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SINGLE TRIP TRAVEL INSURANCE POLICY

DEMANDS AND NEEDS

This travel insurance policy will suit the demands and needs of an individual, or group (where applicable) who have no excluded medical conditions, are travelling to countries included within the policy terms and who wish to insure themselves against the unforeseen circumstances/events detailed within this insurance policy. Subject to terms and conditions and maximum specified sums insured.

Important

This insurance policy will have been sold to **you** on a non-advised basis and it is important that **you** read this insurance policy (paying particular attention to the terms, conditions and exclusions) and ensure that it meets all of **your** requirements. If upon reading this policy **you** find it does not meet all of **your** requirements, please refer to the Statutory cancellation rights section on page 1.

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Your policy

In return for having accepted **your** premium **we** will in the event of **bodily injury**, death, illness, disease, loss, theft, damage, destruction, legal liability or other specified events happening within the **period of insurance** provide insurance in accordance with the operative sections of **your** policy. The travel company booking confirmation and any endorsement are all part of the policy. **Your** policy is evidence of the contract of insurance.

HEALTH CONDITIONS

You must be able to comply with the following conditions to have the full protection of **your** policy.

If **you** do not comply **we** may refuse to deal with any relevant claim or reduce the amount of any relevant claim payment.

1. **You** are not travelling,
 - a) against the advice of a **medical practitioner**
 - b) for the purpose of obtaining medical treatment
 - c) against any health requirements stipulated by the carrier, their handling agents or any other public transport provider.
2. All medical and repatriation costs must be specifically authorised by **us**, Towergate Assistance or their appointed agents. Failure to obtain prior authorisation from **us** or Towergate Assistance could prejudice **your** claim.
3. **You** must assist **us** and **our** agents in any way to minimise any claim made.
4. If **you** are a **United Kingdom** resident and **you** are travelling to countries within the EU, EEA, or to Switzerland, **you** must obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before leaving the **United Kingdom**. Please refer to page 2 in **your** policy on how to obtain an EHIC. This requirement to obtain an EHIC, does not however apply to Channel Islands and Isle of Man residents.

WHAT TO DO IN THE CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY

IN THE EVENT OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY ALERT **YOUR** GROUP DOCTOR OR GROUP NURSE. IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SENIOR AMBULANCE DRIVER THEY WILL DECIDE WHETHER IT IS NECESSARY TO CONTACT TOWERGATE ASSISTANCE. THEY ARE AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, 365 DAYS A YEAR.

SIGNIFICANT OR UNUSUAL LIMITATIONS OR WHAT IS NOT COVERED

1. The cover under this policy is available to **United Kingdom residents** for travel to and from the **United Kingdom** and repatriation will be to the **United Kingdom** only. Cover is also available to Channel Islands residents for travel to and from the Channel Islands and repatriation will be to the Channel Islands only. In addition cover is also available to Isle of Man residents for travel to and from the Isle of Man and repatriation will be to the Isle of Man only.
2. Cover is only available for the whole duration of a booked **trip** to a maximum 10 consecutive days, and cover cannot be purchased once a **trip** has already begun.
3. The excess amount deductible from a claim applies to each and every claim, per incident claimed for, under certain sections by each **insured person**.
4. If **your money, valuables**, any items of **baggage**, **your** passport or visa are lost or stolen, **you** must notify the local Police within 24 hours of discovery or as soon as possible thereafter. Please make sure **you** get a copy of the Police report. Failure to comply may result in **your** claim being rejected or the amount of any relevant claim reduced.
5. **You** are not covered for **valuables**, **your** passport or visa if left **unattended** at any time (including in a vehicle, in checked in luggage or while in the custody of a carrier, tour operator or **public transport** operator) unless deposited in a hotel safe, safety deposit box or left in **your** locked accommodation.
6. **Stolen property**: **You** are not covered for **baggage** stolen from:
 - a) an unattended coach/bus unless it was locked in the luggage compartment of the coach/bus and evidence of force or violent entry to the vehicle is available, or
 - b) the passenger compartment of any unattended vehicle.

STATUTORY CANCELLATION RIGHTS

You may cancel this policy within 14 days of receipt of the policy documents or before departure, whichever is less (the **cancellation period**), by writing to the issuer of this policy during the **cancellation period**. Any premium already paid will be refunded to **you** providing **you** have not travelled, no claim has been made or is intended to be made and no incident likely to give rise to a claim has occurred.

Cancellation outside the statutory period

You may cancel this policy at any time after the **cancellation period** by writing to the issuer of this policy. If **you** cancel after the **cancellation period** no premium refund will be made.

Non payment of premiums

We reserve the right to cancel this policy immediately in the event of non payment of the premium.

DEFINITIONS

These definitions apply throughout **your** policy wording. Where the following words and phrases appear in this policy they will appear in bold and will always have these meanings. **We** have listed the definitions alphabetically.

