect.

## **War and Civil War**

This **Policy** does not cover **Damage** or legal liability directly or indirectly occasioned by happening through or in consequence of war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation or nationalisation or requisition or **Damage** to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority.

## Personal Accident Section

## PERSONAL ACCIDENT – INSURING AGREEMENT

In the event that an **Insured Person** sustains **Bodily Injury** during the **Period of Insurance** and **Operative Time of Cover** the **Insurer** will pay the **Insured** the amounts specified in the **Schedule** in respect of the following Events

#### **Events**

- 1. Death
- 2. Loss of Limb
  - a. In the case of a leg, permanent physical severance at or above the ankle or permanent and total loss of use of a complete foot or leg
  - b. In the case of an arm, permanent physical severance at or above the wrist or permanent and total loss of use of a complete hand or arm
- 3. Loss of Sight
  - a. The permanent and irrecoverable loss of sight
    - i. in both eyes
    - ii. in one eye if the degree of sight remaining after correction is 3/60 or less on the Snellen Scale (which means seeing at 3 feet what an **Insured Person** should see at 60 feet)
- 4. Loss of Speech or Hearing
  - a. The permanent, total and irrecoverable loss of speech or hearing
- 5. Permanent Total Disablement
  - a. The total and absolute disablement caused other than by (1) to (4) above which will entirely prevent the **Insured Person** from engaging in their usual occupation for the remainder of their life
- 6. Permanent Partial Disablement
  - a. The amount payable for Permanent Partial Disablement will be a percentage equivalent to the degree of disability as follows

ONE BIG TOE	10%
ANY OTHER TOE	5%
ONE THUMB	25%
ONE FOREFINGER	20%
ANY OTHER FINGER	10%
SHOULDER OR ELBOW	25%
WRIST	20%
HIP, ANKLE OR KNEE	20%
REMOVAL OF JAW	30%

b. The appropriate percentage will be applied to the amount payable for Event (5) or to the Maximum Limit Any Person under Event (5) whichever is the lesser

#### Provided that

 a. for forms of permanent disablement not specified the degree of disability will be assessed by comparison with the percentages shown in (6) (a) above without taking into account the **Insured Person's** occupation

- b. the total amount payable for more than one of the separate parts of a single body member will not exceed the amount which would have been payable in respect of that entire body member
- c. if the amount becomes payable in respect of an entire body member then the amount payable for parts of that body member cannot also be claimed
- d. the amount payable for **Bodily Injury** in respect of any part of the **Insured Person's** body already affected by a permanent disability will be reduced by the percentage amount that would have been payable if such pre-existing permanent disability had qualified for payment hereunder
- 7. Temporary Total Disablement
  - a. Disablement which temporarily prevents the **Insured Person** from attending to any part of the **Insured Person**'s usual occupation

The Insurer's liability will not exceed

- 1. the Accumulation Limit in respect of all **Insured Persons** for all claims arising from one event source or original cause
- 2. the Maximum Limit Any One Person in respect of an **Insured Person** for all claims arising from one event, source or original cause
- 3. in respect of any one **Insured Person** for all periods of disablement arising from one event, source or original cause the **Benefit Period**

as stated in the Schedule

## PERSONAL ACCIDENT – EXTENSIONS

## **Disappearance**

If during the **Period of Insurance** and **Operative Time of Cover** the **Insured Person** disappears and after twelve months it is reasonable to believe such **Insured Person** has died as a direct result of injury caused by an accident then the amount under Event (1) will become payable subject to a signed undertaking that if the **Insured Person** is subsequently found to be alive the amount paid will be refunded to the **Insurer** 

#### **Exposure**

If during the **Period of Insurance** and **Operative Time of Cover** the **Insured Person** suffers death or disablement as a result of exposure to the elements the **Insurer** will consider that as being **Bodily Injury** 

## PERSONAL ACCIDENT - DEFINITIONS

Notwithstanding the General Definitions of this **Policy**, the words defined below will have the following special meanings wherever they appear in bold letters within this Personal Accident Section

Annual Salary means for an Insured Person who is

- 1. an **Employee** (excluding a self-employed worker), the total annual remuneration, excluding payments for overtime, commission or bonus payable to the **Insured Person**
- self-employed, the annual taxable earnings after the deduction of relevant business expenses of the Insured Person

at the date of occurrence of the Bodily Injury

**Benefit Period** means the maximum period as stated in the **Schedule** for which amounts are payable for an Event such period commencing at the date the **Insured Person** first became disabled and ending no later than the stated number of weeks thereafter allowing for any **Excess Period** applied

**Bodily Injury** means injury which is caused by accident and which within twenty-four months from the date of such accident will result in the death or disablement of the **Insured Person** 

**Excess Period** means the period at the commencement of each and every period of disablement for which amounts will be payable as stated in the **Schedule** 

**Insured Person** shall mean any person or Category of person shown in the **Schedule** under 65 years of age at the commencement of the **Period of Insurance** 

Operative Time of Cover means the operative time of cover as stated in the Schedule

Weekly Wage means for an Insured Person who is

- an Employee (excluding a self-employed worker), the total weekly remuneration excluding payments for overtime, commission or bonus payable to the Insured Person at the date of occurrence of the Bodily Injury
- 2. self-employed, the average taxable earnings after the deduction of relevant business expenses of the **Insured Person** for the preceding 13 weeks prior to the date of occurrence of the **Bodily Injury**

## PERSONAL ACCIDENT – CONDITIONS

The Insurer's liability under this Personal Accident Section will be limited to

- 1. only one of Events (1) to (6) above in respect of all **Bodily Injury** sustained by an **Insured Person** arising from any one event source or original cause
- 2. in respect of Events (1) to (6) other than in respect of Directors of the **Insured** the equivalent of up to 5 times the **Insured Person's Annual Salary** or the amount stated in the **Schedule** (whichever is the lesser)
- 3. in respect of Events (7) the amount equivalent to a maximum of 75% the **Insured Person's Weekly Wage** or the amount stated in the **Schedule** (whichever is the lesser)

Any payments under Event (7) will cease upon any payment under Events (1) to (6)

Any payment made under Events (6) or (7) will be deducted from that which is consequently paid under Events (1) to (5)

If Event (1) is not covered the **Insurer** will not be liable to pay any compensation under Events (2) to (5) should the **Insured Person's** death occur within thirteen weeks of the accident causing the **Bodily Injury** 

In the event that an **Insured Person** is included under more than one Category within the **Schedule** then the amount payable as a result of sustaining **Bodily Injury** will be the highest stated amount and not cumulative.

## PERSONAL ACCIDENT – EXCLUSIONS

The **Insurer** will not be liable to pay any claim under this Personal Accident Section

- 1. which arises directly or indirectly from or in connection with or is aggravated by
  - a. an Insured Person
    - i. committing a criminal act

- ii. committing or attempting to commit suicide or intentional self-injury
- iii. flying other than as a passenger
- iv. engaging or taking part in armed forces services or operations
- v. taking part in professional sports
- vi. engaging in motorcycling as either a driver or a passenger
- vii. being under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- viii. riding or driving in any kind of race sky diving rock climbing or show jumping
- b. any physical or psychological impairment, defect, chronic or recurring disease, disorder or other condition that the **Insured Person** has required treatment for sought medical advice on or has suffered in the 12 months prior to inception of this Personal Accident Section
- c. any gradually operating cause
- d. invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not) civil war or any act condition or warlike operation incidental to war
- e. warlike action by a regular or irregular military force or civilian agents or any action taken by any government, sovereign or other authority to hinder or defend against an actual or expected attack
- f. insurrection, rebellion, revolution, attempt to usurp power or popular uprising or any action taken by governmental or martial authority in hindering or defending against any of these
- g. the discharge, explosion or use of a weapon of mass destruction employing nuclear fission or fusion or chemical biological radioactive or similar agents by any party at any time for any reason
- h. radioactive contamination
- 2. in respect of the Excess Period stated in the Schedule

# General Liability Insurance

## **GENERAL LIABILITY – EXTENSIONS**

Applicable to Employers' Liability, Public Liability and Product Liability Sections unless otherwise stated

#### **Court Attendance Costs**

In the event of any of the under mentioned persons attending court as a witness at the request of the **Insurer** in connection with a claim in respect of which the **Insured** is entitled to indemnity under any General Liability Section, the **Insurer** will provide compensation to the **Insured** at the following rates per day for each day on which attendance is required

- 1. £250 for the **Insured** or any of the directors or partners of the **Insured**; and
- 2. £100 for any Employee

#### **Cross Liabilities**

If the **Insured** comprises more than one party the **Insurer** will, under the Public Liability or Product Liability Sections, provide indemnity to each such **Insured** in the same manner and to the same extent as if a separate policy had been issued to each of them

Provided that nothing in this Extension increases the liability of the **Insurer** to pay any amount exceeding the **Limit of Liability** regardless of the number of persons claiming to be indemnified

## **Health and Safety at Work Act and Corporate Manslaughter**

The **Insurer** will indemnify the **Insured** and, at the request of the **Insured**, any director, partner or **Employee** of the **Insured**, in respect of legal costs and expenses incurred with the **Insurer's** consent in the defence of any prosecution or incurred in connection with appeal against conviction arising from such prosecution under the provisions of

- 1. the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 or the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978; or
- 2. the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007

#### Provided that

- the proceedings relate to an offence alleged to have been committed during the **Period of Insurance** and in the course of the **Business** and in connection with a claim in respect of which the **Insured** is entitled to indemnity under this **Policy**; and
- 2. the Insurer will not provide indemnity in respect of
  - a. fines or penalties of any kind, remedial or publicity orders, or prosecution costs imposed as a consequence of such prosecution; and
  - b. any circumstances for which indemnity is provided by any other insurance; and

- c. proceedings consequent upon a deliberate act by, or omission of, any person otherwise entitled to indemnity under this Extension if the result thereof could reasonably have been expected having regard to the nature and circumstances of such act or omission; and
- d. proceedings which arise out of any activity or risk excluded from this Policy
- The liability of the Insurer in respect of all such legal costs and expenses will not exceed the sum of £1,000,000 in respect of each and every occurrence of proceedings whether relating to one or more alleged offences

## **Indemnity to Principal**

The **Insurer** will, subject otherwise to the terms, exceptions, conditions and **Endorsements** of this **Policy**, indemnify any principal under the Employers' Liability or Public Liability Sections against liability in respect of **Injury** or **Damage** to property to the extent that any contract or agreement entered into by the **Insured** with any principal so requires

#### Provided that

- 1. an indemnity would have been provided had a claim been made against the Insured; and
- 2. the principal will observe, fulfil and be subject to, the terms and conditions of this **Policy** as far as they can apply; and
- 3. the conduct and control of claims is vested in the Insurer; and
- 4. the indemnity will not apply to liability in respect of liquidated damages or under any penalty clause; and
- 5. the indemnity granted under the Employers' Liability Section will only apply in respect of liability to any person who is an **Employee**

## GENERAL LIABILITY – DEFINITIONS

The words defined below are additional definitions for the General Liability Sections. The words will have the same meaning wherever they appear in bold letters within a General Liability Section and the **Schedule** and **Endorsements** in respect of the General Liability Sections and take precedence over any General Definitions to the contrary.

**Damages** means compensatory damages awarded by a court. It does not mean:

- 1. that part of a damages award that results from the multiplication of compensatory damages; or
- 2. aggravated damages; or
- 3. exemplary damages; or
- 4. fines, penalties or other pecuniary sanction;

imposed by a court or state authority or agency

**Products** means any goods or products (including containers, labelling instructions or advice provided in connection therewith) manufactured, sold, supplied, erected, repaired, altered, treated, transported, serviced or installed by the **Insured** in the course of the **Business** 

## **GENERAL LIABILITY – CONDITIONS**

## **Personal Protective Equipment**

It is a condition that

- 1. all Employees are made aware of the dangers of not using personal protective equipment; and
- 2. personal protective equipment is provided by the **Insured**; and
- 3. a register is maintained which demonstrates that **Employees** have received appropriate training, and are fully conversant with, the way in which to access such personal protective equipment

#### **Sub-Contractors**

It is a condition precedent to liability that the **Insured** will take all reasonable steps to ensure all sub-contractors have Employers' Liability and Public Liability insurances in respect of liability at law for **Injury** and **Damage** to property arising in connection with the **Business** and that

- 1. the **Limit of Liability** of the Public Liability insurance be not less than £5,000,000 in respect of any one claim or number of claims arising out of one cause; and
- 2. such insurances have been extended to indemnify the **Insured** as principal against all liability for such **Injury** and **Damage** to property

#### **Claims Procedure**

The following are conditions precedent to the Insurer's liability under the General Liability Sections:

- The Insured must give the Insurer notice of any event or circumstance that might give rise to a claim under any General Liability Section as soon as reasonably practicable, with the fullest particulars the Insured has obtained, and must continue to provide the Insurer with all additional information as the Insurer may reasonably require; and
- The Insured must forward to the Insurer any correspondence, letter of claim, Claim Form, Particulars of Claim, writ, summons, petition, notice of impending prosecution or other similar process that relates to any event or circumstance that might give rise to a claim under any General Liability Section, as soon as it is received by the Insured; and
- 3. The **Insured** must not admit fault to anyone or negotiate, offer or enter into any settlement of any claim without the prior written consent of the **Insurer**; and
- 4. The **Insured** must permit the **Insurer**, at the **Insurer**'s election, to take over the conduct and control of the defence, settlement, counterclaim or claim for contribution or indemnity, in the name of the **Insured**, and must support and cooperate with the **Insurer** to this end.

The **Insurer** may at any time pay the applicable **Limit of Liability** or any lesser amount necessary to settle a claim or a series of claims, including claimant's costs, and will after that payment relinquish the conduct and control of the defence of that claim or claims and will have no further liability to the **Insured** for that claim or those claims, including claimant's costs, or any defence costs incurred after that payment.

## **Defence Costs Apportionment (Not applicable to Employers' Liability Section)**

Where the amount of a claim for **Damages** against the **Insured** exceeds the **Limit of Liability**, the liability of the **Insurer** to pay any legal costs to settle or defend that claim, or to recover contribution or indemnity from another party, will be in proportion to the **Insurer's** share of the total **Damages** awarded or settled.

## **GENERAL LIABILITY – EXCLUSIONS**

## Applicable to Employers' Liability, Public Liability and Product Liability Sections unless otherwise stated

Notwithstanding any other terms of this **Policy** to the contrary, no General Liability Section will indemnify the **Insured** in respect of:

#### Jurisdiction

any claim brought against the **Insured** within the jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada or in any country or territory which operates under the laws of the United States of America or Canada or in respect of any order made anywhere in the World to enforce a judgment, award or settlement in respect of any such claim

## Pollution or Contamination (Not applicable to Employers' Liability Section)

any liability in respect of **Pollution or Contamination** other than caused by a sudden, identifiable, unintended and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the **Period of Insurance**. All **Pollution or Contamination** which arises out of such incident shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place.

## Epidemics and W.H.O. Declarations (Not applicable to Employers' Liability Section)

any liability arising out of:

- 1. an outbreak of a disease that becomes an epidemic whether or not declared to be an epidemic by any competent civil authority;
- 2. an outbreak of a disease declared or categorised by the World Health Organisation as a pandemic; or
- 3. a Public Health Emergency of International Concern as declared by the World Health Organisation.

For the avoidance of doubt, where an epidemic, pandemic or Public Health Emergency of International Concern occurs, the **Insurer** will not indemnify any such liability whether arising in the period prior to and following such epidemic, pandemic or Public Health Emergency of International Concern occurring or being declared.

## **Employers' Liability Section**

## **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY - INSURING AGREEMENT**

The **Insurer** will indemnify the **Insured** against

- all sums which the Insured becomes legally liable to pay as Damages including related claimants' legal
  costs for Injury sustained by any Employee arising out of and in the course of his employment by the
  Insured in the Business and caused during the Period of Insurance
  - a. in the Territorial Limits including transits there between or
  - b. whilst outside the **Territorial Limits** temporarily for up to 90 days provided that any such **Employee** is
    - i. ordinarily resident within the Territorial Limits, and
    - ii. engaged by the Insured in clerical, supervisory or managerial work
- all reasonable legal costs necessarily incurred by the Insured with the prior written consent of the Insurer
  to settle or defend, or to recover contribution or indemnity from another party in relation to any claim
  against the Insured which may be the subject of indemnity under this Employers' Liability Section

## **Limit of Liability**

- The maximum liability of the Insurer payable under this Employers' Liability Section in respect of any one claim against the Insured or series of claims against the Insured arising out of one occurrence inclusive of all reasonable legal costs necessarily incurred will not exceed the applicable Limit of Liability
- Notwithstanding (1) above, the Limit of Liability will not exceed £5,000,000
  - a. where such claim is, or series of claims are, a result of **Terrorism** or
  - b. in respect of any event, directly or indirectly arising, resulting from, in consequence of, or in any way involving, asbestos or any materials containing asbestos, in whatever form or quantity

## **Rights of Recovery**

The indemnity granted under this Employers' Liability Section is deemed to be in accordance with the provisions of any law relating to compulsory insurance of liability to employees within the **Territorial Limits** but the **Insured** will repay to the **Insurer** all sums paid by the **Insurer** which the **Insurer** would not have been liable to pay but for the provisions of such law

## **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY – EXTENSIONS**

## **Unsatisfied Court Judgments**

Where a judgment for **Damages** including related claimants' legal costs has been obtained by any **Employee** or the legal personal representatives of any **Employee** 

- 1. in respect of **Injury** sustained by the **Employee** arising out of and in the course of his employment by the **Insured** in the **Business** caused during the **Period of Insurance** and
- 2. against any company or individual operating from or resident in premises within Territorial Limits

and such judgment remains unsatisfied, in whole or in part, 6 months after the date of judgment, at the request of the **Insured**, the **Insurer** will pay to the **Employee**, or the said legal personal representatives, the amount of any such **Damages** and any awarded costs to the extent that they remain unsatisfied

#### Provided that:

- 1. all reasonable steps must be taken by the **Insured** to enforce such judgment; and
- 2. the Insured would have been indemnified had Damages been awarded against the Insured; and
- 3. there is no appeal outstanding; and
- 4. if any payment is made by the **Insurer**, the **Employee** or the said legal personal representatives will assign the judgment to the **Insurer** and provide all reasonable assistance to the **Insurer** to enable it to enforce the judgment; and
- 5. this Employers' Liability Section is only operative at the time that such Injury is caused; and
- 6. the liability of the Insurer for Damages, costs and expenses will not exceed the Limit of Liability; and
- 7. there is no cover for judgments made in any court outside of the Territorial Limits.

## **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY – EXCLUSIONS**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify the **Insured** under this Employers' Liability Section against liability for **Injury** sustained by any **Employee** 

- in respect of which compulsory insurance or security is required to be arranged by the **Insured** under the Road Traffic Act 1988 or the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 or any subsequent legislation amending or replacing such Act or Order; or
- 2. whilst Offshore

If the **Insurer** is required by compulsory insurance regulations to make a payment in respect of **Injury** occurring **Offshore** then the **Limit of Liability** is £5,000,000 any one occurrence

## **Public Liability Section**

## PUBLIC LIABILITY – INSURING AGREEMENT

The **Insurer** will indemnify the **Insured** against all sums which the **Insured** becomes legally liable to pay as **Damages** including related claimants' legal costs for

- 1. **Injury** to any person or
- 2. **Damage** to property or
- 3. obstruction, trespass, nuisance or interference with any right of way, air, light or water or other easement or
- 4. wrongful arrest, wrongful detention, false imprisonment or malicious prosecution

arising in connection with the Business and occurring within the Territorial Limits during the Period of Insurance

In addition, the **Insurer** agrees to pay all reasonable legal costs necessarily incurred by the **Insured** with the prior written consent of the **Insurer** to settle or defend, or to recover contribution or indemnity from another party in relation to any claim against the **Insured** which may be the subject of indemnity under this Public Liability Section

## **Limit of Liability**

The maximum liability of the **Insurer** payable under this Public Liability Section in respect of **Damages** for any one claim against the **Insured** or series of claims against the **Insured** arising out of one occurrence will not exceed the **Limit of Liability**.