Baggage **Your** suitcases (or similar luggage carriers) and their contents usually taken on a **trip**, together with the articles purchased, worn or carried by **you** for individual use during **your trip** (including golf equipment), but excluding **valuables** and **money**.

Bodily injury An identifiable injury caused solely and directly by sudden, unexpected, external and visible means including injury as a result of unavoidable exposure to the elements.

Close business associate Any person whose absence from business for one or more complete days at the same time as **your** absence prevents the effective continuation of that business.

Close relative Mother, father, sister, brother, wife, husband, fiancé(e), common-law spouse (including their immediate relatives), partner, daughter, son, grandparent, grandchild, parent-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, step-parent, step-child, step-brother or step-sister, foster child and legal guardian.

Curtail/Curtailment Either:

- you** abandoning or cutting short the **trip** after **you** leave **your home** by direct early return to **your home**, in which case claims will be calculated from the day **you** returned to **your home** and based on the number of complete days of **your trip** **you** have not used, or
- you** attending a hospital as an in-patient or being confined to **your** accommodation within or outside the **United Kingdom** or the Isle of Man, or the particular island on which **you** live in the Channel Islands depending where **your home** is during a **trip** due to compulsory quarantine or on the orders of a **medical practitioner**, in either case for a period in excess of 48 hours. Claims will be calculated from the day **you** were admitted to hospital or confined to **your** accommodation and based on the number of complete days for which **you** were hospitalised, quarantined or confined to **your** accommodation. Curtailment claims under paragraph b) will only be paid for the ill/injured/quarantined/ confined **insured person**, but where **we** or Towergate Assistance agree for another **insured person** (including any children travelling with them) to stay with **you**, **we** will also pay for that **insured person's** proportion only of any travel and accommodation costs and expenses they have incurred, but not used by remaining with **you**.

Home **Your** residential address in the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

Medical practitioner A registered practising member of the medical profession who is not related to **you** or any person with whom **you** are travelling.

Money Cash, bank or currency notes and coins in current use, cheques, postal and money orders, travel tickets, pre-paid coupons or vouchers, event and entertainment tickets and lift passes (in respect of winter sports **trips** where the appropriate premium has been paid) held by **you** for social, domestic and pleasure purposes.

Period of insurance From the date of departure to the date of return as shown on the travel company booking confirmation other than for cancellation which applies from the date of booking and terminates on the date of departure as shown on the booking confirmation. The period of insurance is automatically extended free of charge for the period of the delay in the event that **you** return to the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man, or the particular island on which **you** live in the Channel Islands is unavoidably delayed due to an event insured by this policy.

Public transport Any publicly licensed aircraft, sea vessel, train, coach, taxi, bus or tram on which **you** are booked or had planned to travel.

Redundancy Any person being declared redundant who has been employed for 2 continuous years with the same employer at the time of being made redundant.

Ski equipment Skis, ski boots, ski poles and snowboards.

Terrorism An act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or governments, 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.

Trip(s) Any holiday, business or pleasure **trip** or journey made by **you** which begins and ends in the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands during the **period of insurance** but excluding one way **trips** or journeys.

Unattended When **you** are not in full view of and not in a position to prevent unauthorised interference with **your** property or vehicle.

United Kingdom England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Isles of Scilly.

United Kingdom residents Any person who is staying in or has lived in the **United Kingdom** for more than 12 months, or if studying or working in the **United Kingdom** for more than 6 months.

Valuables Jewellery, gold, silver, precious metal or precious or semiprecious stone articles, watches, furs, cameras, camcorders, portable satellite navigation systems, photographic, audio, video, computer, television and telecommunications equipment and other electronic entertainment devices (including but not limited to mobile phones, MP3 or 4 players, tablets, ebooks, CD's, DVD's, tapes, films, cassettes, cartridges and headphones) computer games and associated equipment, telescopes and binoculars.

We/Our/Us/Ourself – ETI-International Travel Protection, the United Kingdom branch of Europäische Reiseversicherung (ERV) (in the Legal costs and expenses section **we, our, us** refers to DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited).

You/Your/Yourself/Insured person – Any person named on the travel company booking confirmation who is eligible to be insured and for whom a premium has been paid.

GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS

Area A - **United Kingdom** (please see definition above).

Area B - Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

Area C - Europe includes Republic of Ireland, Commonwealth of Independent States (west of the Ural Mountains), islands in the Mediterranean, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Turkey, the Canary Islands, Madeira, Iceland and the Azores.

EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD (EHIC)

If **you** are a **United Kingdom resident** and are travelling within the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland **you** should obtain a free European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). **You** can apply either online at www.ehic.org.uk or by telephoning 0300 330 1350.

This will entitle **you** to get **free or reduced cost** medical treatment in state medical centres and hospitals. **You** are therefore advised to make use of these rather than private facilities.