Where the **Insured's** liability in respect of such occurrence is indemnified under this Public Liability Section and another operative General Liability Section or other Section of the **Policy**, each of the General Liability Sections or other Sections will apply separately provided that the total amount to be paid by the **Insurer** for any such occurrence will not exceed the greatest of the available limits of liability among those operative Sections.

Any costs and expenses which may be the subject of indemnity under this Public Liability Section will be payable in addition to the **Limit of Liability** 

## **PUBLIC LIABILITY – EXTENSIONS**

### **Data Protection**

The indemnity provided by this Public Liability Section will extend to any claim for compensation under article 82 of the General Data Protection Regulation, for material or non-material damage, suffered by a third party, arising out of and in the course of the **Insured's Business**, first made against the **Insured** within the **Territorial Limits** during the **Period of Insurance** provided that:

- 1. the **Insured** is a data controller, as defined in article 4(7) of the General Data Protection Regulation, subject to section 6(1)(a) of the Data Protection Act 2018, and has paid the relevant fee under the Data Protection (Charges and Information) Regulations 2018; and
- 2. material or non-material damage was not caused by a deliberate or intentional act by, or omission of, the **Insured**, the effect of which the **Insured** knew or ought reasonably to have known would result in liability under the General Data Protection Regulation; and

- 3. the costs of replacing, reinstating, rectifying or erasing any personal data, or costs incurred in relation to a compliance order is excluded from this extension; and
- 4. liability does not arise as a result of the provision by the **Insured** of the services of a data processor, as defined by article 4(8) of the General Data Protection Regulation, but not including a processor within the meaning of section 6(2) of the Data Protection Act 2018, or the recording or provision of data for reward or for determining the financial status of any person; and
- the limit of indemnity will not exceed two hundred and fifty thousand pounds (GBP250,000) during the Period of Insurance; and
- 6. the **Insurer** will not provide indemnity:
  - a. for the first 10 per cent of each claim subject to a minimum payment by the **Insured** of £500 and a maximum payment by the **Insured** of £5,000; or
  - b. against liability caused by, or arising from, any incident or circumstances known to the **Insured** at inception of this Public Liability Section Extension which may give rise to a claim.

In addition, the **Insurer** agrees to indemnify the **Insured** for legal costs reasonably and necessarily incurred with **Insurer's** prior written consent for defending proceedings brought against the **Insured** under article 79(2) of the General Data Protection Regulation; any amount paid for these legal costs forms part of the limit of indemnity, which is shown at paragraph 5 of this extension.

#### **Defective Premises Act**

The indemnity provided by this Public Liability Section will extend to apply in respect of liability arising under Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972 or Section 5 of the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 in connection with any premises previously owned or occupied by the **Insured** for purposes pertaining to the **Business** and which have since been disposed of by the **Insured** 

Provided that the Insurer will not provide indemnity against liability

- 1. for which indemnity is provided by any other insurance; or
- 2. for the costs of remedying any defect or alleged defect in such premises

## **Leased or Rented Premises**

Notwithstanding Exclusion (2) of this Public Liability Section, this Public Liability Section will apply to liability for **Damage** to premises (including their fixtures and fittings) owned, rented, hired, let, loaned or borrowed by the **Insured** provided that the **Insurer** will not provide indemnity against liability assumed by the **Insured** under any contract or agreement which would not have attached in the absence of such contract or agreement.

## **Motor Contingent Liability**

Notwithstanding Exclusion (5) (a) of this Public Liability Section the **Insurer** will within the terms of this Public Liability Section indemnify the **Insured** in respect of liability to pay **Damages** for **Injury** or **Damage** caused by, or arising from, any motor **Vehicle** or trailer attached thereto not belonging to or provided by the **Insured**, being used by an **Employee** in the course of the **Business** 

Provided that the Insurer will not provide indemnity against liability

- 1. in respect of **Damage** to any such **Vehicle** or trailer or property conveyed therein or thereon; or
- 2. for which indemnity is provided by any other insurance; or
- 3. caused or arising whilst such **Vehicle** or trailer is

- a. engaged in racing pace-making, reliability trials or speed testing; or
- b. being driven by the Insured; or
- c. being driven with the general consent of the **Insured** or their representative by any person who, to the knowledge of the **Insured** or other such representative, does not hold a licence to drive such **Vehicle**, unless such person has held, and is not disqualified from holding or obtaining, such a licence; or
- d. used elsewhere than within the Territorial Limits including transits there between

#### **Motor Vehicles Tool of Trade Risk**

Notwithstanding Exclusion (5) (a) of this Public Liability Section, the **Insurer** will within the terms of this Public Liability Section indemnify the **Insured** for liability caused by or arising from

- the use of plant as a tool of trade at the Insured's premises or on any site at which the Insured is working;
   or
- 2. the loading or unloading of any Vehicle or the bringing to or taking away of a load from any Vehicle; or
- 3. **Damage** to any building, bridge, weighbridge, road or to anything beneath, caused by vibration or by the weight of any **Vehicle** or its load

within the **Territorial Limits** including transits there between provided that the **Insurer** will not provide indemnity against liability

- 1. in respect of which compulsory insurance or security is required under any legislation governing the use of the **Vehicle**; or
- 2. for which indemnity is provided by any other insurance

#### **Movement of Obstructing Vehicles**

Notwithstanding Exclusion (5) (a) of this Public Liability Section the **Insurer** will within the terms of this Public Liability Section indemnify the **Insured** for liability caused by, or arising from, any **Vehicle** (not owned or hired by or lent to the **Insured**) being driven by the **Insured** or by any **Employee** with the **Insured's** permission whilst such **Vehicle** is being moved for the purpose of allowing free movement of any **Vehicles** or pedestrians

#### Provided that

- 1. movements are limited to **Vehicles** parked on or obstructing the **Insured's** premises or any site at which the **Insured** is working; and
- 2. the **Vehicle** causing obstruction will not be driven by any person unless such person is competent to drive the **Vehicle**; and
- 3. the Vehicle causing obstruction is driven by use of the owner's ignition key; and
- 4. the **Insurer** will not provide indemnity against liability
  - a. in respect of **Damage** to such **Vehicle** or
  - b. in respect of which compulsory insurance or security is required under any legislation governing the use of the **Vehicle**

#### **Overseas Personal Liability**

The **Insurer** will within the terms of this Public Liability Section indemnify

- 1. the Insured; and
- 2. at the request of the **Insured** 
  - a. any director, partner or **Employee** of the **Insured** or

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b. any spouse or child of the persons stated in (1) or (2) (a) above who are accompanying such persons

in respect of liability incurred by such persons in a personal capacity in connection with an event occurring in a country whilst outside of the **Territorial Limits** temporarily for up to 90 days in connection with the **Business** 

#### Provided that

- 1. any person entitled to indemnity under this Public Liability Section Extension will as though they were the **Insured** be subject to the terms and conditions of this **Policy** insofar as they can apply
- 2. nothing in this Public Liability Section Extension will increase the liability of the **Insurer** to pay any amount exceeding the **Limit of Liability** regardless of the number of persons claiming to be indemnified
- 3. the **Insurer** will not provide indemnity against
  - a. liability for which indemnity is provided by any other insurance; or
  - b. liability in respect of **Damage** to property belonging to, or in the custody, or under the control, of any person entitled to indemnity under this Public Liability Section Extension; or
  - c. liability in respect of **Injury** to any person entitled to indemnity under this Public Liability Section Extension; or
  - d. liability caused by or arising from
    - i. the ownership or occupation of land or buildings; and
    - ii. the carrying on of any business profession trade or employment; and
    - iii. the ownership possession or use of animals other than domestic dogs or cats

## **PUBLIC LIABILITY – EXCLUSIONS**

The Insurer will not indemnify the Insured under this Public Liability Section against liability

- for Damage to property belonging to the Insured or in the custody or control of the Insured or of any Employee other than personal effects (including any Vehicle and its contents) of Employees or visitors;
- arising out of Damage to property (including its contents) where that property is owned, rented, hired, let, loaned or borrowed by the Insured unless such property is temporarily occupied by the Insured for the purpose of carrying out work on that property;
- 3. arising out of **Damage** to property which comprises or is to be incorporated into executed contract works undertaken by the **Insured**.
- 4. in respect of **Injury** sustained by an **Employee** arising out of that **Employee's** employment in the **Business**.
- 5. arising from the ownership, possession, or use, under the control of the **Insured** or of any **Employee** of the **Insured**, of
  - any mechanically propelled Vehicle, including anything attached to it, used in circumstances
    where insurance or security is required by any road traffic legislation, or where indemnity is
    provided by any other policy or security; or
  - b. any craft intended to travel through air or space, or other aerial devices, hovercraft or watercraft (other than hand propelled watercraft or sailing craft not exceeding six metres in length)
- 6. caused by any **Products** after they have ceased to be in the custody or control of the **Insured**, other than food or drink supplied primarily for the use of **Employees** or for entertainment purposes
- 7. that attaches by virtue of any express contract, agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee unless liability would have attached to the **Insured** in the absence of such express contract, agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee.
- 8. arising from professional advice given, separately for a fee or other remuneration, by the **Insured** or by anyone on the **Insured's** behalf or in circumstances where a fee would normally be charged

## **Products Liability Section**

## PRODUCTS LIABILITY - INSURING AGREEMENT

The **Insurer** will indemnify the **Insured** against all sums which the **Insured** becomes legally liable to pay as **Damages** including related claimants' legal costs for

- 1. Injury to any person; or
- 2. **Damage** to property

arising in connection with the **Business** and occurring anywhere in the World other than at the premises of the **Insured** during the **Period of Insurance** and caused by any **Product** 

In addition, the **Insurer** agrees to pay all reasonable legal costs necessarily incurred by the **Insured** with the prior written consent of the **Insurer** to settle or defend, or to recover contribution or indemnity from another party in relation to any claim against the **Insured** which may be the subject of indemnity under this Products Liability Section

## **Limit of Liability**

The maximum liability of the **Insurer** payable under this Products Liability Section in respect of **Damages** for any one claim against the **Insured** or series of claims against the **Insured** arising out of one occurrence will not exceed the **Limit of Liability**.

Where the **Insured's** liability in respect of such occurrence is indemnified under this Products Liability Section and another operative General Liability Section or other Sections of this **Policy**, each of the General Liability Sections or other Sections will apply separately provided that the total amount to be paid by the **Insurer** for any such occurrence will not exceed the greatest of the available limits of liability among those operative Sections.

Any costs and expenses which may be the subject of indemnity under this Products Liability Section will be payable in addition to the **Limit of Liability** 

## **PRODUCTS LIABILITY – EXTENSIONS**

### **Consumer Protection Act and Food Safety Act**

The **Insurer** will provide indemnity to the **Insured**, and at the request of the **Insured**, any director, partner or **Employee** of the **Insured**, in respect of legal costs and expenses incurred with the **Insurer's** written consent, in the defence of any criminal proceedings brought for a breach of Part II of the Consumer Protection Act 1987 and Sections 7 and 8 of the Food Safety Act 1990, including such legal costs and expenses incurred in an appeal against conviction arising from such proceedings and prosecution costs awarded in connection therewith

## Provided that

- 1. the proceedings relate to an offence alleged to have been committed during the **Period of Insurance** and in the course of the **Business** and within the **Territorial Limits**; and
- 2. the **Insurer** will not provide indemnity in respect of
  - a. fines or penalties of any kind; and
  - b. any proceedings arising from circumstances for which indemnity is provided by any other insurance; and

- c. proceedings consequent upon a deliberate act by, or omission of, any person entitled to indemnity under this Products Liability Section Extension if the result thereof could reasonably have been expected having regard to the nature and circumstances of such act or omission; and
- d. proceedings which arise out of any activity or risk excluded from this **Policy**
- e. any proceedings which the **Insurer** considers do not have reasonable prospects of success.

and:

3. the director partner or **Employee** will, as though they were the **Insured**, be subject to the terms and conditions of this **Policy** insofar as they can apply

## PRODUCTS LIABILITY – EXCLUSIONS

The Insurer will not indemnify the Insured under this Products Liability Section in respect of liability

- caused by or in connection with any **Products** which, to the knowledge of the **Insured**, are for export to or use in the United States of America or Canada; or
- 2. caused by any **Products** in the custody or control of the **Insured**; or
- 3. for any costs or expense incurred in repairing, replacing, removing, rectifying, recalling or making any refund in respect of **Products**; or
- 4. arising from **Products** used with the **Insured's** knowledge in connection with aircraft watercraft or offshore structures; or
- 5. that attaches by virtue of any express contract, agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee unless liability would have attached to the **Insured** in the absence of such express contract, agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee; or
- 6. in respect of **Injury** sustained by an **Employee** arising out of that **Employee's** employment in the **Business**; or
- 7. arising out of **Damage** to property where such property is or comprises or is to be incorporated into executed contract works to be undertaken by the **Insured**; or
- 8. arising from professional advice given, separately for a fee or other remuneration, by the **Insured** or by anyone on the **Insured's** behalf or in circumstances where a fee would normally be charged; or
- 9. arising from the ownership, possession, or use, under the control of the **Insured** or of any **Employee** of the **Insured**. of
  - a. any mechanically propelled **Vehicle**, including anything attached to it, used in circumstances where insurance or security is required by any road traffic legislation, or where indemnity is provided by any other policy or security; or
  - b. any craft intended to travel through air or space, or other aerial devices, hovercraft or watercraft (other than hand propelled watercraft or sailing craft not exceeding six metres in length).

# **Cyber Section**

## **CYBER - INSURING AGREEMENTS**

The **Insurer** will cover the **Insured** for **Claims** and **Losses** up to the **Limit of Indemnity** shown in the **Schedule** for this Section including claimants' costs and expenses, first made against or sustained by the **Insured** in the course of the **Business** within the **Territorial Limits** during the **Period of Insurance** and notified to the **Insurer** in writing, for;

#### 1. The Insured's losses

## 1.1 Breach of personal data

The **Insured's Loss** arising after the **Retroactive Date** where the **Insured** discovers or suspects a **Breach** has occurred. The **Insurer** shall cover;

- a. Breach Forensic Costs;
- b. Legal fees incurred by the **Insured** to manage the response to the **Breach**;
- c. Costs the **Insured** incurs to notify each affected **Data Subject** of the **Breach**;
- d. Costs the **Insured** incurs in notifying any regulatory body, including the Information Commissioner's Officer of the breach where the **Insured** is required to do so by law or regulation;
- e. Costs the **Insured** incurs to use a third party call centre to answer enquires from affected **Data Subjects**, following notification of the **Breach** to such **Data Subjects**; and
- f. Credit Monitoring Costs;

provided that they are incurred with the **Insurer's** prior written agreement. The **Insurer** will not cover the **Insured** for any **Loss** which arises as a result of any **Breach** caused by a supplier to the **Insured**.

#### 1.2 Business interruption

The Insured's Loss of Income during the Period of Restoration for any Increased Costs of Working, resulting solely and directly from an interruption to the Insured's Business which commenced during the Period of Insurance and lasting longer than the Time Excess, due to;

- a. the activities of a third-party who specifically targets Insured alone by maliciously blocking electronically the access to the Insured's Computer System, Programmes or data the Insured holds electronically; or
- b. a **Hacker** who specifically targets the **Insured** alone.

#### 1.3 Hacker Damage

The Insured's Loss after the Retroactive Date, caused by a Hacker:

- a. damaging, destroying, altering, corrupting, or misusing the Insured's Computer System, Programmes
  or data the Insured holds electronically, or any Programmes or data for which the Insured is
  responsible; or
- b. copying or stealing any **Programme** or data the **Insured** holds electronically or for which the **Insured** is responsible;

the **Insurer** will pay all the reasonable and necessary expenses incurred with the **Insurer's** prior written consent in replacing or repairing the **Insured's Computer System**, **Programmes** or data the **Insured** holds electronically

to the same standard and with the same contents before it was damaged, destroyed, altered, corrupted, copied, stolen or misused.

#### 1.4 Cyber Extortion

The cost of a ransom demand if the **Insured** receives an **Illegal Threat** from the third-party or, if the demand is for goods or services, their market value at the time of the surrender, provided that the **Insured** can demonstrate to the **Insurer** that:

- a. the ransom was paid, or the goods or services were surrendered, under duress;
- b. before agreeing to the payment of the ransom or the surrender of goods or services, the **Insured** made all reasonable efforts to determine that the **Illegal Threat** was genuine and not a hoax; and
- c. an individual within the definition of the **Insured** agreed to the payment of the ransom or the surrender of the goods or services.

#### The **Insurer** will also pay:

- a. the fees of the **Insurer's** appointed consultant, incurred by the **Insured** with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, for advising the **Insured** on the handling and negotiation of the ransom demand; and
- b. the amount of any stolen ransom, where such theft occurs at or in transit to the agreed location for payment of the ransom.

## 2. Claims Made Against The Insured

## 2.1 Privacy Investigation Claim

If, after the **Retroactive Date** specified in the **Schedule** for this Section:

- a. any party brings a **Claim** against the **Insured** for the **Insured's** actual or alleged:
  - i. breach, violation or infringement of any right to privacy, consumer data protection law, or other legal protection for **Personal Data**;
  - ii. breach of duty to maintain the security or confidentiality of Personal Data;
  - iii. breach of any duty of confidence, including in respect of any commercial information; or
  - iv. breach of any contractual duty to maintain the security or confidentiality of Personal Data;
     or
- b. The **Insured** is the subject of a **Privacy Investigation**;

#### The Insurer will pay:

- a. the amount agreed by the **Insured** and **Insurer** through good faith negotiation, mediation or some other form of alternative dispute resolution to settle a **Claim** or the amount to satisfy a judgment or arbitration award against **Insured**;
- b. any **Regulatory Award**; and
- c. Privacy Forensic Costs, Privacy Investigation Costs and Defence Costs.

## 3. Defence Costs and Expenses

3.1 Defence Costs and Expenses, Privacy Forensic Costs, Privacy Investigation Costs and Credit Monitoring Costs which are included within the Limit of Indemnity.

## **CYBER - DEFINITIONS**

Notwithstanding the General Definitions of this **Policy**, the words defined below will have the following special meanings wherever they appear in bold letters within this Section.

**Breach** means the unauthorised acquisition, access, use or disclosure of, or the loss or theft of **Personal Data**, which compromises the security or privacy of that information such that it poses a significant risk of financial harm to the **Data Subject**; or any unauthorised acquisition, access, use or disclosure of **Personal Data** which triggers the **Insured's** obligations under any statute, law or regulation to make any notification of such unauthorised acquisition, access, use or disclosure.

**Breach Forensic Costs** means following a possible **Breach**, the costs the **Insured** incurs for computer forensic analysis conducted by outside forensic experts to confirm the **Breach** and identify the affected **Data Subjects**, as well as outside legal fees necessary for the preservation of the lawyer-client privilege of forensic reports and findings.

Business means the Insured's business as specified in the Schedule and/or declared in the Proposal to Insurer.

**Circumstance** means something that may result in a **claim** against the **Insured**.

**Claim** means any written or oral demand for monetary damages or other relief including non-pecuniary relief or any civil, arbitration or adjudication proceedings including any counterclaim or appeal.

#### **Cloud Provider**

Any entity providing hardware or software services to **Insured** over the internet including the provision of software as a service, infrastructure as a service or platform as a service.

### **Computer Systems**

Any entity providing hardware or software services to **Insured** over the internet including the provision of software as a service, infrastructure as a service or platform as a service.

#### **Credit Monitoring Costs**

Following a **Breach**, the costs the **Insured** incurs to provide one year of credit monitoring services or other credit protection services to each affected **Data Subject**. Such services must be redeemed by the **Data Subject** within 12 months of the **Data Subject** first being offered such services.

#### **Data Subject**

Any natural person who is the subject of **Personal Data**.

**Defence Costs and Expenses** means any fees, expenses, costs and disbursements incurred in investigating, adjusting, settling or defending a **Claim** that may be covered by this Section. **The Insured's** internal or overhead expenses or the cost of the **Insured's** time is not included.

**Employee** means any person employed by the **Insured** under a contract of service or apprenticeship during or prior to the commencement of the **Period of Insurance**.

**Endorsement** means a change to the terms of the Section.

**Excess** means the amount specified in the **Schedule** for this Section.

**Hacker** means any third party or any **Employee** or **Persons Responsible** to the **Insured** who instigates a Hacking Attack.

**Hacking Attack** means any malicious specific or unauthorised electronic act including but not limited to denial of service phishing spear phishing Trojans botnets worms brute-force port scanning spoofing ransomware cracking or phreaking that has been instigated by any third party or any **Employee** or **Persons Responsible** to the **Insured**.

#### **Illegal Threat**

Any threat from a third-party to:

- damage, destroy or corrupt the Insured's Computer Systems, Programmes or data the Insured holds electronically, or any Programmes or data for which the Insured is responsible, including by specifically introducing a Virus; or
- 2. disseminate, divulge or use any electronically held commercial information which:
  - a. The **Insured** is responsible for;
  - b. is not in the public domain; and
  - c. will cause commercial harm if made public;

following any unauthorised external electronic access by that third-party.

#### Income

The net profit loss the **Insured** sustains during the **Period of Restoration** as a direct result of a covered cause of **Loss. Income** does not include:

- 1. Any **Loss** arising out of a physical cause or natural peril, including but not limited to, fire, wind, water, flood, subsidence, or earthquake;
- 2. Any **Loss** or expense arising out of updating the **Insured's Computer Systems** to a level beyond that which existed before the covered cause of loss.
- 3. Contractual penalties or consequential damages;
- 4. Any liability to third parties for whatever reason, including but not limited to, legal costs and expenses of any type;
- 5. Fines or penalties imposed by law;
- Costs or expenses incurred to identify, patch, or remediate software program errors or the Insured's Computer System vulnerabilities;
- 7. Loss of goodwill or reputational harm;

Costs to upgrade, redesign, reconfigure, or maintain **Insured's Computer System** to a level of functionality beyond that which existed prior to the covered cause of **Loss**.

### **Increased Costs of Working**

The reasonable and necessary costs and expenses incurred by the **Insured** for the sole purpose of minimising the reduction in **Income** from the **Business** during the **Indemnity Period**, but not exceeding the reduction in **Income** saved.

**Insurer** means the applicable Insurer for this Section as stated in the **Schedule** for this Section.

**Investigation** means a civil, criminal, administrative or regulatory examination, investigation or other proceeding conducted by any official body or institution empowered under statute to investigate the **Insured's** affairs. **Investigation** does not mean routine regulatory supervision, inspection or compliance reviews. Proceedings includes an appeal against the outcome of any initial proceedings.

**Investigation Costs** means reasonable fees, costs and expenses (except remuneration of any **Employee** or **Persons Responsible** to the **Insured**) incurred with the **Insurer's** consent (which shall not be unreasonably withheld) in connection with preparing for and attending an investigation.

**Limit of Indemnity** means our maximum total liability as specified in the **Schedule** for this Section or as may be specifically endorsed to this Section to cover the **Insured** within the terms and conditions of this Section.

Loss(es) means any financial harm caused to the Business.

#### Media Liability means:

- 1. defamation, libel, slander, product disparagement, trade libel, infliction of emotional distress, outrage, outrageous conduct, or other tort related to disparagement or harm to the reputation or character of any person or organisation;
- 2. misappropriation of any name or likeness for commercial advantage, or trade secret;
- 3. plagiarism, piracy or misappropriation of ideas under implied contract;
- 4. infringement of copyright;
- 5. infringement of trade dress, domain name, title or slogan, or the dilution or infringement of trademark or service mark;
- negligence concerning the content of any Media Communication, including harm caused through any reliance of failure to rely on such content. Media Communication means the display, broadcast, dissemination, distribution or release of media material to the public by the **Insured**.

#### Nominee

The person or entity named in the **Schedule** for this Section to whom notice of any **Claim, Loss, Breach, Privacy Investigation, Illegal Threat** or interruption should be given.

**PCI Charges** means charges, fines, penalties, levies, costs, expenses, assessments, contractual damages or imposition of liabilities of any nature arising as a result of the **Insured's** failure to comply with PCI Data Security Standards due to a **Breach**, including any sums in relation to card reissuance or fraudulent transactions.

#### **Period of Restoration** means the time period that:

- 1. begins on the date and time that the interruption of the Insured's Business first occurred; and
- 2. ends on the earlier of the date and time that the interruption of the Insured's Business:
  - a. ends; or
  - b. could have ended had the Insured acted with due diligence and dispatch.

In no event will the period of restoration exceed 60 days.

#### **Personal Data**

Any non-public individually identifiable information about a **Data Subject**, including but not limited to such information protected by the Data Protection Act 1998 or any similar or successor legislation.

**Persons Responsible to the Insured** means locum, consultant, sub-consultant or agent or self-employed person appointed by the **Insured** to perform services on the **Insured's** behalf so as to enable the **Insured** to perform **Insured's Business.** 

**Pollution** means any substance, solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant including but not limited to smoke, vapours, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste materials. Waste materials include, but are not limited to, recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed materials.

#### **Privacy Forensic Costs**

Following a **Claim** under Privacy Investigation Claim clause 2.1, the reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the **Insured** with the **Insurer's** prior written consent for forensic services conducted by outside forensic experts to defend a **Claim**.

# **Privacy Investigation**

Any official examination, official enquiry or official investigation brought against the **Insured** based on the same

allegations as a **Claim** under Privacy Investigation Claim, clause 2.1 a. i, ii and iv, conducted by any regulator, government department or other body legally empowered.

#### **Privacy Investigation Costs**

All reasonable and necessary lawyers' and experts' fees and legal costs, including **Privacy Forensic Costs**, incurred with the **Insurer's** prior written agreement in investigating, settling, defending, appealing or defending an appeal against a **Privacy Investigation**, but not including any overhead costs, general **Business** expenses, salaries or wages incurred by **Insured** or any other person or entity entitled to coverage under this Section.

#### **Programmes**

A collection of instructions that performs a specific task when executed by Insured's Computer Systems.

**Proposal** means the written proposal made by the **Insured** to the Insurer together with any other related particulars and statements that have been supplied to the **Insurer** and which have been taken into consideration by the **Insurer** when deciding whether to provide this Insurance and upon what terms.

#### **Regulatory Award**

Following a **Privacy Investigation**, any civil or regulatory sanctions, fines, penalties, disgorgement of profits, treble damages or multiple damages, including but not limited to those imposed by any national, federal, state or local governmental body or any licensing organisation, if insurable in the jurisdiction where such award was first ordered, but not including **PCI Charges.** 

Retroactive Date means the date specified against the retroactive date in the Schedule for this Section.

#### Subsidiary

An entity that has been identified in the **Proposal** for this Section and of which the **Insured** own more than 50% of the book value of the assets or of the outstanding voting rights as of the first day of the **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Territorial limits**

The applicable territorial limits specified in the **Schedule** for this Section.

**Terrorism** means an act of terrorism including but limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat of any person or group of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation or government, committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public in fear.

#### **Time Excess**

The period shown in the **Schedule** for this Section as the time excess, being the period immediately following an interruption during which no cover is provided under Cyber Business interruption.

Virus means a piece of unauthorised executable code which propagates itself through a Computer System.

#### **Insured, Insured's** means

- 1. The named insured on the **Schedule**;
- 2. any person who was, is or during the **Period of Insurance** becomes the **Insured's** partner, director, trustee, in-house counsel or senior manager in actual control of the **Insured's** operations;
- 3. any **Subsidiary**

# **CYBER – CONDITIONS**

# **Insurer's Total Liability**

The **Insurer's** total liability under this Section shall not exceed the applicable **Limit of Indemnity** stated in the **Schedule** for this Section for;

- 1. Any one Claim, Loss, Breach, Privacy Investigation, Illegal Threat, and interruption or;
- 2. All Claims, Losses, Breaches, Privacy Investigations, Illegal Threats, and interruptions arising out of or in connection with the same originating cause or source or
- All losses for which indemnity is available, including all Defence Costs and Expenses, Privacy Forensic
  Costs, Privacy Investigation Costs and Credit Monitoring Costs arising out of or in connection with the
  same originating cause or source.

The aggregate limit stated in the **Schedule** for this Section is the most the **Insurer** will pay for all **Claims, Losses, Breaches, Privacy Investigations, Illegal Threats,** and interruptions arising from all claim(s), against the **Insured** during the policy period regardless as to whether a claim, occurrence or action gives rise to indemnity under more than one clause of this Section. If the **Schedule** is silent, the aggregate limit will be the **Limit of Indemnity**.

# **Cyber Business Interruption**

Following a covered Cyber Business Interruption under clause 1.2, the Insurer will pay;

- The difference between the Insured's actual Income during the Period of Indemnity and the Income it is estimated the Insured would have earned during that period or,
- 2. If this is the **Insured's** first trading year, the difference between the **Insured's Income** during the **Period of Indemnity** and during the period immediately prior to the interruption, less any savings resulting from the reduced costs and expenses the **Insured** pay out of the **Insured's Income** during the **Period of Indemnity**.
- 3. The **Insurer** will also pay for **Increased Costs of Working**. The **Insured** must bear the **Time Excess** in respect of each covered interruption.

# **Policy Excess**

The Excess stated in the Schedule for this Section applies in respect of;

- 1. Each and every Claim, Loss, Breach, Privacy Investigation, Illegal Threat, and interruption or;
- 2. All Claims, Losses, Breaches, Privacy Investigations, Illegal Threats, or interruptions arising out of or in connection with the same originating cause or source, or
- 3. All losses for which indemnity is available, including all **Defence Costs and Expenses**, **Privacy Forensic Costs**, **Privacy Investigation Costs** and **Credit Monitoring Costs** arising out of or in connection with the same originating cause or source;

falling to be dealt with under the insuring clause. The Limit of Indemnity is over and above the Excess.

# Confidentiality

The **Insured** shall not disclose the terms of this **Policy** or disclose the amount of the **Premium** paid to any third party except:

- 1. To the extent that the **Insured** is required by law to do so or by any regulatory authority as may be necessary to demonstrate to such regulatory authority that any mandatory insurance requirements of such authority have been satisfied, or
- 2. That the existence of the cover provided by this Section, lead insurer, Limit of Indemnity and Excess available may be disclosed to an insurer, to a client or a prospective client, wholesale broker or placing agent necessary to maintain agency facilities, provided that no such disclosure shall be permitted where the Insured are aware or ought reasonably to be aware that the person to whom disclosure is going to be made, has made, or is likely to make a Claim against the Insured or
- 3. To the extent that the **Insurer** consents to such disclosure which the **Insured** has sought, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.

# **Document Management**

The **Insurer** may hold the **Proposal** (including any attachments thereto) and any documents relating to this insurance and any **Claim** or **Loss** in electronic form and may destroy the originals. An electronic copy of any such document will be admissible in evidence to the same extent as, and carry the same weight as, the original.

# **Fraudulent Claims**

If the **Insured** shall knowingly make any false or fraudulent request in respect of any **Claim** or **Loss**, as regards amount or otherwise, the **Insured** will forfeit the right to cover only for the actual **Claim** or **Loss** in relation to which there has been a false or fraudulent request.

# **Indemnity to Employees**

At the **Insured's** reasonable request, the **Insurer** will cover any **Employee** provided the **Employee**, as though they were the **Insured**, observes and complies and is subject to the terms of this Section.

#### Interpretation

In this Section;

- reference to any Act, statute or statutory provision shall include a reference to that provision as amended, re-enacted or replaced from time to time whether before or after the date of the inception of this Section;
- 2. if any term, condition, exclusion or **Endorsement** or part thereof is found to be invalid or unenforceable the remainder shall be in full force and effect;
- 3. headings herein are for reference only and shall not be considered when determining the meaning of this Section.

# **Notification to Law Enforcement Authorities**

The **Insured** must inform, or allow the **Insurer** to inform, the appropriate law enforcement authorities where any

illegal threat was made, and keep the **Insurer** fully informed of all developments concerning any illegal threat or ransom demand.

#### **Other Insurance**

The insurance provided by this Section shall apply only in excess of any other valid insurance, with the sole exception of any insurance written as specific excess insurance over the **Limit of Indemnity** provided by this Section.

#### **Senior Counsel**

In the event that:

- 1. **The Insurer** recommends settlement of a **Claim** and the **Insured** does not agree to the settlement of the **Claim** and the **Insured** decide to contest the **Claim**; or
- 2. The **Insured** wish to settle a **Claim** and the **Insurer** does not agree to the settlement of the **Claim**;

Senior Counsel (agreed upon by the **Insured** and the **Insurer** or failing such agreement to be nominated by the Chairman for the time being of the Bar Council of England and Wales or where appropriate by a similar official of any similar body in any other applicable jurisdiction) shall advise whether the **Claim** should be settled or contested taking into account all likely costs, prospects of success and the damages and costs likely to be recovered by the third party claimant, and the **Insured's** commercial interest. The costs of this exercise will be allocated by the agreed or appointed party on a fair and equitable basis, and the parties will abide by that allocation. This condition applies to clause 2.1 only when the **Insured** and **Insurer** have exhausted all appropriate forms of alternative dispute resolution. For purposes of this condition, only definition (1) and (2) of **Insured** applies.

#### Subrogation

- Where the Insurer has paid a Claim or Loss covered under this Section, the Insurer will be entitled to any rights the Insured has against any party in relation to the Claim or Loss to the extent of the Insurer's payment.
- The Insured must assist the Insurer and provide information as the Insurer may reasonably require to
  exercise rights of subrogation, including bringing any action or suit in the Insured's name. This may
  include providing and signing statements and other documents and the giving of evidence.
- Any recovery received shall be applied first against any Claim, Loss or costs insofar as it exceeds the Limit
  of Indemnity, then against any payment made by the Insurer, and finally against the Excess.
- 4. The **Insurer** will not subrogate against any current or former principal, partner, member, director or **Employee** under this Section unless that person is found to have committed a criminal, fraudulent, malicious or dishonest act or omission.

# **Take Over and Mergers**

In the event of a take-over or merger where there is a sale or a merger with or acquisition by another entity such that the **Insured** is not the surviving entity and no longer: (a) controls the composition of the board of directors or (b) control more than half the voting power or (c) hold more than half of the issued share capital then this Section shall apply only to any **Claim** or **Loss** arising from the **Business** carried out prior to the date of such take-over or merger, unless the **Insurer** otherwise agrees.

#### **Waiver or Amendment**

The terms of this Section shall not be waived or amended except by **Endorsement** to form part of this **Policy.** 

#### **Claims Notification**

The **Insured** shall notify the **Nominee** as soon as practicable within the **Period of Insurance** or at the latest within 21 days of receipt of any **Claim**, or **Loss**, **Breach**, **Privacy Investigation**, **Illegal Threat** or interruption made against or suffered by the **Insured**, or an **Employee** or **Persons Responsible to the Insured** during the **Period of Insurance**.

If the **Insured** becomes aware of any situation during the **Period of Insurance** which may give rise to a **Claim** or **Loss, Breach, Privacy Investigation, Illegal Threat** or interruption, the **Insured** shall notify the **Nominee** as soon as practicable or at the latest within 21 days following such awareness.

Notifications made under this clause which subsequently give rise to a **Claim** shall in each case be deemed to have been a **Claim** made during the **Period of Insurance.** 

# **Co-operation**

As soon as practicable following receipt, the **Insured** must deliver to the **Nominee** any preliminary letter of claim, pre-action protocol letter, claim form, other legal procedural documents, summons, arbitration notice or other similar correspondence and documents to those. The **Insured** shall provide the **Insurer** with all information and assistance that the **Insurer** and the **Insurer**'s representatives and others appointed by the **Insurer** may reasonably require. Compliance with this condition will be at the **Insured's** own cost.

### **Legal Defence and Settlement**

- The Insurer is entitled but not obliged to assume the legal defence of any Claim covered under this Section in the Insured's name and the Insurer shall have full discretion in managing any negotiation or proceedings as to the resolution of such Claim
- 2. The **Insurer** shall be entitled to select and appoint the lawyers and other representatives that will defend and represent the **Insured** or **Employee** in respect of any **Claim**;
- 3. Subject to the conditions of this Section, the Insurer shall be entitled to settle a Claim if it so chooses;
- 4. The **Insured** agrees in relation to any **Claim** or potential **Claim** or **Loss** not to admit liability for or settle any such **Claim**, make any admission, offer payment or assume any obligation in connection with any **Claim** or potential **Claim** or **Loss**, or incur any costs in connection with any **Claim** or **Loss**, without the **Insurer's** consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld;
- 5. The **Insured** must not disclose the nature or terms of this insurance to any person unless required to do so by law or in compliance with the rules of their regulatory body, or in negotiating a contract with any client unless the **Insurer** has agreed to the disclosure in writing;
- 6. The **Insurer** shall not be liable for any settlement, costs, admission, offer, payment or assumed obligation without its consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld;
- 7. The Insurer may at any time pay to the Insured the Limit of Indemnity (having deducted any sums already paid) or any lesser amount for which such Claim or Loss may be settled and having paid that sum the Insurer shall relinquish the control of the Claim and be under no further liability in connection with the Claim or Loss;
- 8. Prior to settling any **Claim** or **Loss** within the **Excess** the **Insured** shall obtain from the claimant a signed form of discharge in full and final settlement of the **Claim** or **Loss** and the **Insured** shall advise the **Insurer** of the final amount for which the **Claim** or **Loss** was settled or resolved.

9. The **Insured** must ensure that **Insurer's** rights of recovery against a third-party are not unduly restricted or financially limited by any term in any of the **Insured's** contracts. If the **Insured** do not, the **Insurer** may reduce any payment under this Section by an amount equal to the detriment suffered as a result.

# **CYBER – EXCLUSIONS**

The **Insurer** will not cover the **Insured** for any liability directly or indirectly due to:

# **Assumed Duty or Obligation**

Any duty, obligation or liability incurred, entered into or assumed by the **Insured** which is not incurred, entered into or assumed in the normal conduct of the **Business**.

#### **Contractual Terms and Warranties**

- 1. Any express agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee;
- 2. any warranty or agreement providing a greater liability or a longer period of liability than that given under the original contract and to which such warranty or agreement is supplemental.

# **Credit Monitoring Costs**

#### **Credit Monitoring Costs** unless:

- 1. arising from a **Breach** of a **Data Subject's** National Insurance number, driver's licence number or other government issued identification number that can be used, in combination with other information, to open a new financial account; or
- 2. The **Insured** is required by any law or regulation to provide credit monitoring or credit protection services.

# **Death and Bodily Injury**

Death, bodily injury, psychological injury, emotional distress or anguish, shock, sickness, disease or death sustained by any person, unless such damage arises solely because of defamation or breach of privacy covered under clause 2.1 Privacy Investigation Claim.

#### **Defamatory Statements**

Any statement the **Insured** knew, or ought reasonably to have known, was defamatory at the time of publication.

#### **Directors and Officers**

Any breach by the **Insured** of a personal duty owed solely in the capacity of a member, director, secretary or officer of a body corporate.