SECTION 1 – CANCELLATION

What is covered

We will pay **you** up to £1,500 for **trips** to the **United Kingdom**, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and Europe for the unused proportion of any travel and accommodation costs or prepaid non-refundable expenses which **you** have paid or legally have to pay if cancellation of the **trip** is necessary and unavoidable as a result of any of the following events:

- The death, **bodily injury**, illness, disease, or complications arising as a direct result of pregnancy of:
 - you**
 - any person who **you** are travelling or have arranged to travel with
 - any person who **you** have arranged to stay with
 - your close relative**
 - your close business associate**.

- You** or any person who **you** are travelling or have arranged to travel with being quarantined, called as a witness at a Court of Law or for jury service attendance.
- Redundancy of you** or any person who **you** are travelling or have arranged to travel with which qualifies for payment under current **United Kingdom**, Channel Islands or Isle of Man redundancy payment legislation where applicable, and at the time of booking the **trip** there was no reason to believe anyone would be made redundant.
- You** or any person who **you** are travelling or have arranged to travel with, are a member of the Armed Forces, Territorial Army, Police, Fire, Nursing or Ambulance Services or employees of a Government Department and have **your**/their authorised leave cancelled or are called up for operational reasons, provided that the cancellation could not reasonably have been expected at the time when **you** purchased this insurance or at the time of booking any **trip**.
- The Police or other authorities requesting **you** to stay at **your home** due to serious damage to **your** home caused by fire, aircraft, explosion, storm, flood, subsidence, fallen trees, collision by road vehicles, malicious people or theft.

Special conditions relating to claims

- If **you** fail to notify the travel agent, tour operator or provider of accommodation and/or transport as soon as **you** find it necessary to cancel the **trip**, **our** liability will be restricted to the cancellation charges that would have applied if a delay had not occurred.

What is not covered

- The first £30 of each and every claim, per incident claimed for, under this section by each **insured person**.
- Any claims on medical grounds where **you** fail to provide a medical certificate or other suitable evidence from a **medical practitioner** of the need to cancel the **trip**.
- Anything arising directly or indirectly from:
 - your** reluctance to travel or financial reasons other than involuntary **redundancy**.
 - circumstances known to **you** before **you** booked **your trip** or purchased this insurance which could reasonably have been expected to lead to cancellation of the **trip**.
 - bankruptcy or liquidation of any travel agent, tour operator, **public transport** provider or transportation company.
 - the tour operator or anyone **you** have made travel or accommodation arrangements with failing to provide such arrangements.
 - being called as an expert witness or where normal employment would require **your** attendance at a court of law.
 - your** failure to obtain the required passport or visa.
 - regulations set by the government of any country.
- Any claims for costs related to pregnancy or childbirth unless the claim is certified by a **medical practitioner** as necessary due to complications of pregnancy and childbirth.
- Anything mentioned in the General exclusions on page 4. **You** should also refer to the Health conditions on page 1.

SECTION 2 – MEDICAL AND OTHER EXPENSES

What is covered

This section includes assistance by Towergate Assistance who must be contacted as soon as possible in the event of death, **bodily injury**, illness, disease or if hospitalisation and/or compulsory quarantine occurs or if repatriation, abandonment of the **trip** or **curtailment** has to be considered.

We will pay **you** up to £10,000 for the following expenses which are necessarily incurred within 12 months of the incident, if during **your trip** **you** suffer unforeseen **bodily injury**, illness, disease and/or compulsory quarantine, or as a result of any of the other events occurring as shown below: -

- Outside the **United Kingdom** or the Isle of Man, or the particular island on which **you** live in the Channel Islands depending where **your home** is for emergency medical and surgical treatment and hospital and nursing home charges. Claims for emergency dental treatment (for pain relief only) are limited to £350.
- For necessary additional accommodation and travelling/repatriation expenses (economy class) if **you** are hospitalised as an in-patient during the **trip**, or if it is medically necessary for **you** to stay beyond **your** scheduled return date. This includes with the prior authorisation of Towergate Assistance reasonable additional accommodation and travelling/repatriation expenses (economy class) for one relative or friend to stay with **you** or travel to **you** from their home in the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands if **you** have to be accompanied on medical advice (limited to £1,500 in all for **trips** solely within the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands or if **you** are a child and require an escort home).
- In the event of death:
 - for conveyance of the body or ashes to **your home**.
 - local funeral expenses abroad limited to £1,500.
- The cost of taxi fares and telephone calls necessarily incurred up to a maximum of £100.
- The value of the portion of **your** travel and/or accommodation costs up to £1,500, which have not been used and which were paid for before **your trip** commenced (including ski hire, ski school and lift passes, which do not have to be paid for before **your trip** commenced, in respect of winter sports **trips** where the appropriate premium has been paid) if **you** have to **curtail your trip**.
- For reasonable additional travelling expenses if **you** have to return to **your** home earlier than planned due to:
 - death, **bodily injury**, illness or disease of a **close relative** or a **close business associate** resident in the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, or
 - the Police or other authorities asking **you** to return to **your** home due to serious damage to **your home** caused by fire, aircraft, explosion, storm, flood, subsidence, fallen trees, collision by road vehicles, malicious people or theft.

For **trips** solely within the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands additional travelling expenses are limited to £300 per **insured person**.

Special conditions relating to claims

- All receipts must be retained and produced in the event of a claim. **Your** claim may be rejected or the amount of any relevant claim reduced if receipts are not produced.
- If **you** suffer **bodily injury**, illness or disease **we** reserve the right to move **you** from one hospital to another and/or arrange for **your** repatriation to **your home** at any time during the **trip**. **We** will do this, if in the opinion of Towergate Assistance or **us** (based on information provided by the **medical practitioner** in attendance), **you** can be moved safely and/or travel safely to **your home** or a suitable hospital nearby to continue treatment.
- The intention of this section is to pay for emergency medical/surgical/dental treatment only and not for treatment or surgery that can be reasonably delayed until **your** return home. **Our** decisions regarding the treatment or surgery that **we** will pay for (including repatriation to **your home**) will be based on this.

If **you** do not accept our decisions and do not want to be repatriated, then **we** will cancel **your** cover under the medical related sections being Section 1 - Cancellation, Section 2 – Medical and other expenses and Section 3 – Hospital benefit of **your** policy and refuse to deal with claims from **you** for any further treatment and/or **your** repatriation to **your home**.

Cover for **you** under all other sections will however continue for the remainder of the **trip**.

What is not covered

- The first £100 for medical expenses and £30 for **curtailment** and associated repatriation expenses of each and every claim, per incident claimed for, under this section by each **insured person**.

- Any sums which can be recovered by **you** and which are covered under any National Insurance Scheme or Reciprocal Health Arrangement.
- Any claims that are not confirmed as medically necessary by the attending **medical practitioner** or Towergate Assistance and any additional travelling expenses not authorised by **us** or Towergate Assistance if **you** have to return **home** earlier than planned or be repatriated, or if abandonment of the **trip** or **curtailment** has to be considered.
- Any claims arising directly or indirectly for:
 - any form of treatment or surgery which in the opinion of Towergate Assistance or **us** (based on information provided by the attending **medical practitioner**), can be reasonably delayed until **you** return to the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands
 - any expenses which are not usual, reasonable or customary to treat **your bodily injury**, illness or disease.
 - any expenses incurred in obtaining or replacing medication and/or treatment which at the time of departure is known to be required or to be continued outside the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the particular island on which **you** live in the Channel Islands any additional hospital costs arising from single or private room accommodation unless confirmed as medically necessary by Towergate Assistance, based on information provided by the attending **medical practitioner**.
 - any treatment or services provided by a health spa, convalescent or nursing home or any rehabilitation centre unless agreed by Towergate Assistance.
 - the costs of any non-emergency treatment or surgery, including exploratory tests, which are not directly related to the **bodily injury**, illness or disease which necessitated **your** admittance into hospital.
- Any claims for costs related to pregnancy or childbirth unless the claim is certified by a **medical practitioner** as necessary due to complications of pregnancy and childbirth.
- Expenses incurred as a result of a tropical disease where **you** have not had the NHS recommended inoculations and/or not taken the NHS recommended medication prior to travel, including medication to prevent malaria.
- Anything mentioned in the General exclusions shown on page 4. **You** should also refer to the Health conditions on page 1.

SECTION 3 – HOSPITAL BENEFIT

What is covered

We will pay **you** the following amounts if **you** have to stay in hospital as an in-patient or are confined to **your** accommodation due to **your** compulsory quarantine, or on the orders of a **medical practitioner** (or the ship's doctor in the case of a cruise) as a result of **bodily injury**, illness or disease **you** sustain:

- £15 for every complete 24 hours up to a maximum of £450 for **trips** outside the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, or
- £10 for every complete 24 hours up to a maximum of £200 for **trips** solely within the **United Kingdom**, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands,

We will pay these amounts in addition to any medical expenses, additional accommodation, travelling or repatriation expenses incurred under Section 2 – Medical and other expenses, provided **we** pay a claim under that section. This payment is meant to help **you** pay for additional expenses such as taxi fares and phone calls incurred by **your** visitors during **your** stay in hospital.

Special conditions relating to claims

- You** must tell Towergate Assistance as soon as possible of any **bodily injury**, illness or disease which necessitates **your** admittance to hospital as an in-patient, compulsory quarantine or confinement to **your** accommodation on the orders of a **medical practitioner**.
- Documentation must be submitted to confirm the date and time of admission and discharge.

What is not covered

- Hospitalisation, compulsory quarantine or confinement to **your** accommodation as a result of a tropical disease where **you** have not had the NHS recommended inoculations and/or not taken the NHS recommended medication prior to travel, including medication to prevent malaria.
- Anything mentioned in the General exclusions shown on page 4.

SECTION 4 – PERSONAL PROPERTY

What is covered

Subsection A - Baggage

- We** will pay **you** up to £400 for the accidental loss of, theft of, damage to or destruction of baggage and valuables. The amount payable in the event of a total loss, will be the value at today's prices less a deduction for wear, tear and depreciation (loss of value), or **we** may replace, reinstate or repair the lost or damaged **baggage** and/or **valuables**.