### Dishonesty

Any fraudulent, dishonest, malicious or criminal conduct intended to cause harm to another person or **Business**, or any knowing or wilful violation of a law, whether committed by the **Insured** or committed by another whose conduct or violation of the law the **Insured** has ratified or actively condoned or any act the **Insured** knew, or reasonably ought to have known at the time the **Insured** performed it, would give rise to a **Claim**, loss, breach, privacy investigation, illegal threat or interruption to the **Business**.

#### **Fines and Penalties**

Taxes, fines or penalties, punitive, aggravated, multiple, exemplary or other non-compensatory damages.

# Hack By an Individual

Any individual Hacker that falls within the definition of the Insured or Persons Responsible to the Insured.

# **Insolvency**

The **Insured's** insolvency or the insolvency of the **Insured's** suppliers or sub-contractors.

#### **Investment and Financial**

- Depreciation or loss of investments when the depreciation or loss is as a result of any fluctuations in any financial, stock or commodity markets when such fluctuation is outside the influence or control of the Insured.
- 2. Any actual or alleged dealings of any nature by which it is sought to affect the price of, or market in, any shares or debentures of any company or commodity or currency, or of any negotiable instrument, other than dealings carried out in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations applicable to such dealings.
- 3. Any regulated activities as defined in the *Financial Services and Markets Act* 2000, as amended from time to time.

# **Intellectual Property, Patent or Trade Secrets**

Theft or infringement, misappropriation or disclosure of any intellectual property, patent or trade secret.

# **Jurisdiction**

Any **Claim** brought (or the enforcement of any judgment or award entered against the **Insured**) in the courts of the United States of America or Canada or their dominions or protectorates or territories in which it is contended that the laws of the United States of America or Canada should apply.

# **Land, Buildings and Transport**

From the ownership, possession or use by the **Insured** of land, buildings, property (mobile or immobile), aircraft, watercraft, vessels or by vehicles, whether mechanically propelled or otherwise.

#### **Liability to Employees**

Any employment dispute directly or indirectly based upon, attributable to or in consequence of bodily injury, mental injury, sickness, disease or death or any breach of any obligations owed by the **Insured** as an employer for discrimination, harassment, unfair treatment or unfair dismissal or failure to promote any **Employee**.

# Media liability

Media Liability made by any person or entity, including but not limited to Employees or Persons Responsible to the Insured.

#### Nuclear

- 1. Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting from or arising from or any consequential loss, or
- 2. Any legal liability of whatever nature;

directly or indirectly caused by or contributed 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 or
- b. The radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.

# **Payment Card Industry (PCI) Charges**

Any liability for charges, fines, penalties, levies, costs, expenses, assessments, contractual damages or imposition of liabilities of any nature arising as a result of the **Insured's** failure to comply with PCI Data Security Standards due to a breach, including any sums in relation to card reissuance or fraudulent transactions.

#### **Professional Duties**

Any liability arising from a breach of a professional duty made by any individual or entity with whom the **Insured** have provided professional advice or professional services.

#### **Pollution**

Actual, alleged or threatened pollution, seepage, contamination, discharge, dispersal, release or escape of any solid, liquid, gaseous, or thermal irritant or contaminant including, but not limited to, smoke, vapours, soot, dust, fibres, bacteria, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste or any actual or alleged advice given or services performed in relation to any irritant or contaminant, including but not limited to testing, monitoring, treatment, containment, cleaning up, neutralising or detoxification thereof.

#### **Prior Knowledge of Claims and Circumstances**

- Claims or Losses, Breaches, Privacy Investigations, Illegal Threats or interruptions of any kind covered under this Section (including Defence costs and Expenses, Privacy Forensic Costs, Privacy Investigation Costs and Credit Monitoring Costs) first made, threatened, intimated or sustained against the Insured prior to the Period of Insurance;
- any situation or Circumstance of which the Insured first became aware prior to the Period of Insurance or which the Insured ought reasonably to have been aware of prior to the Period of Insurance which may give rise to a liability under this Section and which was known or ought to have been known by the Insured prior to the Period of Insurance.

# **Products**

The **Insured** or **Persons Responsible to the Insured** having supplied, manufactured, constructed, altered, repaired, treated, sold, recalled, fabricated, distributed, installed or maintained any goods or products.

### **Property Damage**

Based upon or attributable to damage to property (except data covered under clause 1.3 Hacker Damage).

#### **Reckless Conduct**

Any conduct committed by the **Insured** in reckless disregard of the rights of another person or business.

#### **Related Parties**

Any **Claim** brought by any person or entity within the definition of the **Insured** or any party with a financial, executive or managerial interest in the **Insured**, including any parent company or any party in which **Insured** have a financial, executive or managerial interest. This exclusion does not apply to a **Claim** based on a liability to an independent third-party directly arising out of the **Business**.

# **Routine Privacy Investigations**

Any privacy investigation arising from any routine regulatory supervision, enquiry or compliance review, any internal investigation or any investigation into the activities of the **Insured's** industry which is not solely related to an alleged breach of privacy by the **Insured**.

#### **Seizure and Confiscation**

Any confiscation, requisition, expropriation, appropriation, seizure or destruction of property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority, or any order by such authority to take down, deactivate or block access to the **Insured's Computer System.** 

#### **Service Providers**

Any failure or interruption of service provided by an internet service provider, telecommunications provider, **Cloud Provider** but not including the hosting of hardware and software that the **Insured** own, or other utility provider.

#### **Territorial Limits**

Any Claim or Loss, Breaches, Privacy Investigations, Illegal Threats, and interruptions including Defence Costs and Expenses, Privacy Forensic Costs, Privacy Investigation Costs and Credit Monitoring Costs brought outside the Territorial Limits, including proceedings brought within the Territorial Limits to enforce a judgment or award, or which are based on a judgment or award from outside the Territorial Limits.

# **Trading Debts**

Any **Claim** arising from or directly or indirectly attributable to any trading debt or trading loss or any guarantee or undertaking given by the **Insured** for a debt or performance of any obligation by a third party.

# **War and Terrorism**

Any Claim or Loss, Breaches, Privacy Investigations, Illegal Threats, and interruptions arising from or directly or indirectly attributable to war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, riot, hostilities, Terrorism, or war like operations whether declared or not, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power (regardless of any other cause or event contributing to the liability) and/or any action taken in controlling, preventing or suppressing the aforementioned risks.

This exclusion also applies to any liability for any **Claim** or **Loss** covered under this **Policy** and/or costs including **Defence Costs and Expenses, Privacy Forensic Costs, Privacy Investigation Costs** and **Credit Monitoring Costs** on

account of any **Claim** or **Loss** directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, supressing or in any way relating to the risks in the above paragraph.

# **Assignment**

The **Insured** must not assign this Section or any rights under this Section without the **Insurer's** consent by way of **Endorsement** to form part of this Section.

# Professional and Corporate Liability Insurance

# PROFESSIONAL AND CORPORATE LIABILITY - DEFINITIONS

Notwithstanding the General Definitions of this **Policy**, the words defined below will have the following special meanings wherever they appear in bold letters within the Professional and Corporate Liability Insurance Sections.

Circumstance means an incident, occurrence, fact, matter, act or omission

# PROFESSIONAL AND CORPORATE LIABILITY - CONDITIONS

#### **Defence and Settlement**

The following are conditions precedent to the **Insurer's** liability under each Section of this Professional and Corporate Liability Insurance:

- 1. When a **Claim** is made, or an **Insured** first becomes aware of a **Circumstance** that is reasonably expected to give rise to a **Claim**, no admission of liability or fault, nor any attempt to settle or compromise, is to be made by any **Insured**.
- 2. An Insured must at its own cost promptly provide all information, documents and data as the Insurer reasonably requests and an Insured must assist and cooperate with the Insurer or any other party selected, instructed or appointed by the Insurer in the investigation, defence or settlement of any Claim or Loss which might be indemnified by any Section of this Professional and Corporate Liability Insurance. An Insured must provide the Insurer with details of any other insurances that might indemnify the same Claim or Loss.
- An Insured must defend any Claim made against that Insured and must advance any claim, set-off, counterclaim or additional claim for Loss, including claims for contribution, indemnity or damages, where possible.

The **Insurer** has the right, but not the duty, to defend any **Claim**, or otherwise participate in, control, direct or conduct any investigation, defence or settlement of any **Claim** that might be indemnified, wholly or partially, by any Section of this Professional and Corporate Liability Insurance; this right extends to:

- 1. conducting any litigation in relation to a Claim in the Insured's name; and
- the selection, instruction or appointment of lawyers, adjusters, investigators, expert advisers and consultants.

The **Insurer** has the right to pay up to the **Limit of Liability** for any **Claim** under any Section of this Professional and Corporate Liability Insurance, or any smaller amount for which a **Claim** can be settled, and subsequently have no further liability under that Section.

If the **Insurer** is of the opinion that a **Claim** will not exceed the **Excess**, the **Insurer** may require the **Insured** to conduct the defence of the **Claim** at their own expense.

# ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS FOR DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS, CORPORATE LEGAL AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY SECTIONS

The words defined below are additional definitions for the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal and Employment Practices Liability Sections only; the Professional Indemnity Section has its own set of additional Definitions.

The words will have the same meaning wherever they appear in bold letters within the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal and Employment Practices Liability Sections and the **Schedule** and **Endorsements** in respect of those Sections take precedence over any General Definitions to the contrary.

**Bail Costs** means costs incurred, with the **Insurer's** prior written agreement, to pay for a bond or other financial instrument to guarantee the bail of an **Insured Person**.

**Benefits** means perquisites, fringe benefits, bonus payments, deferred compensation, amounts paid or payable under an employee benefit plan or pension scheme, medical or insurance benefits, share or stock options, grants or warrants or other rights to purchase, acquire or sell shares or stocks; **Benefits** does not mean salary or wages.

# **Change of Control** means:

- 1. the consolidation of, or merger by, the **Policyholder** in to another entity, or the sale of all or substantially all of the **Policyholder**'s assets to another entity; or
- 2. the direct or indirect acquisition, ownership or control by another entity or entities of more than fifty per cent (50%) of the **Policyholder**'s issued share capital; or
- 3. the direct or indirect acquisition, ownership or control by another entity or entities of more than fifty per cent (50%) of the voting rights in the **Policyholder**; or
- 4. the assumption of another entity of the right to appoint or remove directors from the **Policyholder**'s board; or
- 5. the appointment of an insolvency practitioner to the **Policyholder**.

# Claim means:

- 1. written demand or civil proceedings seeking compensation, damages or other relief or remedy; or
- 2. formal notice of criminal, regulatory, administrative or arbitral proceedings;

based upon an allegation of a Wrongful Act.

**Defence Costs** means the reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred with the prior written agreement of the **Insurer** to investigate, defend or settle any **Claim** including costs of appealing or setting aside an adverse judgment.

# **Employee** means a person:

- 1. under a contract of service or apprenticeship with an **Insured Company**; or
- 2. seconded to an Insured Company; or
- 3. on a work experience or placement scheme with an Insured Company; or
- 4. loaned to, or hired by, an **Insured Company** from another entity; or
- 5. provided to an **Insured Company** as a labour-only subcontractor;

while working in that capacity and while under the direction and supervision of that Insured Company.

**Insured Company** means the **Policyholder** or any **Subsidiary** of the **Policyholder** declared to the **Insurer** prior to commencement of the **Period of Insurance**.

#### Insured means:

- 1. **Insured Person**; or
- 2. Insured Company; or
- 3. Insured Trustee; or
- 4. Pension Scheme Sponsor.

**Insured Person** means any natural person who was, is or during the **Period of Insurance** becomes:

- 1. a director or officer, shadow director, non-executive director, de facto director; or
- 2. an **Employee** acting as a company secretary, risk or compliance officer, manager or supervisor;

to the extent that the person is acting in that capacity and for, or on behalf of, an **Insured Company**.

#### **Insured Person** also includes the:

- lawful husband, wife, civil or unmarried partner of any Insured Person referred to in either (1) or (2)
  above, but solely because of their relationship with that Insured Person following a Claim against that
  Insured Person;
- 4. estate, heirs or legal representative of any **Insured Person** referred to in either (1) or (2) above, but solely in relation to a **Claim** against that **Insured Person**.

For the avoidance of doubt, no insurance is provided for a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted by a person listed in (3) or (4) above.

**Insured Trustee** means any natural person who was, is or during the **Period of Insurance** becomes a duly appointed trustee of the **Policyholder's** pension scheme, plan or arrangement in accordance with the provisions of that pension scheme, plan or arrangement or court order. **Insured Trustee** also includes the:

- lawful husband, wife, civil or unmarried partner of any Insured Trustee referred to directly above, but solely because of their relationship with that Insured Trustee following a Claim against that Insured Trustee;
- 2. estate, heirs or legal representative of any **Insured Trustee**, but solely in relation to a **Claim** against that **Insured Trustee**.

For the avoidance of doubt, no insurance is provided for a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted by a person listed in (1) or (2) above.

#### Loss means:

- 1. damages and claimant's costs awarded; or
- 2. settlements agreed with the prior written consent of the **Insurer**; or
- 3. Defence Costs.

Save for the Employment Practices Liability Section, reference in this **Policy** to **Loss** includes aggravated, punitive or exemplary damages. **Loss** does not mean fines or penalties, taxes, salary, wages or **Benefits** unless otherwise expressly provided.

#### Outside Entity means either:

- 1. a charitable organisation or similar not-for-profit organisation; or
- 2. an entity in which the **Policyholder** holds not more than fifty per cent (50%) of issued share capital.

**Outside Company** does not mean a **Subsidiary**, a listed company, a financial services company or any entity registered outside the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

**Pension Scheme Sponsor** means an **Insured Company** and its **Employees**, only when acting on the authority of an **Insured Trustee**, in the performance of duties or exercise of powers under a pension scheme, plan or arrangement.

**Policyholder** means the corporate entity named as the **Policyholder** in the **Schedule**.

**Pollutant** means an irritant, contaminant or other substance, including asbestos, lead, smoke, vapour, water, oil, dust, fibres, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic mould, chemicals, ionising radiation or radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or waste (including that which has been or is intended to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed).

**Pollution** means actual, alleged or threatened discharge, seepage, treatment, generation, removal, transportation, disposal, dispersal, emission, release or escape of any **Pollutant**; or any governmental or regulatory order, direction, or request to test for, monitor, remove, contain, clean up, treat, detoxify or neutralise any **Pollutant** including any action taken in anticipation of such governmental or regulatory order, direction, or request.

**Product** means any goods manufactured, sold, supplied, hired out, modified, treated, erected, repaired, serviced, designed, tested, installed, processed, distributed or cleaned by an **Insured Company** and which is no longer in the **Insured Company's** care, custody or control. **Product** also means any container, packaging, labelling or instructions for use with those goods.

**Proposal** means the information contained in the document submitted by or on behalf of the **Policyholder** when applying for this insurance with the **Insurer**; it also means any information contained in a renewal document or any other document during the **Period of Insurance**.

**Related Claim** means a **Claim** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving, the same or substantially the same or similar, source, cause, facts, acts committed or attempted, omissions, situations, transactions or events.

**Retaliation** means actual or alleged action against an **Employee** in consequence of that **Employee's** exercise or attempted exercise of a legal right or duty.

Securities mean any debt or equity interest in an Insured Company.

**Subsidiary** means an entity that at the commencement of the **Period of Insurance** is not publicly listed and in which the **Policyholder** directly or indirectly:

- 1. holds more than fifty per cent (50%) of the issued share capital; or
- 2. has or controls more than fifty per cent (50%) of the voting rights; or
- 3. has the right to appoint or remove a majority of board's directors.

A **Subsidiary** that ceases to be such during the **Period of Insurance** will only be covered under this **Policy** for a **Claim** based upon a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted while a **Subsidiary**.

#### Wrongful Act means the following:

- In the Directors and Officers Liability Section, including any Endorsement to that Section, any breach of trust or other fiduciary duty, negligent act, error, omission, misrepresentation, misstatement, misleading statement, defamation, breach of warranty of authority or wrongful trading (under s.214 of the Insolvency Act 1986) committed or attempted by an Insured Person in the performance of that person's duties or other alleged default arising solely from that person's status as an Insured Person.
- In Corporate Legal Liability Section, including any Endorsement to that Section, any breach of trust or other fiduciary duty, negligent act, error, omission, misrepresentation, misstatement, misleading statement, breach of warranty of authority committed or attempted by an Insured Company.
- In Employment Practices Liability Section, including any Endorsement to that Section, violation of
  employment laws or regulations in connection with the previous, current or future employment of a
  person with an Insured Company.

# ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS FOR DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS, CORPORATE LEGAL AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY SECTIONS

#### **Authorisation**

The **Policyholder** will act on behalf of any **Insured** for:

- 1. Notification of any Claim, Loss, or Circumstance;
- 2. Any other notifications required under this Policy;
- 3. Payment of Premium, including additional premium, or the receipt of returned Premium;
- 4. Negotiation and agreement of any **Endorsement** to this **Policy**;
- 5. Requests, and any subsequent agreement, of any extended notification period.

#### **Expert Determination**

In the event of a dispute concerning whether to contest or settle a **Claim** against an **Insured** or **Insured Person**, but not involving a dispute arising out of the interpretation of the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections, the parties will seek, and be bound by, the written opinion of Queen's Counsel (or an equivalent or like person to be mutually agreed upon) jointly selected by the parties (where joint selection cannot be agreed the parties agree to be bound by the selection of the Chairman of the Bar Council) acting as a legal expert and not as an arbitrator, but only to the extent that the opinion concerns either the probability of success in those proceedings or the reasonableness of settlement. The costs of this instruction will form part of the **Defence Costs**.

#### Severability

The **Proposal** for the insurance provided for under the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections, or any notice of alteration in risk, will be construed as a separate **Proposal** or notice by each **Insured** under the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections.

No representation made, or knowledge possessed, by the **Policyholder** will be imputed to an **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee** and no representation made, or knowledge possessed, by an **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee** will be imputed to another **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee**.

Representations made, or knowledge possessed by any past, present or future **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee** including any Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operations Officer, Director of Human Resources, General Counsel, Managing Director, Chairman, Company Secretary or other equivalent senior manager

employed by and authorised by an **Insured Company** or **Pension Scheme Sponsor** to make representations in relation to the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections will be imputed to that **Insured Company** or **Pension Scheme Sponsor** for any **Claim** against that **Insured Person** or that **Insured Company** or **Pension Scheme Sponsor**.

# **Change of Control**

The cover provided by the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections will cease immediately for **Wrongful Acts** committed or attempted after a **Change of Control**.

# **Takeovers and Mergers**

The Directors and Officers Liability Section may be extended to include **Loss** resulting from a **Claim** first made in the six (6) year period immediately after the expiry of this **Period of Insurance** where, during the **Period of Insurance**, there is a **Change of Control**, but only for any **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted prior to the **Change of Control** and provided that the **Policyholder** requests this extension of cover within sixty (60) days of the **Change of Control** and pays an additional premium, the amount of which to be confirmed by the **Insurer** at the time of request.

#### **Notification**

#### 1. Claims

It is a condition precedent to the **Insurer's** liability under the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections that as soon as reasonably practicable after a **Claim** is first made, the **Policyholder**, or any **Insured** being claimed against, must give written notice of, and forward a copy of, that **Claim** to the **Insurer** during the **Period of Insurance** in the way shown in the **Schedule**.

Where it can be demonstrated to the **Insurer's** satisfaction that it was not reasonably practicable to provide written notice during the **Period of Insurance**, notice may be given in the first fifteen (15) days immediately after the **Period of Insurance**. Notice given in this fifteen (15) day period, and subsequently accepted by the **Insurer**, will be deemed to have been given during the **Period of Insurance**.