The maximum **we** will pay **you** for the following items is:

- £200 for any one article, pair or set of articles (limited to £100 for spectacles and/or prescription sunglasses).
- £200 in total for all **valuables**.

In the event of a claim in respect of a pair or set of articles **we** shall be liable only for the value of that part of the pair or set which is lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

Subsection B – Delayed baggage

- We** will also pay **you** up to £100, for the emergency replacement of clothing, medication and toiletries if **your baggage** is temporarily lost in transit during the outward journey and not returned to **you** within 12 hours, as long as **we** receive written confirmation from the carrier or tour representative, confirming the number of hours the **baggage** was delayed.

Any amount **we** pay **you** under this subsection will be deducted from **your baggage** claim under Subsection A – **Baggage** if **your baggage** proves to be permanently lost.

Subsection C – Personal money

- We** will pay **you** up to £100 if **your** own personal **money** is lost or stolen whilst being carried on **your** person or left in a locked hotel safe or safety deposit box. If **you** are aged under 16 at the time of the incident, the maximum **we** can pay **you** is £50.

Special conditions relating to claims

- You** must exercise reasonable care for the safety and supervision of **your** property.
- You** must get a written report from the local Police in the country where the incident occurred within 24 hours or as soon as possible thereafter of the discovery in the event of loss, theft or attempted theft of all **baggage**, **valuables** or personal **money**. Failure to comply may result in **your** claim being rejected or the amount of any relevant claim reduced.
- You** must get a written carriers report if **your baggage** is lost, damaged or destroyed in transit (or a Property Irregularity Report (PIR) in the case of an airline).
- You** must provide suitable evidence of purchase/ownership and value of all items lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

What is not covered

- The first £30 of each and every claim, per incident claimed for, under this section by each **insured person** (not applicable to Subsection B – Delayed baggage).
- Loss, theft of, damage or destruction:
 - due to delay, confiscation or detention by customs or other officials or authorities.
 - of contact lenses, dentures, hearing aids, samples or merchandise, bonds, coupons, securities, stamps or documents of any kind (other than as defined in the personal **money** definition), vehicles or accessories (other than wheelchairs and pushchairs only), tents, antiques, musical instruments, pictures, sports gear whilst in use (other than ski equipment in respect of winter

sports **trips** where the appropriate premium has been paid), pedal cycles, dinghies, boats and/or ancillary equipment.

- caused by wear and tear, depreciation (loss in value), atmospheric or climatic conditions, moth, vermin, any process of cleaning or restoring, mechanical or electrical breakdown.
 - of **valuables** left **unattended** at any time (including in a vehicle, in checked in luggage or while in the custody of a carrier, tour operator or **public transport** operator) unless deposited in a hotel safe, safety deposit box or left in **your** locked accommodation.
- Loss, damage or destruction due to cracking, scratching breakage of or damage to china, glass (other than glass in watch faces, cameras, binoculars or telescopes), porcelain or other brittle or fragile articles being transported by a carrier, unless the breakage is due to fire, theft or an accident to the vessel, aircraft, sea vessel, train or vehicle in which they are being carried.
 - Baggage** stolen from:
 - an unattended coach/bus unless it was in the locked luggage compartment of the coach/bus and evidence of force and violent entry to the vehicle is available.
 - the passenger compartment of any unattended vehicle.
 - Any shortages due to error, omission or depreciation in value.
 - Any property more specifically covered under any other insurance.
 - Anything mentioned in the General exclusions shown on page 4.

SECTION 5 – LOSS OF PASSPORT OR VISA EXPENSES

What is covered

We will pay **you** up to £200 for unavoidable additional travel or accommodation expenses **you** incur abroad in obtaining a new passport or visa, if **your** passport or visa is lost or stolen.

Special conditions relating to claims

- You** must exercise reasonable care for the safety and supervision of **your** passport and visa.
- You** must get a written report from the consulate and local Police in the country where the incident occurred within 24 hours or as soon as possible thereafter of the discovery in the event of loss or theft of **your** passport or visa. Failure to comply may result in **your** claim being rejected or the amount of any relevant claim reduced.

What is not covered

- Loss, destruction or damage:
 - due to confiscation or detention by customs or other officials or authorities.
 - to **your** passport or visa if left **unattended** at any time (including in a vehicle, in checked in luggage or while in the custody of a carrier, tour operator or **public transport** operator) unless deposited in a hotel safe, safety deposit box or left in **your** locked accommodation.
- Anything mentioned in the General exclusions shown on page 4.

SECTION 6 – PERSONAL LIABILITY

What is covered

We will pay **you** up to £2,000,000 (including legal costs and expenses) against any amount **you** become legally liable to pay as compensation for any claim or series of claims arising from any one event or source of original cause that happened during the **trip** leading to claims made against **you** for accidental:

- Bodily injury**, death, illness or disease to any person who is not a member of **your** family or household or employed by **you**.
- Loss of or damage to any property which does not belong to, is not in the charge of and is not in the control of **you**, any member of **your** family or household or anyone employed by **you**.
- Damage to **your** temporary holiday accommodation that does not belong to **you** or any member of **your** family or household or an employee.