# 2. Circumstances

When an **Insured** first becomes aware of a **Circumstance** that is reasonably expected to give rise to a **Claim**, that party may give written notice to the **Insurer** during the **Period of Insurance** providing the fullest possible particulars of the:

- a. nature of the Circumstance, including any relevant dates, names and contact details; and
- b. anticipated Wrongful Act allegations; and
- c. reason for expecting that the Claim will be made; and
- d. date and manner in which that Insured first became aware of that Circumstance.

If any **Circumstance** notified in accordance with this condition subsequently gives rise to a **Claim**, that **Claim** will be deemed to have been first made on the date such **Circumstance** was first notified.

#### **Excess**

Where an **Insured Company** is permitted or required, but fails, to indemnify or reimburse an **Insured Person** or an **Insured Trustee**, for **Loss**, the **Insurer** will pay that **Loss** in the first instance provided that the **Insured Company** 

must then pay the relevant Excess to the Insurer on demand.

#### **Related Claims**

Where a **Claim** is first notified during the **Period of Insurance** in accordance with the requirements of the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections, any **Related Claim** made subsequently is deemed by the **Insurer** to be part of that **Claim** first notified during the **Period of Insurance** and is further deemed to be:

- 1. made at the same time as that first notified Claim;
- 2. notified at the same time as that first notified **Claim**.

# **Advancement, Reimbursement and Allocation of Defence Costs**

The **Insurer** will pay **Defence Costs** to, or on behalf of, an **Insured Person** on an ongoing, interim basis, prior to final disposal, resolution or adjudication of a **Claim** subject strictly to the proviso that where those costs and expenses are ultimately determined not to be covered by the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections, those costs and expenses must be reimbursed to the **Insurer** by the **Policyholder** or **Insured Person** on demand and, except for payments for non-indemnifiable **Loss**, the **Policyholder** will be jointly and severally liable with that **Insured Person** to make those payments to the **Insurer**.

In the event of a **Claim** against both an **Insured** and any other party not indemnified under the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections, or a **Claim** both for **Loss** indemnified under any those Sections and other loss, the parties will endeavour to agree a fair and reasonable allocation of **Defence Costs** covered by those Sections in proportion to **Loss** covered by those Sections, having regard to the relative legal and financial exposures of the parties.

Where that agreement cannot be reached within a reasonable time, the parties will seek, and be bound by, the written opinion of Queen's Counsel jointly selected by the parties (where joint selection cannot be agreed the parties agree to be bound by the selection of the Chairman of the Bar Council) acting as a legal expert and not as an arbitrator, but only to the extent that the opinion concerns the fair and reasonable allocation of **Defence Costs** covered by the Directors and Officers, Corporate Legal or Employment Practices Liability Sections in proportion to **Loss** covered by those Sections, having regard to the relative legal and financial exposures of the parties. The cost of this instruction will be deemed a **Defence Cost** and paid in like proportions as are determined to be fair and reasonable in the underlying **Loss**.

# **Subrogation**

The **Insurer** will not exercise subrogated rights against an **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee**, except where it is established by formal admission, adjudication or judgment that the **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee** has acted fraudulently or has committed a criminal act involving dishonesty or has obtained profit or advantage to which the **Insured Person** or **Insured Trustee** not lawfully entitled.

#### **Territorial Limit**

The cover provided under the Directors and Officers Liability Section is for **Loss** resulting from **Claims** made, and **Wrongful Acts** committed, anywhere in the world except Canada or the United States of America, its territories or possessions; cover provided under the Corporate Legal and Employment Practices Liability Sections is for **Loss** resulting from **Claims** made and **Wrongful Acts** committed in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

# **Directors and Officers Liability Section**

# DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS LIABILITY – INSURING AGREEMENTS

- The Insurer will pay on behalf of an Insured Person any Loss resulting from a Claim first made against that Insured Person in the Period of Insurance and for which that Insured Person has not been indemnified by an Insured Company.
- The Insurer will pay to an Insured Company any Loss resulting from a Claim first made against an Insured
  Person in the Period of Insurance where that Insured Company has indemnified that Insured Person for
  that Loss that exceeds the Excess.

# **DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS LIABILITY – LIMIT OF LIABILITY**

The **Limit of Liability** in respect of any **Loss** under this Section for the **Period of Insurance**, including cover granted by extension or **Endorsement** to this Section, applies irrespective of the number of **Claims** made, or the number of **Insureds** claiming indemnity, under this Section or any extension or **Endorsement** to this Section.

# **DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS LIABILITY – EXTENSIONS**

Cover under the following extensions is only available where the extension is shown in the **Schedule** to be operative and are subject otherwise to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this Section and the **Limit of Liability**.

# **Investigation Costs**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Person**, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, for legal representation in relation to an official investigation, hearing, examination or inquiry in to an **Insured Company** or **Insured Person** by any governmental or statutory authority, regulatory body or similar agency duly empowered, provided that the **Insured Person** first receives formal notice of that investigation, hearing, examination or inquiry during the **Period of Insurance**; for the purpose of cover under this extension only, the definition of **Claim** is extended to include that formal notice and is deemed to have been first made when first received by the **Insured Person**.

The salary or wage of an **Insured Person**, or the overheads of an **Insured Company**, are not covered by this extension. This extension does not apply to any periodic regulatory supervision, inquiries or compliance audits or internal investigations or audits or any other general investigation into the sector, trade or industry in which the **Insured Company** conducts business.

### **Emergency Costs**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Person** to investigate, defend or settle any **Claim** including costs of appealing or setting aside an adverse judgment where it was not possible or reasonably practicable to obtain the prior written agreement of the **Insurer** for those costs or expenses.

#### **Public Relations Costs**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include the reasonable fees or expenses of a public relations consultancy or crisis management company, incurred with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to mitigate

the adverse publicity resulting, or anticipated to result, from a covered **Claim** under this Section.

#### **Bail Costs**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include costs incurred, with the **Insurer's** prior written agreement, to pay for a bond or other financial instrument to guarantee the bail of an **Insured Person**.

#### **Civil Fines and Penalties**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include civil fines and penalties imposed on an **Insured Person** by any duly empowered governmental or statutory authority, regulatory body or similar agency in the United Kingdom, to the extent permissible by law and provided that the **Insured Person** is not otherwise indemnifiable by an **Insured Company**.

# **Manslaughter Proceedings**

Notwithstanding this Section's Bodily Injury and Property Damage exclusion, under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Company** on behalf on an **Insured Person**, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to investigate or defend criminal proceedings against that **Insured Person** for manslaughter resulting from a **Wrongful Act**. This extension only applies where that **Insured Company** is legally obliged and permitted to indemnify that **Insured Person**.

# **Health and Safety at Work**

Notwithstanding this Section's Bodily Injury and Property Damage exclusion, under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Company** on behalf on an **Insured Person**, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to investigate or defend proceedings against that **Insured Person** for a breach of duty under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 caused by a **Wrongful Act**. This extension only applies where an **Insured Company** is legally obliged and permitted to indemnify that **Insured Person**.

# **Extradition Proceedings**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, for legal representation in relation to extradition proceedings first instigated in the United Kingdom under the Extradition Act 2003 against an **Insured Person** during the **Period of Insurance**; for the purpose of cover under this extension only, the definition of **Claim** is extended to include a formal request to surrender and is deemed to have been first made when first received by the **Insured Person**.

#### **Management Buy-Out**

Where the management of an **Insured Company** conducts a buy-out of that **Insured Company**, under this Section the definition of **Insured Person** is extended to include any person who was an **Insured Person** of that **Insured Company** prior to the buy-out, but only for **Wrongful Acts** in the first thirty (30) days following that buy-out and provided that this extension only applies in excess of any indemnity from that new entity, or any other insurance in force, that provides cover for that person's **Wrongful Act**.

#### **Outside Entity**

Under this Section the definition of **Insured Person** is extended to include any **Wrongful Act** while acting as director or officer of an **Outside Entity** at the request of an **Insured Company**, provided that this extension will only apply in excess of any indemnity from that **Outside Entity**, or any other insurance in force, that provides cover

for that **Wrongful Act**; for the purpose of cover under this extension only, references to **Insured Company** are deemed to include that **Outside Entity**.

#### **Pollution Defence Costs**

This Section is extended to include non-indemnifiable **Defence Costs** incurred on behalf of an **Insured Person**, with the prior written consent of the **Insurer**, in defending that **Insured Person** against criminal or regulatory proceedings resulting from **Pollution**.

#### **Former Directors Run-Off**

Where this Section is not renewed or replaced, this Section will extend the definition of **Insured Person** to include any person who voluntarily ceases to hold that position during the **Period of Insurance**, for any **Wrongful Acts** committed prior to relinquishing that position, for a period of six (6) years from the date of non-renewal provided that:

- the relinquishing of that position was not due to disqualification, insolvency or a Change of Control of an Insured Company; and
- 2. the six (6) year period runs concurrently with any agreed extended notification period; and
- 3. no other insurance is in force that provides cover for that **Wrongful Act**.

# **Employment Practices Liability**

Under this Section the definition of Wrongful Act is extended to include Wrongful Act as defined in Section 5C.

This extension will not apply if any other insurance is in force for that **Insured Person**, including under Section 5C for that **Wrongful Act**.

This Section's Bodily Injury and Property Damage exclusion does not apply to any **Claim** alleging emotional distress and injury to feelings.

# **Derivative Claims**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include claimant's costs resulting from a **Claim**, against an **Insured Person**, that is a derivative action brought by a shareholder in the name of the **Insured Company**.

#### Additional Defence Costs

Where the **Limit of Liability** for this Section is exhausted, this Section is extended to include an additional amount, as shown in the **Schedule**, in respect of an **Insured Person's Defence Costs** only, provided that

- 1. any other insurance under which the **Insured Person** is entitled to indemnity, including any excess policy, has also been exhausted; and
- 2. the **Insured Person** is not otherwise indemnifiable; and
- 3. the **Insured Person** has not been the subject of any **Claim** that contributed to the exhaustion the **Limit of Liability** for this Section.

#### **Shareholder Claims for Pollution**

Under this Section an Insured Person's Loss is extended to include that which results from a Claim, against that

**Insured Person**, based upon allegations of diminution in value of an **Insured Company's** share value as a result of anticipated **Pollution** caused by that **Insured Person's Wrongful Act** or anticipated **Wrongful Act**.

# **Acquisitions**

Under this Section the definition of **Subsidiary** is extended to include any entity that is created or acquired by an **Insured Company** during the **Period of Insurance** provided that the **Insured Company**:

- 1. holds more than fifty per cent (50%) of the issued share capital; or
- 2. has or controls more than fifty per cent (50%) of the voting rights; or
- 3. has the right to appoint or remove a majority of the board's directors;

of that entity and further provided that the entity:

- 4. has total assets of not more than twenty five per cent (25%) of the **Policyholder's** total assets at the date of inception of this **Policy**; and
- 5. is not a financial institution; and
- 6. is registered and domiciled within the United Kingdom; and
- 7. is not publicly listed.

An **Insured Person** of such a deemed **Subsidiary** has cover under this extension only for a **Wrongful Act** committed after the creation or acquisition by the **Insured Company** of that entity.

#### **Extended Notification Period**

Where the **Insurer** or the **Policyholder** refuses to renew this Section of the **Policy**, the **Policyholder** or an **Insured Person** may purchase an extended notification period of twelve (12) months from the last day of this **Period of Insurance**, for an additional premium equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the full annual **Premium** for this **Period of Insurance**.

Written notice of purchase must be received by the **Insurer** within thirty (30) days of the end of **Period of Insurance**, as well as the full additional premium.

The additional premium will be deemed to be fully earned at the start of the extended notification period and no refund will be made in the event of cancellation.

This extension of cover is for any **Claim** made during or before the extended notification period, but only where based upon an allegation of a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted prior to the extended notification period.

The extended notification period is deemed to be included within the **Period of Insurance** and consequently the **Limit of Liability** for the **Period of Insurance** will not increase or be reinstated, and the **Policy** Condition 'Notification of Claims and Circumstances' will apply to any **Claim** first made in the extended notification period as if that period were the **Period of Insurance**.

The offer of renewal on different terms, or for different premium, when compared to this **Period of Insurance** does not constitute a refusal to renew.

The option to request this extension of cover is not available when:

- 1. this **Policy** is not renewed due to non-payment of **Premium**; or
- 2. the Policyholder is insolvent; or

- 3. this Section of the **Policy** is replaced with another Directors and Officers insurance policy or similar management liability insurance; or
- 4. there is a **Change of Control** at the end of **Period of Insurance**; or
- 5. the **Policy** is cancelled (or continuing only by virtue of the Former Directors Run-Off extension).

# DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS LIABILITY - CONDITION

# **Priority of Payments**

This Section first indemnifies (i) any **Insured Person's Loss** that is not indemnifiable by an **Insured Company**, but excepting **Defence Costs** incurred under the Additional Defence Costs extension of this Section, if operative; thereafter this Section indemnifies (ii) any **Insured Company** that has indemnified an **Insured Person** for **Loss**. Where the Additional Defence Costs extension of this Section is operative, those **Defence Costs** will be indemnified only after amounts (i) and (ii) above are paid.

# **DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS LIABILITY – EXCLUSIONS**

#### **Conduct**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any:

- fraudulent act or other criminal act involving dishonesty or other deliberate breach of any law or regulation by an **Insured Person**; or
- 2. profit or advantage obtained by an Insured Person to which the Insured Person was not lawfully entitled;

established by formal admission, final judgment or adjudication. The **Insurer** may at its sole discretion and cost seek the written opinion of Queen's Counsel jointly selected by the parties (where joint selection cannot be agreed the parties agree to be bound by the selection of the Chairman of the Bar Council) acting as legal expert and not as an arbitrator, on the prospects of successfully defending an **Insured Person** against allegations of that unlawful conduct, more fully detailed above; if there are no reasonable prospects of successfully so defending that **Insured Person**, this exclusion applies as if that conduct had been established by formal admission, final judgment or adjudication.

# **Bodily Injury and Property Damage**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any:

- 1. death, bodily injury, illness or disease or psychiatric injury; or
- 2. emotional distress or injury to feelings; or
- 3. damage to, or loss or destruction of, tangible property including any loss of use.

# **Prior Claims and Circumstances**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** or **Circumstance** that was known of, or ought to have been known of, by any **Insured** prior to the **Period of Insurance** irrespective of whether or not that **Claim** or **Circumstance** was notified under any earlier

insurance policy, or Section of a policy, then in force.

# **Prior Litigation**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any legal or proceedings commenced prior to the date shown in the **Schedule** including any later **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving, the same or substantially the same or similar, source, cause, facts, acts committed or attempted, omissions, situations, transactions or events on which those prior legal or proceedings are founded.

# **Schemes and Trustees**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** for breach of statute, regulation or common law against an **Insured Person** while acting in their capacity as an **Insured Trustee** or as an administrator, trustee or other fiduciary of any trust fund, pension scheme, superannuation scheme, profit sharing scheme, employee benefit scheme.

# **Offerings of Securities**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any public offering of **Securities** during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Professional Services**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any breach of professional duty, or any provision of, or failure to provide, professional advice or services, designs, specifications, inspection, certification, formulae, plans, directions, surveys or testing, for a fee, or in circumstances where a fee would normally be charged.

# Corporate Legal Liability Section

# CORPORATE LEGAL LIABILITY – INSURING AGREEMENT

The **Insurer** will pay on behalf of an **Insured Company** any **Loss** resulting from a **Claim** first made against that **Insured Company** in the **Period of Insurance**.

# CORPORATE LEGAL LIABILITY – LIMIT OF LIABILITY

The **Limit of Liability** in respect of any **Loss** under this Section for the **Period of Insurance**, including cover granted by extension or **Endorsement** to this Section, applies irrespective of the number of **Claims** made, or the number of **Insured Companies** claiming indemnity, under this Section or any extension or **Endorsement** to this Section.

# **CORPORATE LEGAL LIABILITY – EXTENSIONS**

Cover under the following extensions is only available where the extension is shown in the **Schedule** to be operative and are subject otherwise to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this Section and the **Limit of Liability**.

#### **Public Relations Costs**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include the reasonable fees or expenses of a public relations consultancy or crisis management company, incurred with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to mitigate the adverse publicity resulting, or anticipated to result, from a covered **Claim** under this Section.

### **Corporate Manslaughter Proceedings**

Notwithstanding this Section's Bodily Injury and Property Damage exclusion, under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Company**, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to investigate or defend criminal proceedings against that **Insured Company** under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 resulting from a **Wrongful Act**.

#### **Health and Safety at Work**

Notwithstanding this Section's Bodily Injury and Property Damage exclusion, under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Company**, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to investigate or defend proceedings against that **Insured Company** for a breach of duty under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 caused by a **Wrongful Act**.

# **Acquisitions**

Under this Section the definition of **Subsidiary** is extended to include any entity that is created or acquired by an **Insured Company** during the **Period of Insurance** provided that the **Insured Company**:

- 1. holds more than fifty per cent (50%) of the issued share capital; or
- 2. has or controls more than fifty per cent (50%) of the voting rights; or
- 3. has the right to appoint or remove a majority of the directors of the board;

of that entity and further provided that the entity:

- 4. has total assets of not more than twenty five per cent (25%) of the **Policyholder's** total assets at the date of inception of this **Policy**;
- 5. is not a financial institution;
- 6. is registered and domiciled with the United Kingdom;
- 7. is not publicly listed.

Such a **Subsidiary** has cover under this extension only for a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted after the creation or acquisition of that entity.

# **Contractual Liability**

Notwithstanding this Section's Contractual Liability exclusion, under this Section the definition of **Defence Costs** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred, with the **Insurer's** prior written consent, to investigate, defend or settle any **Claim** based upon an allegation of an **Insured Company's** breach of any contractual obligation; for the purpose of cover under this extension only, **Wrongful Act** is deemed to include such allegations of breach.

# **Emergency Costs**

Under this Section the definition of **Loss** is extended to include reasonable costs or expenses necessarily incurred by an **Insured Company** to investigate, defend or settle any **Claim** including costs of appealing or setting aside an adverse judgment where it was not possible or reasonably practicable to obtain the prior written agreement of the **Insurer** for those costs or expenses.

#### **Court Attendance**

The **Insurer** agrees to pay the **Insured Company** £250 per day if, in the opinion of the **Insurer**, the attendance of an **Insured Person** is required to either give evidence at court or attend a mediation meeting in relation to a **Claim** for which this Section might provide indemnity.

Where in the opinion of the **Insurer** the attendance of an **Insured Person** at court as an observer and not as a witness is required, the **Insurer** will pay £125 per day, but payment will be limited to one observer per day.

The **Insurer** further agrees to pay the **Insured Company** £50 per hour if, in the opinion of the **Insurer**, time is required to be spent by an **Insured Person** in interviews with lawyers, including conferences with Counsel, for the purpose of providing a witness statement or related activities required either for representation at a Coroner's Inquest or Fatal Accident Inquiry, or the defence of the **Insured Company** from a **Claim** for which this Section might provide indemnity provided that the time spent by the **Insured Person** is certified by the lawyers with the conduct of the defence.

#### **Management Buy-Out**

Where the management of an **Insured Company** conducts a buy-out of that **Insured Company**, under this Section the definition of **Insured Company** is extended to include that new entity, but only for **Wrongful Acts** in the first thirty (30) days following that buy-out and provided that this extension only applies in excess of any other insurance in force that provides cover for that person's **Wrongful Act**.

#### **Civil Fines and Penalties**

Under this Section the definition of Loss is extended to include civil fines and penalties imposed on an Insured

**Company** by any duly empowered governmental or statutory authority, regulatory body or similar agency in the United Kingdom, to the extent permissible by law.