Special conditions relating to claims

- You** must give **us** written notice of any incident, which may result in a claim as soon as possible.
- You** must send us every court claim form, letter of claim or other document as soon as **you** receive it.
- You** must not admit any liability or pay, offer to pay, promise to pay or negotiate any claim without our permission in writing.
- We** will be entitled to take over and carry out in **your** name the defence of any claims for compensation or damages or otherwise against any third party. **We** will have full discretion in the conduct of any negotiation or proceedings or in the settlement of any claim and **you** will give us all necessary information and assistance which **we** may require.
- If **you** die, **your** legal representative(s) will have the protection of this cover as long as they comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this policy.

What is not covered

- Fines imposed by a Court of Law or other relevant bodies.
- Anything caused directly or indirectly by:
 - liability which **you** are responsible for because of an agreement (such as a hire agreement) that was made.
 - injury, loss or damage arising from:
 - ownership or use of aircraft, horse-drawn or mechanical/motorised vehicles (other than electric wheelchairs), vessels (other than rowing boats, punts or canoes), animals (other than horses, domestic dogs or cats), or firearms (other than guns being used for sport).
 - the occupation (except temporarily for the purposes of the **trip**) or ownership of any land or buildings.
 - the carrying out of any trade or profession.
 - racing of any kind.
 - any deliberate act.
- Anything mentioned in the General exclusions shown on page 4.

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

You are not covered for anything caused directly or indirectly by:

1. **Your** suicide, deliberately injuring **yourself**, being under the influence of drink or drugs (unless prescribed by a doctor), alcoholism, drug abuse and/or addiction, solvent abuse and putting yourself at needless risk (unless **you** are trying to save someone's life).
2. **Your** travel against any health requirements stipulated by the carrier, their handling agents or any other **public transport** provider.
3. **You** participating in professional or organised sports, winter sports (unless the appropriate premium has been paid), racing, speed or endurance tests or dangerous pursuits.
4. Air travel other than as a fare-paying passenger on a regular scheduled airline or licensed charter aircraft.
5. Bankruptcy/liquidation of any tour operator, travel agent, **public transport** provider or transportation company.
6. Unless **we** provide cover under this insurance, any other loss, damage or additional expense following on from the event for which **you** are claiming. Examples of such loss, damage or additional expense would be the cost of replacing locks after losing keys, costs incurred in preparing a claim or loss of earnings following **bodily injury**, illness or disease.
7. War, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, **terrorism**, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion and/or civil unrest assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power.
8. Loss or damage to any property and expense or legal liability caused by or contributed to or arising from:
 - a) ionising radiations or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or nuclear waste which results in burning nuclear fuel.
 - b) the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of nuclear machinery or any part of it.
 - c) pressure waves from aircraft and other flying objects travelling faster than the speed of sound.
9. **You** travelling on motorcycles up to 125cc but not wearing a crash helmet (whether legally required locally or not) and travelling on any quad bike, all-terrain vehicle or motorcycle over 125cc.
10. **You** mountaineering or rock climbing using picks, ropes or guides or pot-holing.
11. **Your** manual work or hazardous occupation of any kind.
12. **You** taking part in dangerous expeditions or the crewing of a vessel outside European waters.
13. Any payment which **you** would normally have made during **your** travels, if nothing had gone wrong.
14. **Your** participation in any illegal act.
15. **Your** travel to a country or specific area or event to which the travel advice unit of the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) has advised against all, or all but essential travel. **You** can go online at www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/

GENERAL CONDITIONS

You must comply with the following conditions to have the full protection of **your** policy. If **you** do not comply **we** may cancel the policy or refuse to deal with relevant claims or reduce the amount of any relevant claim payments.

1. No payment will be made under Section 1, 2 or 3 without appropriate medical certification.
 2. If **we** require medical certificates, information, evidence and receipts, these must be obtained by **you** at **your** expense.
 3. In the event of a claim, if **we** require a medical examination **you** must agree to this and in the event of death **we** are entitled to a post mortem examination both at **your** expense.
 4. If at the time of any incident which results in a claim under this policy, there is another insurance covering the same loss, damage, expense or liability **we** will not pay more than **our** proportional share.
 5. **You** must take all reasonable steps to avoid **bodily injury**, death, illness, disease, loss, theft, damage, destruction or legal liability and take all reasonable steps to safeguard **your** property and to recover any lost or stolen articles.
 6. Throughout **your** dealings with **us** **we** expect **you** to act honestly.
- If **you** or anyone acting for **you**:
- a) knowingly provides information to **us** as part of **your** application for **your** policy that is not true and complete to the best of **your** knowledge and belief; or b) knowingly makes a fraudulent or exaggerated claim under **your** policy; or
 - c) knowingly makes a false statement in support of a claim; or
 - d) submits a knowingly false or forged document in support of a claim; or
 - e) makes a claim for any loss or damage caused by **your** wilful act or caused with **your** agreement, knowledge or collusion.