#### **Extended Notification Period**

Where the **Insurer** or the **Policyholder** refuses to renew this Section of the **Policy**, the **Policyholder** may purchase an extended notification period of twelve (12) months from the last day of this **Period of Insurance**, for an additional premium equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the full annual **Premium** for this **Period of Insurance**.

Written notice of purchase must be received by the **Insurer** within thirty (30) days of the end of **Period of Insurance**, as well as the full additional premium.

The additional premium will be deemed to be fully earned at the start of the extended notification period and no refund will be made in the event of cancellation.

This extension of cover is for any **Claim** made during or before the extended notification period, but only where based upon an allegation of a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted prior to the extended notification period.

The extended notification period is deemed to be included within the **Period of Insurance** and consequently the **Limit of Liability** for the **Period of Insurance** will not increase or be reinstated, and the **Policy** Condition 'Notification of Claims and Circumstances' will apply to any **Claim** first made in the extended notification period as if that period were the **Period of Insurance**.

The offer of renewal on different terms, or for different premium, when compared to this **Period of Insurance** does not constitute a refusal to renew.

The option to request this extension of cover is not available when:

- 1. this **Policy** is not renewed due to non-payment of **Premium**;
- 2. the Policyholder is insolvent;
- 3. this Section of the **Policy** is replaced with another Corporate Legal Liability policy or similar management liability insurance; or
- 4. there is a Change of Control at the end of Period of Insurance; or
- 5. the **Policy** is cancelled.

# **CORPORATE LEGAL LIABILITY – EXCLUSIONS**

#### **Conduct**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any:

- fraudulent act or other criminal act involving dishonesty or other deliberate breach of any law or regulation by an **Insured**; or
- 2. profit or advantage obtained by an **Insured Company** to which the **Insured Company** was not lawfully entitled;

established by formal admission, final judgment or adjudication.

The **Insurer** may at its sole discretion and cost seek the written opinion of Queen's Counsel jointly selected by the parties (where joint selection cannot be agreed the parties agree to be bound by the selection of the Chairman of the Bar Council) acting as legal expert and not as an arbitrator, on the prospects of successfully defending an

**Insured Company** against allegations of that unlawful conduct, more fully detailed above; if there are no reasonable prospects of successfully so defending that **Insured Company**, this exclusion applies as if that conduct had been established by formal admission, final judgment or adjudication.

# **Bodily Injury and Property Damage**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any:

- 1. death, bodily injury, illness or disease or psychiatric injury; or
- 2. emotional distress or injury to feelings; or
- 3. damage to, or loss or destruction of, tangible property including any loss of use.

# **Offerings of Securities**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any private placement or public offering of **Securities** during the **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Prior Claims and Circumstances**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** or **Circumstance** that was known of, or ought to have been known of, by any **Insured** prior to the **Period of Insurance** irrespective of whether or not that **Claim** or **Circumstance** was notified under any earlier insurance policy, or Section of a policy, then in force.

# **Prior Litigation**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any legal or proceedings commenced prior to the date shown in the **Schedule** including any later **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving, the same or substantially the same or similar, source, cause, facts, acts committed or attempted, omissions, situations, transactions or events on which those prior legal or proceedings are founded.

#### **Employment Practices**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Wrongful Act** as defined in the Employment Practices Liability Section.

### **Products**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Product**.

#### **Professional Services**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any breach of professional duty, or any provision of, or failure to provide, professional advice or services, designs, specifications, inspection, certification, formulae, plans, directions, surveys or testing, for a fee, or in circumstances where a fee would normally be charged.

# **Employee Dishonesty**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving the dishonesty of any **Employee** for any:

- 1. accounting or arithmetical error, omission or unexplained shortage;
- 2. default or non-payment of any loan, credit or similar agreement;
- 3. loss of interest, profit or other consequential loss.

# **Contractual Liability**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Insured Company's** breach of contract or any liability voluntarily assumed by any **Insured Company** in a contract, except to the extent that liability would attach in the absence of that contract.

#### **Benefits**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any obligations in respect of disability benefits, unemployment benefits, redundancy benefits, retirement benefits or social security benefits.

#### **Schemes and Trustees**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** for breach of statute, regulation or common law, against an **Insured Company** while acting as an administrator, trustee or other fiduciary of any trust fund, pension scheme, superannuation scheme, profit sharing scheme, employee benefit scheme, including any failure to fund such trust or schemes.

#### **Pollution**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving **Pollution** except for any **Claim** against an **Insured Company** brought by a shareholder or group of shareholders of that **Insured Company** either directly or derivatively without the solicitation, voluntary assistance or participation of any **Insured Person**.

# **Unfair Trading Practices**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving violation of laws or regulations concerning anti-competitive practices or activities in restraint of trade, economic torts or other unlawful interference with the business of another.

# **Defamation and Intellectual Property**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving defamation or infringement of patents, trade marks, copyrights, design rights or any other violation of intellectual property rights.

#### Tax

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any obligations in respect of direct or indirect taxation.

#### Insured vs Insured

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** instigated, brought, maintained by an **Insured Company**, except for any **Claim** against an **Insured Company** brought by a shareholder or group of shareholders of that **Insured Company** derivatively without the solicitation, voluntary assistance or participation of any **Insured Person**.

# **US/Canada Litigation**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** brought against the **Insured** within the jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada or in any country or territory which operates under the laws of the United States of America or Canada or in respect of any order made anywhere in the World to enforce a judgement award or settlement in respect of any such **Claim**.

# **Employment Practices Liability Section**

# **EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES – INSURING AGREEMENT**

The **Insurer** will pay on behalf of an **Insured Person** or **Insured Company** any **Loss** resulting from a **Claim** first made against that **Insured Person** or **Insured Company** in the **Period of Insurance**.

# **EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES – LIMIT OF LIABILITY**

The **Limit of Liability** in respect of any **Loss** covered under this Section for the **Period of Insurance**, including cover granted by extension or **Endorsement** to this Section, applies irrespective of the number of **Claims** made, or the number of **Insureds** claiming indemnity, under this Section or any extension or **Endorsement** to this Section.

# **EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES – EXTENSION**

#### **Extended Notification Period**

Where the **Insurer** or the **Policyholder** refuses to renew this Section of the **Policy**, the **Policyholder** or an **Insured Person** may purchase an extended notification period of twelve (12) months from the last day of this **Period of Insurance**, for an additional premium equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the full annual **Premium** for this **Period of Insurance**.

Written notice of purchase must be received by the **Insurer** within thirty (30) days of the end of **Period of Insurance**, as well as the full additional premium.

The additional premium will be deemed to be fully earned at the start of the extended notification period and no refund will be made in the event of cancellation.

This extension of cover is for any **Claim** made during or before the extended notification period, but only where based upon an allegation of a **Wrongful Act** committed or attempted prior to the extended notification period.

The extended notification period is deemed to be included within the **Period of Insurance** and consequently the **Limit of Liability** for the **Period of Insurance** will not increase or be reinstated, and the **Policy** Condition 'Notification of Claims and Circumstances' will apply to any **Claim** first made in the extended notification period as if that period were the **Period of Insurance**.

The offer of renewal on different terms, or for different premium, when compared to this **Period of Insurance** does not constitute a refusal to renew.

The option to request this extension of cover is not available when:

- 1. this **Policy** is not renewed due to non-payment of **Premium**; or
- 2. the Policyholder is insolvent; or
- this Section of the **Policy** is replaced with another Employment Practices Liability policy or similar management liability insurance; or
- 4. there is a Change of Control at the end of Period of Insurance; or
- 5. the **Policy** is cancelled.

# **EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES – EXCLUSIONS**

#### Conduct

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any:

- fraudulent act or other criminal act involving dishonesty or other deliberate breach of any law or regulation by any Insured Person or Insured Company; or
- 2. profit or advantage obtained by an **Insured Company** to which the **Insured Company** was not lawfully entitled; established by formal admission, final judgment or adjudication.

The **Insurer** may at its sole discretion and cost seek the written opinion of Queen's Counsel jointly selected by the parties (where joint selection cannot be agreed the parties agree to be bound by the selection of the Chairman of the Bar Council) acting as legal expert and not as an arbitrator, on the prospects of successfully defending an **Insured Person** or **Insured Company** against allegations of that unlawful conduct, more fully detailed above; if there are no reasonable prospects of successfully so defending that **Insured Person** or **Insured Company**, this exclusion applies as if that conduct had been established by formal admission, final judgment or adjudication.

#### **Schemes and Trustees**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** for breach of statute, regulation or common law, against an **Insured Person** or **Insured Company** while acting as an administrator, trustee or other fiduciary of any trust fund, pension scheme, superannuation scheme, profit sharing scheme, employee benefit scheme, including any failure to fund such trust or schemes.

#### **Prior Claims and Circumstances**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** or **Circumstance** that was known of, or ought to have been known of, by any **Insured** prior to the **Period of Insurance** irrespective of whether or not that **Claim** or **Circumstance** was notified under any earlier insurance policy, or Section of a policy, then in force.

# **Prior Litigation**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any legal or proceedings commenced prior to the date shown in the **Schedule** including any later **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving, the same or substantially the same or similar, source, cause, facts, acts committed or attempted, omissions, situations, transactions or events on which those prior legal or proceedings are founded.

# **Bodily Injury and Property Damage**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any:

- 1. death, bodily injury, illness or disease or psychiatric injury; or
- 2. damage to, or loss or destruction of, tangible property including any loss of use.

#### Tax

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any obligations in respect of direct or indirect taxation.

#### Benefits

Except for any **Claim** based upon on an allegation of a **Wrongful Act** involving **Retaliation**, the **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any legal obligations in respect of private health insurance, workplace health and safety, disability benefits, unemployment benefits, redundancy benefits, retirement benefits or social security benefits.

# **Collective Bargaining Agreements**

Except for any **Claim** based upon on an allegation of a **Wrongful Act** involving **Retaliation**, the **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any collective bargaining agreement, membership or non-membership of any trade union or other labour relation organisation, or any industrial labour dispute.

# **Employment Contract Liability**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify **Loss**, other than **Defence Costs**, arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any failure to pay any **Employee** salary or **Benefits**, including notice period payments or sums due under minimum wage or equal pay requirements.

# **Contractual Liability**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify **Loss**, other than **Defence Costs**, arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Insured's** breach of contract or any liability voluntarily assumed by any **Insured** in a contract, except to the extent that liability would attach in the absence of that contract.

#### **Other Orders**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify **Loss**, other than **Defence Costs**, arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any non-pecuniary order or the costs incurred in complying or refusing to comply with an order for the reinstatement of an **Employee**.

#### **US/Canada Litigation**

The **Insurer** will not indemnify any **Loss** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving any **Claim** brought against the **Insured** within the jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada or in any country or territory which operates under the laws of the United States of America or Canada or in respect of any order made anywhere in the World to enforce a judgement award or settlement in respect of any such **Claim**.

# **Professional Indemnity Section**

# PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY – INSURING AGREEMENTS

The **Insurer** agrees to indemnify the **Insured** liability for any **Claim** first made against the **Insured** and notified to the **Insurer** during the **Period of Insurance** in accordance with Notification Claim Conditions in respect of any:

- 1. Civil liability; or
- 2. Unintentional breach of confidentiality or misuse of information; or
- 3. Infringement of intellectual property rights which includes copyright, patent, trademark or acts of passing off,

arising from any act, error or omission by the **Insured** or by any **Employees** in the conduct of the **Insured's Professional Business**.

**The Insurer** also agrees to pay **Costs** either incurred by the **Insurer** or incurred by the **Insured** with the **Insurer's** prior written consent.

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# PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY – AUTOMATIC EXTENSIONS

The automatic extensions are subject to all terms applicable to this Section.

The **Insurer** agrees to cover the **Insured**:

#### **Loss of Documents**

For expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred by the **Insured** in replacing or restoring **Documents** that after a diligent search cannot be located or that have been accidentally destroyed or damaged beyond reasonable use and for which the **Insured** is legally responsible and which were in the **Insured's** physical custody or control or any other person to whom the **Insured** entrusted, lodged or deposited such **Documents** provided

- 1. The loss, destruction or damage of the **Documents** is first discovered during the **Period of Insurance**; and
- 2. The **Insured** notify the **Insurer** within 30 days and within the **Period of Insurance** of discovery of the loss, destruction or damage of the **Documents**; and
- 3. The **Insured** provide the **Insurer** with bills and accounts substantiating the expenses incurred by the **Insured** in replacing or restoring the lost, destroyed or damaged **Documents**; and
- 4. The expenses are incurred with the **Insurer's** prior written consent and the **Insurer** approves, or a competent person nominated by the **Insurer** approves, the bills and accounts; and
- 5. The replacement or restoration of the **Documents** is reasonably required.

The **Insurer's** total liability under this extension for any one **Claim** and in the aggregate for all **Claims** during the **Period of Insurance** will not exceed £100,000. Such liability is part of, and not in addition to, the **Limit of Liability**.

#### **Sub-Consultants**

For the **Insured's** liability in respect of any **Claim** made against any sub-consultant undertaking work for the **Insured** as a sub-consultant and whose acts, errors or omissions arise from the **Insured's Professional Business** provided always that the **Insurer's** rights of subrogation as contained in the Subrogation General Condition are not waived or otherwise amended to the **Insurer's** detriment by the **Insured**. The **Insured** will take reasonable steps to ensure that the sub-consultant has and maintains professional indemnity insurance with an appropriate limit of liability not less than the **Limit of Liability**, unless agreed otherwise by the **Insurer** in writing.

# Joint Venture Liability

For the **Insured's** liability in respect of any **Claim** made against the **Insured** where the **Insured** is engaged in a joint venture but restricted to liability in respect of work performed solely by the **Insured** arising from the conduct of the **Insured's Professional Business**.

The **Insurer** will not cover any liability of the **Insured's** joint venture partner nor any liability arising from work performed by such joint venture partner, unless agreed otherwise by the **Insurer** in writing.

# **Libel and Slander**

For the **Insured's** liability in respect of any **Claim** made against them arising from their committing libel or slander in the conduct of their **Professional Business**.

# **Compensation for Attendance**

For the cost of attendance at a formal court hearing or formal interview by the Insured or their Employees in

connection with a **Claim** or **Circumstance** reasonably expected to give rise to a **Claim** notified to the **Insurer** where such attendance is considered by the **Insurer** to be necessary or beneficial to reduce liability which may result in a payment under this **Policy**. The cover is subject to:

- 1. the **Insurer** having given prior written agreement to such attendance;
- 2. indemnity for such costs being restricted to a rate of £500 per principal, partner, member or director per day and £250 per **Employee** per day; and
- 3. a total indemnity payable under this extension of £150,000. Such indemnity being within, and not in addition to, the **Limit of Liability**.

This Automatic Extension is not subject to the Excess.

#### PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY - DEFINITIONS

Notwithstanding the General Definitions of this **Policy**, the words defined below will have the following special meanings wherever they appear in bold letters within this Section

#### Claim means

- 1. Any written or oral demand for monetary damages or other relief including non-pecuniary relief.
- 2. Any civil, arbitration or adjudication proceedings including any counterclaim or appeal.

**Computer System** means any computer data processing equipment media, or part thereof, or system or data storage and retrieval or communication system network protocol, or part thereof, or storage device microchip integrated circuit real time clock system or similar device or any computer software (including but not limited to application software operating systems runtime environments or compliers) firmware or microcode.

Computer Virus means a piece of unauthorised executable code which propagates itself through the Insured's Computer System.

**Costs** means any reasonable fees, expenses, costs and disbursements incurred in investigating, adjusting or defending a **Claim** covered by this **Policy** including any appeal issued in connection with a **Claim** and to which the **Insurer** has given their prior written consent. Any internal or overhead expenses or the cost of any of the **Insured's** time is not included.

**Documents** means any of the following documents, but only in the event and to the extent that such documents are related to conducting the **Insured's Professional Business**: Deeds, wills, agreements, maps, plans, books, letters, policies, certificates, forms and documents of any nature, whether printed, written or reproduced by any method including computer records and electronically stored data but does not mean bonds or coupons, stamps, bank or currency notes, money or any negotiable instrument.

#### **Employee** means

- 1. any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with the **Insured**
- 2. whilst working for the **Insured** in the course of the **Professional Business** 
  - a. any person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with another employer and who is hired to or borrowed by the **Insured**
  - b. a prospective employee who is undergoing practical work experience or any person participating in any Government or otherwise authorised work experience training study exchange or similar scheme
  - c. any person who is an outworker or home worker
  - d. any person who is a voluntary helper

**Fungus** means any form or type of mould or mushroom or mildew.

**Knowledge or Detection** means when the **Insured** become aware of facts which would cause a reasonable person to assume that a loss covered by this **Policy** has been or will be incurred, even though the exact amount or details of the loss may not then be known.

**Proposal Form** means the written proposal form submitted by the **Insured** to the **Insurer** together with any other related particulars and statements that have been supplied to the **Insurer** in writing.

Retroactive Date means the date specified in the Schedule

**Spores** means any dormant or reproductive body produced or arising out of any **Fungus**.

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#### PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY – EXCLUSIONS

This Section will not apply in respect of:

#### **Associates**

- Any Claim against the Insured brought by or on behalf of any parent, subsidiary or associated company of the Insured:
- 2. Any Claim against the Insured by any other company in which the Insured has a financial interest;
- 3. Any Claim against the Insured by any other company in common control with the Insured,

unless such **Claim** emanates from an independent third-party.

#### **Assumed Duty or Obligation**

Liability directly or indirectly arising out of, or in any way connected to, any duty, obligation or liability incurred, entered into or assumed by the **Insured** which is not incurred, entered into or assumed in the normal conduct of the **Insured's Professional Business**.

#### **Bodily Injury**

Liability in respect of any **Claim** directly or indirectly based upon attributable to or in consequence of bodily injury, mental injury, sickness, disease or death of any person; provided that this Exclusion will not apply to **Claims** incurred as a result of breach of professional duty in the conduct of the **Insured's Professional Business**.

#### Contract

Any **Claim** arising out of any express contract, agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee unless liability would have attached to the **Insured** in the absence of such express contract, agreement, warranty, indemnity, waiver or guarantee.

#### **Computer Viruses**

Any Claim arising from the transmission of a Computer Virus including any malicious or inappropriate e-mail.

#### **Directors and Officers**

Any breach by the **Insured** of a personal duty owed solely in the capacity of a member, director, secretary or officer of a body corporate.

#### **Financial Services**

Any Claim arising from, attributable to, relating to or in any way involving:

- 1. depreciation or loss of investments when the depreciation or loss is as a result of any fluctuation in any financial, stock or commodity markets;
- any actual or alleged dealings of any nature by which it is sought to affect the price of, or market in, any shares or debentures of any company or commodity or currency, or of any negotiable instrument, other than dealings carried out in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations applicable to such dealings;

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3. any financial or investment advice provided by the **Insured**, including but not limited to any advice given, services performed, recommendation as to the valuation, tax implications or performance of any investment which have not been authorised where such authorisation will have been required under any statutory regulation by an appropriate statutory authority.

#### **Fraud and Dishonesty**

- Any Claim directly or indirectly arising from, or attributable to, any actual or alleged act or omission by the Insured or their sub-consultants which was in reckless disregard, fraudulent, dishonest, malicious or criminal; or
- 2. Any liability arising directly or indirectly from, or attributable to, or in consequence of any wilful breach of any statute, regulation, contract or duty by the **Insured** or their sub-consultants.

#### **Geographical Limits**

**Professional Business** undertaken within the United States of America, Canada and any country, territory or jurisdiction in which American or Canadian law (Federal, State or Provincial) is applicable or in which a judgement based upon such law may be enforceable in connection with such work.