Then

- a) **we** may prosecute fraudulent claimants;
 - b) **we** may make the policy void from the date of the fraudulent act;
 - c) **we** will not pay any fraudulent claims;
 - d) **we** will be entitled to recover from **you** the amount of any fraudulent claim already paid under **your** policy since the start date;
 - e) **we** may inform the Police of the circumstances.
7. **We** accept as evidence of cover the booking confirmation issued to **you** by the travel company showing that the premium has been paid.
 8. **You** must not make any payment, admit liability, offer or promise to make any payment without written consent from **us**.
 9. **We** are entitled to take over any rights in the defence or settlement of any claim and to take proceedings in **your** name for **our** benefit against any other party.
 10. **We** may at any time pay to **you** **our** full liability under the policy after which no further payments will be made in any respect.
 11. If at the time of making a claim there is any other policy covering the same risk **we** are entitled to contact that insurer for a contribution.
 12. **You** and **we** are free to choose the laws applicable to this policy. As **we** are based in England, **we** propose to apply the laws of England and Wales and by purchasing this policy **you** have agreed to this.

THE CONSUMER INSURANCE (DISCLOSURE AND REPRESENTATION) ACT 2012

This act abolished the duty of disclosure, but imposes on the individual entering into an insurance contract a duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation to the insurer. In other words, this means that **you** must answer all questions posed by the insurer accurately, truthfully and to the best of **your** knowledge.

If **you** do not the insurer may cancel **your** policy, or reject or only pay a proportion of **your** claim depending on whether the misrepresentation was deliberate, reckless or simply careless.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE, REPATRIATION OR CHANGE IN TRAVEL PLANS

In the event of death, **bodily injury**, illness or disease resulting in any of the above, immediate contact must be made with:

TOWERGATE ASSISTANCE - Telephone: +44 (0) 20 3901 1722 Fax: +44 (0) 20 3901 1723
When calling state **your** identity, **your** policy number and the identity and telephone number of the treating doctor.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME (FSCS)

Towergate Chapman Stevens and the insurers of this policy are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). If **we** are unable to meet **our** obligations, **you** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, depending on the type of insurance and the circumstances of the claim.

Further information is available from the FSCS at www.fscs.org.uk

HOW TO MAKE A CLAIM FOR ALL SECTIONS

If **you** need to make a claim, please contact Towergate Travel claims department on **0344 892 0081** (opening hours 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday excluding Bank Holidays) and ask for a Claim form and Claims evidence sheet or write to:

**Towergate Travel Claims Department,
PO Box 1188,
Doncaster,
DN1 9PQ**

Telephone: 03450 744 838

Email: towergatetravelclaims@directgroup.co.uk

You can also download a pdf of the Claim form and the Claims evidence sheet at: <http://www.towergatechapmanstevens.co.uk/coach-travel-insurance.aspx>

COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

If **you** have cause for complaint, it is important you know **we** are committed to providing **you** with an exceptional level of service and customer care. **We** realise that things can go wrong and there may be occasions when **you** feel that **we** have not provided the service you expected. When this happens, **we** want to hear about it so that **we** can try to put things right.

WHEN YOU CONTACT US

Please give **us** **your** name and a contact telephone number.

Please quote **your** policy and/or claim number, and the type of policy **you** hold.

Please explain clearly and concisely the reason for **your** complaint.

INITIATING YOUR COMPLAINT

Any enquiry or complaint **you** have regarding a claim notified under **your** policy, may be addressed to:

**The Travel Claims Manager,
Towergate Travel Claims Department,
PO Box 1188,
Doncaster,
DN1 9PQ**

Telephone: 03450 744 838

Email: towergatetravelclaims@directgroup.co.uk

Any complaint **you** have regarding **your** policy, may be addressed to:

**The Managing Director,
Towergate Chapman Stevens,
3000 Hillswood Drive,
Hillswood Business Park,
Chertsey, Surrey, KT16 0RS
Telephone: 01932 344300**

BEYOND TOWERGATE TRAVEL – REFERRAL TO THE FINANCIAL OMBUDSMAN SERVICE

If **we** have given **you** our final response and **you** are still dissatisfied, **you** may refer **your** case to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

The Financial Ombudsman Service is an independent body that arbitrates on complaints about general insurance products. It will only consider complaints after **we** have provided **you** with written confirmation that **our** complaints procedure has been exhausted.

The Financial Ombudsman can be contacted at:

**Financial Ombudsman Service,
Exchange Tower,**

Harbour Exchange Square, London E14 9SR.

Telephone: 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9123 Fax: (020) 7964 1001.