#### **Insolvency**

Any **Claim** or loss directly or indirectly arising out of, or in any way involving:

- the Insured's insolvency and/or liquidation and/or administration and/or scheme of arrangements or other financial difficulties;
- 2. the insolvency of any insurance company, bank investment manager, building society, stock broker, investment intermediary or any other business, firm or company with whom the **Insured** has directly or indirectly arranged any investments, deposits or insurances.

#### **Insurance and Financial Matters**

- 1. Any failure to obtain or maintain adequate insurance or finance.
- 2. Any lost profit, mark-up or any VAT or similar tax.

#### **Insurance Claims**

Any **Claim** of whatsoever nature by any underwriter or insurance company by reason of any act, error or omission committed in the course of the **Insured's** activities as insurance agents.

#### **Jurisdictional Limits**

Legal proceedings brought in a Court of Law in the United States of America, Canada and any country, territory or jurisdiction in which American or Canadian law (Federal, State or Provincial) is applicable or in which a judgement based upon such law may be enforceable in connection with such proceeding.

#### Land, Buildings, Transport

Liability incurred or alleged to have been incurred, if arising directly or indirectly from the ownership, possession

or use by the **Insured** or on the **Insured's** behalf of any land, buildings, aircraft, vessel or mechanically propelled vehicle.

#### **Liability to Employees**

Liability to **Employees** in respect of any **Claim** arising from any employment dispute, including any such dispute directly or indirectly based upon attributable to or in consequence of bodily injury, mental injury, sickness, disease or death or any breach of any obligations owed by the **Insured** as an employer for discrimination, harassment, unfair treatment or unfair dismissal or failure to promote any **Employee**.

#### **Non-Competitive Behaviour and Taxation**

Any **Claim** directly or indirectly arising from or attributable to breach of any competition, restraint of trade or anti-trust legislation or regulation or any other restrictive practice.

#### **Partnership Duties**

Any actual or alleged breach of the **Insured's** partnership or shareholder agreement or arrangements, including any equivalent agreement or arrangement where the **Insured** is a limited liability partnership or a company without share capital.

#### **Pension and Trust Liability**

Any breach by the **Insured** of a duty owed or arising from the operation or administration of any trust fund, pension or other employee benefit scheme.

#### **Pollution and/or Contamination**

Any pollution, seepage, discharge, dispersal, release or escape of any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant including, but not limited to, smoke, vapours, soot, dust, fibres, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste (including but not limited to material to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed) or contamination of any kind. For the avoidance of doubt and for the purposes of this Exclusion, asbestos is considered a contaminant.

#### **Prior Knowledge**

- 1. Any Claim first made, threatened or intimated against the Insured prior to the Period of Insurance;
- Any Claim or loss arising out of any Circumstance reasonably expected to give rise to a Claim of which the Insured were aware of or ought reasonably to have been aware of prior to the Period of Insurance;
- 3. Any **Claim**, **Circumstance** reasonably expected to give rise to a **Claim** or other matter notified to any insurance policy preceding the **Period of Insurance**.

#### **Products**

Any **Claim** arising from the **Insured** or any sub-contractor, agent or consultant having supplied, serviced, manufactured, erected, constructed, altered, repaired, treated, transported, sold, recalled, fabricated, distributed, installed or maintained any goods or products(including containers labelling instructions or advice provided in connection therewith).

#### **Property Damage**

Liability incurred from the loss or destruction of, or damage to, any property unless arising from lost **Documents** or design or specification, technical information calculation or survey performed by or on the **Insured's** behalf in the conduct the **Insured's Professional Business**.

#### **Retroactive Date**

Any Claims arising out of the exercise and conduct of the Insured's Professional Business carried out prior to any Retroactive Date.

#### **Toxic Mould**

Any **Claim** of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly arising out of or in any way involving the presence of or any form of release of aspergillus fumigatus, any fungus or mycota or any by-product or type of infestation produced by such **Fungus** or mycota, including but not limited to, mould, mildew, mycotoxins, **Spores**, or any biogenic aerosols.

#### **Trading Debts**

Any **Claim** arising from or directly or indirectly attributable to any of the **Insured's** trading debts or trading losses or any guarantee or undertaking given by the **Insured** for a debt or performance of any other obligation by a third party.

#### War/Terrorism

Any **Claim** of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any of the following, regardless of any cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the **Claim**:

- War, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power; or
- 2. Any act of terrorism.

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

This Exclusion also includes any liability for any **Claim** and/or **Costs** on account of any **Claim** of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to (1) and/or (2) above.

If the **Insurer** alleges that by reason of this Exclusion, any **Claim**, **Costs**, or expenses are not covered by this **Policy**, the burden of proving the contrary will be upon the **Insured**.

## Workmanship

Any defective workmanship, defective materials, manual labour operations or any defective materials or production techniques used in the manufacture of any product.

#### PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY – CLAIM CONDITIONS

The following conditions are applicable to this Section only:

#### Notification

It is a condition precedent to liability under this **Policy** that the **Insured** will notify the **Insurer** in writing as soon as practicable and no later than 3 months after **Knowledge** or **Detection** and in any event no later than the end of the **Period of Insurance** of any:

- 1. Claim made against the Insured;
- 2. **Circumstance** reasonably expected to give rise to a **Claim** against the **Insured** whether or not the **Insured** believe the **Claim** that may arise therefrom has any merit or is valid;
- 3. notice of any intention to make a **Claim** against the **Insured**;
- 4. discovery or reasonable cause for suspicion of dishonesty or fraud on the part of any of the **Insured's** former or present principals, partners, members, directors, **Employees**, or sub-consultants whether giving rise to a loss or **Claim** hereunder or not.

Any subsequent **Claim** arising out of matters notified under (1) and (2) above will in each case be deemed to have been a **Claim** made during the **Period of Insurance**.

Notification is deemed to have been made only when received in writing by the **Insurer** or the nominee, if any, named in an **Endorsement** to this **Policy**.

The notification must include full particulars, including the identity of the claimant or potential claimant, details of the allegations and potential allegations against the **Insured**, identification of the project and services giving rise to the **Claim** or potential **Claim**, the potential quantum if known involved in the **Claim** and in the case of a **Circumstance** reasonably expected to give rise to a **Claim**, the notification should include the reasons for the belief that a **Claim** is likely to be made.

Following receipt of any Letter of Claim, Pre-Action Protocol Letter, Claim Form, other legal procedural documents, Summons, Arbitration Notice or other such similar correspondence and documents to those described, the **Insured** must deliver the correspondence or document to the **Insurer** as soon as practicable.

Compliance with this Notification Condition will be at the Insured's own cost

#### **Dishonest or Fraudulent Persons**

Should the **Insured** suffer any loss or **Claim** or incur any liability of the type insured under the **Policy** by reason of the dishonest or fraudulent act or omission of any of the **Insured's** former or present principals, partners, members, directors or **Employees**:

- 1. the **Insured** will at the **Insurer's** request take all reasonable steps to obtain reimbursement from such person;
- 2. any monies which but for the dishonest or fraudulent act or omission would be due to such persons from the **Insured** or any monies of such persons held by the **Insured** will be deducted from any amount payable hereunder;
- notwithstanding the Indemnity to Employees Clause of this Section no indemnity in respect of such loss or Claim will be afforded hereunder to any person committing or condoning such dishonest or fraudulent act or omission;
- 4. nothing herein will preclude the **Insurer** from exercising any right of subrogation against any person committing or condoning such dishonest or fraudulent act or omission;

- 5. the sums payable hereunder will be only for the balance of liability in excess of the amounts recoverable from the dishonest or fraudulent person or persons or their estates or legal representatives;
- 6. the Insured will bear the burden of providing satisfactory proof to substantiate a loss hereunder (including any Costs incurred in such process) and the Insurer will be under no obligation to provide indemnity to the Insured until such time as the Insurer is satisfied that such loss has in fact been sustained;
- 7. the **Insurer** will not be liable for any loss sustained in consequence of any act or omission occurring after the date of the discovery of, or of reasonable cause for suspicion of, dishonest or fraudulent conduct on the **Insured's** part.

#### PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY – GENERAL CONDITIONS

The following conditions are applicable to this Section only:

#### **Take Over and Mergers**

In the event of:

- 1. the consolidation of, or merger by, the **Insured** in to another entity, or the sale of all or substantially all of the **Insured's** assets to another entity; or
- 2. the direct or indirect acquisition, ownership or control by another entity or entities of more than fifty per cent (50%) of the **Insured's** issued share capital; or
- 3. the direct or indirect acquisition, ownership or control by another entity or entities of more than fifty per cent (50%) of the voting rights in the **Insured**; or
- 4. the assumption of another entity of the right to appoint or remove directors from the Insured's board;
- 5. the appointment of an insolvency practitioner to the **Insured**

this Section will apply only to any **Claim** arising from the **Insured's Professional Business** carried out prior to the effective date of such transaction or event, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the **Insurer**.

#### **Acquisitions**

If the **Insured** acquire another entity, the **Insurer** agrees that this Section will provide cover for any **Claim** arising from the **Insured's Professional Business** carried out by the acquired entity after the effective date of the acquisition and once the **Insured** has taken full control of the entity subject to:

- cover only being provided for a maximum period of 30 continuous days starting on the effective date of the acquisition and once the **Insured** has taken full control of the entity, but not for any period beyond the **Period of Insurance**; and
- the employee turnover of the acquired entity, for the period of 12 months prior to the effective date of the acquisition, being no greater than 15% of the Insured's employee turnover stated in the Proposal Form; and
- 3. the entity taken over not being listed on any stock exchange or alternative investment market and not having outside shareholders; and
- 4. the acquired practice being previously insured.

The **Insurer** agrees to extend the coverage for such acquired entity beyond the 30 day period set forth in (1) above, subject to the **Insured**: (i) providing the **Insurer** with full particulars of the acquired entity; and (ii) agreeing to pay any additional premium and accepting any amendment of this **Policy** as the **Insurer** may require; and (iii) paying any such additional premium.

#### Confidentiality

The **Insured** will not disclose the terms applicable to this Section or the amount of the **Premium** paid to any third party:

- except to the extent that the **Insured** is required by law to do so or by any regulatory authority as may be
  necessary to demonstrate to such regulatory authority that any mandatory insurance requirements of
  such authority have been satisfied; or
- except that the existence of the Section and the Limit of Liability available hereunder may be disclosed to
  an insurer, to a client or a prospective client, wholesale broker or placing agent where this is necessary to
  maintain agency facilities, provided that no such disclosure will be permitted in circumstances where the

**Insured** is aware or ought reasonably to be aware that the person to whom disclosure is going to be made has made or is likely to make a **Claim** against the **Insured**; or

3. except to the extent that the **Insurer** consents, in writing, to such disclosure.

#### **Expert Determination**

In the event of a dispute concerning whether to contest or settle a **Claim** against the **Insured**, but not involving a dispute arising out of the interpretation of this Section of the **Policy**, the parties will seek, and be bound by, the written opinion of Queen's Counsel (or an equivalent or like person to be mutually agreed upon) jointly selected by the parties (where joint selection cannot be agreed the parties agree to be bound by the selection of the Chairman of the Bar Council) acting as a legal expert and not as an arbitrator, but only to the extent that the opinion concerns either the probability of success in those proceedings or the reasonableness of settlement. The costs of this instruction will form part of the **Costs**.

#### **Indemnity to Employees**

If the **Insured** requires, the **Insurer** will indemnify any of **Employees** in like manner to the **Insured** provided the **Employee** observes and complies and is subject to the terms applicable to this Section.

#### **Subrogation**

The **Insurer** will not exercise subrogated rights against any of the **Insured's** principals, partners, directors or **Employees** or former **Employees** under this **Policy** except where it is established by formal admission, adjudication or judgment that the principal, partner, director or **Employee** or former **Employee** has acted fraudulently or has committed a criminal act involving dishonesty or has obtained profit or advantage to which the principal, partner, director or **Employee** or former **Employee** was not lawfully entitled.

#### **Waiver or Amendment**

The terms of this **Policy** will not be waived or amended except by endorsement issued by the **Insurer** or intended to be issued by the **Insurer** to form part of this **Policy**.

#### PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY - LIMIT OF LIABILITY

The following are applicable to this Section only:

#### **Limit of Liability**

The Insurer's total liability under this Section for any one Claim will not exceed the Limit of Liability.

For the purposes of the **Limit of Liability** the following are regarded as one **Claim**:

- 1. any **Claims** arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving, the same or substantially the same or similar, source, cause, facts, acts committed or attempted, omissions, situations, transactions or events.
- 2. any loss or series of related losses for which indemnity is available arising out of, based upon, attributable to, in connection with or in any way involving, the same or substantially the same or similar, source, cause, facts, acts committed or attempted, omissions, situations, transactions or events.
- 3. any **Claims**, loss or losses directly or indirectly arising from fraud or dishonesty.

The Insurer's liability for Costs is within the Limit of Liability

#### **Excess**

A separate Excess will apply in respect of each and every Claim. The Insured is responsible for each such Excess payment and such payment by the Insured is a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability under this Policy. The Insurer is only liable to indemnify the Insured for that part of the Insured's liability for each Claim that is greater than the Excess. Where the Insurer has paid on the Insured's behalf part or all of the Excess/es the Insured will reimburse the Insurer in respect of the same.

The **Schedule** states whether the **Excess** applies to **Costs**.

## **Commercial Legal Protection Section**

This Section of the Policy is provided by ARAG plc on behalf of the insurer, ARAG Allgemeine Versicherungs-AG Branch UK.

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#### How to contact us about your insurance policy

#### To make a claim

#### Telling us about your claim

- 1 If an **insured** needs to make a claim, they must notify **us** as soon as possible.
- 2 If an **insured** instructs their own solicitor or accountant without telling **us**, they will be liable for costs that are not covered by this policy.
- A claim form can be downloaded at <a href="www.arag.co.uk/newclaims">www.arag.co.uk/newclaims</a> or requested by telephoning us on 0330 303 1955 between 9am and 5pm weekdays (except bank holidays).
- 4 The completed claim form and supporting documentation can be sent to **us** by email, post or fax. Further details are set out in the claim form itself.

#### What happens next?

- 1 **We** will send the **insured** a written acknowledgment by the end of the next working day after receiving their
- Within five working days of receiving all the information needed to assess the availability of cover under the policy, **we** will write to the **insured** either:
  - a confirming cover under the terms of this policy and advising the **insured** of the next steps to progress their claim: or
  - b if the claim is not covered, **we** will explain in full the reason why and advise whether **we** can assist in another way.
- When a representative is appointed they will try to resolve the **insured**'s dispute without delay, arranging mediation whenever appropriate.
- 4 **We** will check on the progress of the **insured's** claim with the **appointed advisor** from time to time. Sometimes matters cannot be resolved quickly, particularly if the other side is slow to cooperate or a legal timetable is decided by the courts.

#### How to contact us for advice

All helplines are subject to fair and reasonable use. The level of fair usage will depend on individual circumstances. However, if our advisors consider that your helpline usage is becoming excessive they will tell you. If following that warning, usage is not reduced to a more reasonable level, we can refuse to accept further calls.

#### Legal and tax advice 0344 571 7978

If you have a legal or tax problem relating to your business, we recommend you call our confidential legal and tax advice helpline. Legal advice is available 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year, and tax advice is available between 9am and 5pm on weekdays (except bank holidays)

We give advice about business-related legal matters within UK and EU law and tax matters within the UK.

your query will be dealt with by a qualified specialist who is experienced in handling legal and tax-related matters. Use of this service does not constitute reporting of a claim.

#### Redundancy assistance 0330 303 1955

If you are planning redundancies and need extra legal support, we can arrange specialist consultancy assistance for you. Redundancy assistance will help you to implement a fair selection process and ensure that the redundancy notices are correctly served. The service offers document review and telephone or written advice and is subject to a charge. If you would like us to arrange Redundancy assistance please call us between 9am and 5pm on weekdays (except bank holidays).

#### Executive suite - identity theft resolution 0333 000 2083

This service is available to the principal, executive officers, directors and partners of the business between 9am and 5pm on weekdays (except bank holidays). We provide telephone advice to help executives keep their personal identity secure. Where identity theft is suspected, our specialist caseworkers can help the victim to restore their credit rating and correspond with their card issuer, bank or other parties. Identity theft expenses are insured under Executive Suite c when your executives use this helpline.

#### Crisis communication 0344 571 7964

Following an event that has attracted negative publicity which could affect your business, you can access professional public relations support from our Crisis communication experts at any time.

In advance of any actual adverse publicity, where possible, initial advice for you to act upon will be provided over the phone. If your circumstances require professional work to be carried out at that time, we can help on a consultancy basis and subject to you paying a fee.

Where an event has led to actual publicity online, in print or broadcast, that could damage your business, you are insured against the costs of crisis communication services under **Crisis Communication** when you use this helpline.

#### Counselling assistance 0333 000 2082

Our qualified counsellors will provide free confidential support and advice by phone to your employees or their family members who are suffering from emotional upset or feeling worried and anxious about a personal or work-related problem.

#### **How to access Business Legal Services**

www.araglegal.co.uk

#### **Getting started**

Click on the "How our services work" button on the home page to take a two-minute tour of our business legal services website. Learn more about what the website offers and how you can use it to save legal costs and to support the smooth running of your business. You will need to enter voucher code X1232KC79BB5 when you register to use the website.

Once you have registered you can access the website at any time to create and securely store your legal documents. you can visit our website to see a video about this service.

#### **Choosing your legal documents**

We recommend selecting "Legal healthcheck" from the menu of services. This useful tool will help you to identify which legal documents are likely to be most useful to your business. We have suggested legal documents and law guide content that may help you in particular circumstances throughout this policy wording.

## **Commercial Legal Protection Section - Cover**

For claims covered by WHAT IS COVERED, the **insurer** will pay **legal costs & expenses** including the cost of appeals (and compensation awards under **Employment Compensation Awards**), up to

- a £100,000
- b an aggregate limit of £1,000,000 for compensation awards under **Employment Compensation Awards**

subject to all the following requirements being met:

- 1 You have paid the insurance premium.
- 2 The **insured** keeps to the terms of this policy and cooperates fully with **us**.
- 3 Unless otherwise stated in this policy, the event arises in connection with **your business** and occurs within the **territorial limits.**
- 4 The claim
  - a always has reasonable prospects of success and
  - b is reported to us
    - i) during the **period of insurance** and
    - ii) as soon as the insured first becomes aware of circumstances which could give rise to a claim.
- 5 Unless there is a conflict of interest, the insured always agrees to use the appointed advisor chosen by us
  - a in any claim to be heard by an Employment Tribunal and/or
  - b before proceedings have been or need to be issued.
- Any dispute will be dealt with through mediation or by a court, tribunal, Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service or a relevant regulatory or licensing body within the territorial limits.

We consider that a claim has been reported to us when we have received the insured's fully completed claim form.

## **Commercial Legal Protection Section - Sub-sections of cover**

## **Employment**

#### What is covered?

A dispute between **you** and **your employee**, ex-**employee**, or a prospective **employee**, arising from a breach or an alleged breach of their

- a contract of service with you
- b related legal rights.

You can claim under the policy as soon as all internal procedures as set out in the

- i) ACAS Code of Practice for Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures, or
- ii) Labour Relations Agency Code of Practice on Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures in Northern Ireland have been or ought to have been concluded.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to:

- 1 the pursuit of an action by you other than an appeal against the decision of a court or tribunal
- actual or alleged redundancy that is notified to **employees** within 180 days of the start of this policy, except where **you** have had equivalent cover in force up until the start of this policy
- 3 costs you incur to prepare for an internal disciplinary hearing, grievance or appeal
- 4 a pension scheme where actions are brought by ten or more **employees** or ex-**employees**.

## **Employment Compensation Awards**

#### What is covered?

Following a claim we have accepted under Employment, the insurer will pay any

- a basic and compensatory award or
- b an amount agreed by **us** in settlement of a dispute.

Provided that compensation is:

- i) agreed through mediation or conciliation or under a settlement approved by us in advance or
- ii) awarded by a tribunal judgment after full argument unless given by default.

#### What is not covered?

- 1 Money due to an **employee** under a contract or a statutory provision relating thereto.
- 2 Compensation awards or settlement relating to
  - i) trade union membership, industrial or labour arbitration or collective bargaining agreement
  - ii) civil claims or statutory rights relating to trustees of occupational pension schemes

### **Employment Restrictive Covenants**

#### What is covered?

a A dispute with **your employee** or ex-**employee** which arises from their breach of a restrictive covenant where **you** are seeking financial remedy or damages.

Provided that the restrictive covenant

- i) is designed to protect your legitimate business interests, for a period not exceeding 12 months and
- ii) is evidenced in writing and signed by your employee or ex-employee and
- iii) extends no further than is reasonably necessary to protect the **business** interests.
- b A dispute with another party who alleges that you have breached their legal rights protected by a restrictive covenant.

## **Tax Disputes**

#### What is covered?

- a A formally notified enquiry into your business tax.
- b A dispute about **your** compliance with HMRC regulations relating to **your employees**, workers or payments to contractors.
- c An enquiry with HMRC about Value Added Tax.

#### Provided that:

- a you keep proper records in accordance with legal requirements and
- b in respect of any appealable matter you have requested an Internal Review from HMRC where available.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to:

- tax returns which are submitted late or for any other reason, result in HMRC imposing a penalty, or which contain careless and/or deliberate misstatements or omissions
- 2 an investigation by the Fraud Investigation Service of HMRC
- 3 circumstances where the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Scheme Regulations apply or should apply to your financial arrangements
- 4 any enquiry that concerns assets, monies or wealth outside of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 5 **your** failure to register for VAT.

## **Property**

#### What is covered?

A dispute relating to material property which **you** own or is **your** responsibility

- a following an event which causes physical damage to **your** material property
- b following a public or private nuisance or trespass
- c which you wish to recover or repossess from an employee or ex-employee.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to:

- a contract between **you** and a third party except for a claim under Property c)
- 2 goods lent or hired out
- 3 compulsory purchase, demolition restrictions, controls or permissions placed on land or property by any government, local or public authority.

## **Legal Defence**

#### What is covered?

- a A criminal investigation and/or enquiry by:
  - i) the police
  - ii) other body with the power to prosecute
  - where it is suspected that an offence may have been committed that could lead to the insured being prosecuted.
- b The charge for an offence or alleged offence which leads to the **insured** being prosecuted in a court of criminal jurisdiction.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim relating to a parking offence.

### **Compliance & Regulation**

#### What is covered?

- a Receipt of a Statutory Notice that imposes terms against which **you** wish to appeal.
- b Notice of a formal investigation or disciplinary hearing by any professional or regulatory body.
- c A civil action alleging wrongful arrest arising from an allegation of theft.
- d A claim against you for compensation under the Data Protection Act 2018 provided that
  - you are registered with the Information Commissioner
  - ii) you are able to evidence that you have in place a process to
    - investigate complaints from data subjects regarding a breach of their privacy rights
    - offer suitable redress where a breach has occurred and that your complaints process has been fully engaged.
- e A civil action alleging that an insured has
  - i) committed an act of unlawful discrimination; or
  - ii) failed to correctly exercise their fiduciary duty as a trustee of a pension fund set up for the benefit of **your employees**.
- f Representing you
  - i) throughout a pre investigation assessment and statutory investigation by the investigations and enforcement unit of the Charity Commissioners of England & Wales
  - ii) to appeal to the First Tier and/or Upper Tier tribunal against a decision of the Charity Commission of England & Wales.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to:

- the pursuit of an action by **you** other than an appeal
- 2 a routine inspection by a regulatory authority
- 3 an enquiry, investigation or enforcement action by HMRC
- 4 a claim brought against your business where unlawful discrimination has been alleged.

## **Statutory Licence Appeals**

#### What is covered?

An appeal against a decision by the relevant authority to alter, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a licence or compulsory registration required to run **your business**.

## **Loss Of Earnings**

#### What is covered?

The **insured**'s absence from work to attend court, tribunal, arbitration, regulatory proceedings or a professional body's disciplinary hearing at the request of the **appointed advisor** or whilst on jury service which results in loss of earnings.

#### What is not covered?

Any sum which can be recovered from the court.

## **Personal Injury**

#### What is covered?

An event that causes bodily injury to, or the death of, an insured.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to a condition, illness or disease which develops gradually over time.

#### **Executive Suite**

#### What is covered?

This event applies only to the principal, executive officers, directors and partners of your business

- a An HMRC enquiry into the executive's personal tax affairs
- b A motoring prosecution that arises from driving for personal, social or domestic use, including commuting to or from **your business**
- c A claim that arises from personal identity theft provided that the person claiming has sought and followed advice from the Executive suite identity theft resolution helpline
- d A dispute that arises from the terms of **your business** partnership agreement that is to be referred to mediation
- Crisis communication as described below shall be available to the principal, executive officers, directors and partners of the business for matters occurring in their private and personal capacity that cause significant adverse publicity or reputational damage.

#### What is not covered?

- 1 Any claim arising from or relating to:
  - i) tax returns which are submitted late or for any other reason, result in HMRC imposing a penalty or which contain careless and/or deliberate misstatements or omissions
  - ii) an investigation by the Fraud Investigation Service of HMRC
  - iii) circumstances where the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Scheme Regulations apply or should apply to the executive's financial arrangements
  - iv) any enquiry that concerns assets, monies or wealth outside of the United Kingdom
  - v) a parking offence
  - vi) costs incurred in excess of £25,000 for a claim under Executive Suite d) and Executive Suite e).
- 2 Crisis communication for a matter that has not actually resulted in adverse publicity appearing online, in print or broadcast.

## **Contract & Debt Recovery**

#### What is covered?

A breach or alleged breach of an agreement or alleged agreement which has been entered into by you or on your behalf to buy, sell, hire, lease, goods or services or to rent **your business** premises, provided that if **you** are claiming for an undisputed debt **you** have exhausted **your** normal credit control procedures.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to:

- 1 an amount which is less than £200
- 2 disputes with a tenant or leasee where **you** are the landlord or lessor
- 3 the sale or purchase of land or buildings
- 4 loans, mortgages, endowments, pensions or any other financial product
- 5 computer hardware, software, internet services or systems which
  - a have been supplied by you or
  - b have been tailored to **your** requirements
- 6 a breach or alleged breach of a professional duty by an insured
- 7 the settlement payable under an insurance policy
- 8 a dispute relating to an **employee** or ex-**employee**
- 9 adjudication or arbitration.

#### **Crisis Communication**

#### What is covered?

Following an event which causes significant adverse publicity or reputational damage which is likely to have a widespread financial impact on **your business**, **we** will

- liaise with **you** and **your** solicitor (whether the solicitor is an **appointed advisor** under this policy, or acts on **your** behalf under any other policy), to draft a media statement or press release
- b prepare communication for **your** staff/customers/suppliers and/or a telephone or website script or social media messaging
- c arrange, support and represent an insured at an event which media will be reporting
- d support the insured by taking phone calls/emails and managing interaction with media outlets
- e support and prepare the insured for media interviews

provided that you have sought and followed advice from our Crisis Communication helpline.

#### What is not covered?

Any claim arising from or relating to:

- 1 matters that should be dealt with through your normal complaints procedures
- 2 a matter that has not actually resulted in adverse publicity appearing online, in print or broadcast
- 3 costs incurred in excess of £25,000.

## **Commercial Legal Protection Section - Defined terms**

Some of the words in this Section have a specific meaning and we have highlighted these to you by showing them in **bold** print.

#### **Appointed advisor**

The

- 1 solicitor, accountant or other advisor (who is not a mediator), appointed by us to act on behalf of the insured;
- 2 mediator appointed by us to provide impartial dispute resolution in relation to a claim accepted by us.

#### Collective conditional fee agreement

A legally enforceable agreement entered into on a common basis between the **appointed advisor** and **us** to pay their professional fees on the basis of either

- 1 100% "no-win no-fee" or
- 2 where discounted, that a discounted fee is payable.

#### **Conditional fee agreement**

A legally enforceable agreement between **you** and the **appointed advisor** for paying their professional fees on the basis of either

- 1 100% "no-win no-fee" or
- 2 where discounted, that a discounted fee is payable.

#### **Employee**

A worker who has or alleges they have entered into a contract of service with you.

#### Insured

- 1 You, your directors, partners, managers, officers and employees of your business.
- 2 A person declared to **us**, who is contracted to perform work for **you**, who in all other respects **you** have arranged to insure on the same basis as **your employees** and who performs work under **your** supervision.

#### Insurer

ARAG Allgemeine Versicherungs-AG Branch UK.

#### **Legal costs & expenses**

- 1 Reasonable legal costs and disbursements reasonably and proportionately incurred by the **appointed advisor** on the standard basis and agreed in advance by **us**. The term "standard basis" can be found within the Courts' Civil Procedure Rules Part 44.2.
- 2 In civil claims, other side's costs, fees and disbursements where the **insured** has been ordered to pay them or pays them with **our** agreement.
- 3 Reasonable accountancy fees reasonably incurred under Tax by the appointed advisor and agreed by us in advance.
- 4 Health and Safety Executive Fees for Intervention.
- Your employee's basic wages or salary under Loss of Earnings in the course of their employment with you while attending court or tribunal at the request of the appointed advisor or whilst on jury service where lost wages or salary cannot be claimed back from the court or tribunal.
- The reasonable cost of phone calls, postage (including special delivery), image scanning, photocopying or credit reports incurred under **Executive Suite c** where the **insured** has taken advice from **our** Identity Theft Advice and Resolution Service.
- The professional fees and expenses of an **appointed advisor** selected by **us** to reduce the actual adverse or negative publicity or media attention directed under **Executive Suite e** and **Crisis Communication**.

#### Reasonable prospects of success

- Other than as set out in 2) and 3) below, a greater than 50% chance of the **insured** successfully pursuing or defending the claim and, if the **insured** is seeking damages or compensation, a greater than 50% chance of enforcing any judgment that might be obtained. Under **Contract & Debt recovery**, there must be a greater than 50% chance of successfully defending the claim in its entirety.
- 2 In criminal prosecution claims where the **insured** 
  - a pleads guilty, a greater than 50% chance of reducing any sentence or fine or
  - b pleads not guilty, a greater than 50% chance of that plea being accepted by the court.
- 3 In all claims involving an appeal, a greater than 50% chance of the insured being successful.

Where it has been determined that **reasonable prospects of success** do not exist, the **insured** shall be liable to pay any legal costs incurred should they pursue or defend their claim irrespective of the outcome.

#### **Territorial limits**

- For Legal Defence and Contract & Debt Recovery, the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Norway, Switzerland and countries in the European Union.
- 2 For all other covers, the United Kingdom, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

#### We/us/our

ARAG plc who is authorised under a binding authority agreement to administer this insurance on behalf of the insurer.

#### You/your

The individual, partnership or corporate body named in the schedule, including any subsidiary and/or associated companies.

## Commercial Legal Protection Section - Special or unusual conditions and terms of this policy

Where the **insurer's** risk is affected by the **insured's** failure to keep to these conditions the **insurer** can refuse a claim or withdraw from an ongoing claim. The **insurer** also reserves the right to claim back **legal costs & expenses** from the **insured** if this happens.

#### The insured's Responsibilities

#### An insured must:

- a tell **us** immediately of anything that may make it more costly or difficult for the **appointed advisor** to resolve the claim in the **insured**'s favour
- b cooperate fully with **us**, give the **appointed advisor** any instructions **we** require, and keep them updated with progress of the claim and not hinder them
- c take reasonable steps to claim back legal costs & expenses and, where recovered, pay them to the insurer
- d allow the insurer at any time to take over and conduct in the insured's name, any claim.

#### Freedom to Choose an appointed advisor

- a In certain circumstances as set out in b) below the **insured** may choose an **appointed advisor**. In all other cases no such right exists and **we** shall choose the **appointed advisor**.
- b If
  - i) a suitably qualified advisor considers that it has become necessary to issue proceedings or proceedings are issued against an **insured**, or
  - ii) there is a conflict of interest

- the **insured** may choose a qualified **appointed advisor** except, where the **insured's** claim is to be dealt with by the Employment Tribunal, **we** shall always choose the **appointed advisor**.
- c Where the **insured** wishes to exercise the right to choose, the **insured** must write to **us** with their preferred representative's contact details.
- d Where the **insured** chooses to use their preferred representative, the **insurer** will not pay more than **we** agree to pay a solicitor from **our** panel and will pay only the costs that the **insurer** would have been liable to pay. (**Our** panel solicitor firms are chosen with care and **we** agree special terms with them including rates which may be lower than those available from other firms).
- e If the **insured** dismisses the **appointed advisor** without good reason, or withdraws from the claim without **our** written agreement, or if the **appointed advisor** refuses with good reason to continue acting for an **insured**, the **insurer's** liability in respect of that claim will end immediately.
- In respect of pursuing a claim under **Contract & Debt Recovery you** must enter into a **conditional fee agreement** (unless the **appointed advisor** has entered into a **collective conditional fee agreement**) where legally permitted.

#### Consent

- The **insured** must agree to **us** having sight of the **appointed advisor**'s file relating to the **insured**'s claim. The **insured** is considered to have provided consent to **us** or **our** appointed agent to have sight of their file for auditing and quality and cost control purposes.
- b An **insured** must have **your** agreement to claim under this policy.

#### Settlement

- a The insurer can settle the claim by paying the reasonable value of the insured's claim.
- b The **insured** must not negotiate, settle the claim or agree to pay **legal costs & expenses** without **our** written agreement.
- c If the **insured** refuses to settle the claim following advice to do so from the **appointed advisor** the **insurer** reserves the right to refuse to pay further costs.

#### **Barrister's Opinion**

We may require the **insured** to obtain and pay for an opinion from a barrister if a dispute arises regarding the merits or value of the claim. If the opinion supports the **insured**, then the **insurer** will reimburse the reasonable costs of that opinion. If that opinion conflicts with advice obtained by **us**, then the **insurer** will pay for a final opinion which shall be binding on the **insured** and **us**. This does not affect the **insured's** right under the Arbitration below.

#### **Arbitration**

If any dispute between the **insured** and **us** arises from this policy, the **insured** can make a complaint to **us** and **we** will try to resolve the matter. If **we** are unable to satisfy the **insured's** concerns and the matter can be dealt with by the Financial Ombudsman Service the **insured** can ask them to arbitrate over the complaint.

If the dispute cannot be dealt with by the Financial Ombudsman Service, it can be referred for independent arbitration to a qualified person agreed upon by both parties. The loser of the dispute shall be liable to pay the costs incurred.

If **we** and the **insured** fail to agree on a suitable person to arbitrate the matter **we** will ask the President of the relevant Law Society to nominate. The arbitration shall be subject to the Arbitration Acts and the arbitrator's decision shall be binding on the parties.

#### **Other Insurance**

The **insurer** will not pay more than their fair share (rateable proportion) for any claim covered by another policy, or any claim that would have been covered by any other policy if this policy did not exist.

#### **Fraudulent Claims and Claims Tainted By Dishonesty**

a If the **insured** makes any claim which is fraudulent or false, the policy shall become void and all benefit under it will be lost.

- b An **insured** shall at all times be entirely truthful and open in any evidence, disclosure or statement they give and shall act with complete honesty and integrity throughout. Where, on the balance of probabilities and having considered carefully all the facts of the claim, it appears that the insured has breached this condition and that the breach has:
  - i) affected our assessment of reasonable prospects of success, and/or
  - ii) prejudiced in any part the outcome of the **insured's** claim

the insurer shall have no liability for legal costs & expenses incurred from the date of the insured's breach.

#### Acts of Parliament, Statutory Instruments, Civil Procedure Rules & Jurisdiction

All legal instruments, bodies and rules referred to within this policy shall include the equivalent in Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands and any subsequent amendment or replacement. This policy will be governed by English law.

# <u>Commercial Legal Protection Section - What is not covered by this Section of the policy?</u>

The **insured** is not covered for any claim arising from or relating to:

- 1 costs or compensation awards incurred without **Our** consent
- any actual or alleged act, omission or dispute happening before, or existing at the start of the insurance provided by this policy, and which the **insured** knew or ought reasonably to have known could lead to a claim
- 3 an allegation against the insured involving:
  - a assault, violence, malicious falsehood or defamation
  - b indecent or obscene materials
  - the use of alcohol or its unauthorised or unregulated manufacture, unlicensed dealing in alcohol or dealing in or using illegal drugs
  - d illegal immigration
  - e money laundering or bribery offences, breaches of international sanctions, fraud, or any other financial crime activities

except in relation to Crisis Communication

- defending a claim in respect of damages for personal injury (other than injury to feelings in relation to **Employment**), or loss or damage to property owned by the **insured**
- 5 National Minimum Wage and/or National Living Wage Regulations
- 6 patents, copyright, passing-off, trade or service marks, registered designs and confidential information
- a dispute with any subsidiary, parent, associated or sister company or between shareholders or partners (except in relation to mediation under **Executive Suite d**)
- 8 a) a franchise agreement
  - b) an agency agreement through which one party has the legal capacity to alter the legal relations of the other
- 9 a judicial review
- 10 a dispute with **us**, the **insurer** or the party who arranged this cover not dealt with under the **Arbitration** condition.
- The payment of fines, penalties or compensation awarded against the **insured** (except as covered under **Employment Compensation Awards**); or costs awarded against the **insured** by a court of criminal jurisdiction.

## **Privacy Statement**

This is a summary of how ARAG collect, use, share and store personal information. To view ARAG's full privacy statement, please see ARAG's website www.arag.co.uk

#### **Collecting Personal Information**

ARAG may be required to collect certain personal or sensitive information which may include name, address, date of birth and if appropriate medical information. ARAG will hold and process this information in accordance with all relevant data protection regulations and legislation. Should ARAG ask for personal or sensitive information, ARAG undertake that it shall only be used in accordance with ARAG's privacy statement.

ARAG may also collect information for other parties such as suppliers ARAG appoint to process the handling of a claim.

#### **Using Personal or Sensitive Information**

The reason ARAG collect personal or sensitive information is to fulfil their contractual and regulatory obligations in providing this insurance product, for example to process premium or handle a claim. To fulfil these obligations, ARAG may need to share personal or sensitive information with other organisations.

ARAG will not disclose personal or sensitive information for any purpose other than the purpose for which it was collected. Please refer to ARAG's full privacy statement for full details.

#### **Keeping Personal Information**

ARAG shall not keep personal information for any longer than necessary.

#### **Your Rights**

Any person insured by this policy has a number of rights in relation to how ARAG hold personal data including; the right to a copy of the personal data ARAG hold; the right to object to the use of personal data or the withdrawal of previously given consent; the right to have personal data deleted.

## **How to Make a Complaint**

ARAG is committed to providing a first class service at all times. However, if a complaint arises, this should be addressed to our Customer Relations Department who will arrange to have it reviewed at the appropriate level. We can be reached in the following ways:

ARAG plc 9 Whiteladies Road Clifton Bristol, BS8 1NN

Telephone: 0117 917 1561

Email: customerrelations@arag.co.uk

If we are not able to resolve the complaint to your satisfaction then you can refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) provided that it falls within their jurisdiction. The FOS can normally deal with complaints from small businesses with an annual turnover of less than €2 million and fewer than ten employees. They can be contacted at:

Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower London, E14 9SR.

Telephone: 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9123

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

The FOS is an independent service in the UK for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services. you can find out more information on the Financial Ombudsman Service at www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk The FOS's decision is binding upon the insurer, but you are free to reject it without affecting your legal rights.