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

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

This procedure will not affect your rights in law

TOWERGATE FAIR PROCESSING NOTICE

The privacy and security of **your** information is important to **us**. This notice explains who **we** are, the types of information **we** hold, how **we** use it, who **we** share it with and how long **we** keep it. It also informs **you** of certain rights **you** have regarding **your** personal information under current data protection law. The terms used in this Fair Processing Notice relate to the Information Commissioner's Office guidance.

Who are we?

Towergate Underwriting Group Limited (part of the Ardonagh Group of companies) is the Data Controller of the information **you** provide to **us** and is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office for the products and services **we** provide to **you**.

You can contact **us** for general data protection queries by email to DataProtection@ardonagh.co.uk or in writing to The Data Protection Officer, care of the office of the Chief Information Officer, The Ardonagh Group, 55 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 3AS. Please advise **us** of as much detail as possible to comply with **your** request.

For further information about the Ardonagh Group of companies please visit <http://www.ardonagh.com/>.

What information do we collect?

We will collect personal information which may include **your** name, telephone number, email address, postal address, occupation, date of birth, additional details of risks related to **your** enquiry or product and payment details (including bank account number and sort code) which **we** need to offer and provide the service or product or deal with a claim.

We may need to request and collect sensitive personal information such as details of convictions or medical history that are necessary for providing **you** with the product, service or for processing a claim.

We only collect and process sensitive personal data where it is critical for the delivery of a product or service and without which the product or service cannot be provided. **We** will therefore not seek explicit consent to process this information as the processing is legitimised by its criticality to the service provision. If **you** object to use of this information then **we** will be unable to offer **you** the product or service requested.

How do we use your personal information?

We will use **your** personal information to:

- assess and provide the products or services that **you** have requested
- communicate with **you**
- develop new products and services
- undertake statistical analysis.

We may also take the opportunity to:

- contact **you** about products that are closely related to those **you** already hold with **us**
- provide additional assistance or tips about these products or services
- notify **you** of important functionality changes to **our** websites.

We make outbound phone calls for a variety of reasons relating to many of **our** products or services (for example, to update **you** on the progress of a claim or to discuss renewal of **your** insurance contract).

We are fully committed to the regulations set out by Ofcom and follow strict processes to ensure **we** comply with them.

To ensure confidentiality and security of the information **we** hold, **we** may need to request personal information and ask security questions to satisfy ourselves that **you** are who **you** say you are.

We may aggregate information and statistics on website usage or for developing new and existing products and services, and **we** may also provide this information to third parties. These statistics will not include information that can be used to identify any individual.

Securing your personal information

We follow strict security procedures in the storage and disclosure of **your** personal information in line with industry practices, including storage in electronic and paper formats.

We store all the information **you** provide to **us**, including information provided via forms **you** may complete on **our** websites, and information which **we** may collect from **your** browsing (such as clicks and page views on **our** websites).

Any new information **you** provide to **us** may be used to update an existing record **we** hold for **you**.

When do we share your information?

To help **us** prevent financial crime, **your** details may be submitted to fraud prevention agencies and other organisations where **your** records may be searched, including the Claims and Underwriting Exchange (CUE) and the Motor Insurers Anti-Fraud and Theft Register (MIAFTR).

In addition to companies within the Ardonagh Group, third parties (for example insurers or loss adjusters) deliver some of **our** products or provide all or part of the service requested by **you**. In these instances, while the information **you** provide will be disclosed to these companies, it will only be used for the provision and administration of the service provided (for example verification of any quote given to **you** or claims processing, underwriting and pricing purposes or to maintain management information for analysis).

This may also include conducting a search with a credit reference bureau or contacting other firms involved in financial management regarding payment.

The data **we** collect about **you** may be transferred to, and stored at, a destination outside of the European Economic Area ("EEA"). It may also be processed by staff operating outside of the EEA who work for **us** or for one of **our** suppliers. Such staff may be engaged in, amongst other things, the provision of information **you** have requested.

If **we** provide information to a third party **we** will require it and any of its agents and/or suppliers to take all steps reasonably necessary to ensure that **your** data is treated securely and in accordance with this Fair Processing Notice.

We may of course be obliged by law to pass on **your** information to the police or other law enforcement body, statutory or regulatory authority including but not limited to the Employer's Liability Tracing Office (ELTO) and the Motor Insurance Bureau (MIB).

We may also share **your** information with anyone **you** have authorised to deal with **us** on **your** behalf.

How long do we keep your information for?

We will not keep **your** personal information longer than is necessary for the purpose for which it was provided unless **we** are required by law or have other legitimate reasons to keep it for longer (for example if necessary for any legal proceedings).

We will normally keep information for no more than 6 years after termination or cancellation of a product, contract or service **we** provide. In certain cases, **we** will keep **your** information for longer, particularly where a product includes liability insurances or types of insurance for which a claim could potentially be made by **you** or a third party at a future date, even after **your** contract with **us** has ended.

Your rights

Under data protection law **you** have the right to change or withdraw **your** consent and to request details of any personal data that **we** hold about **you**.

Where **we** have no legitimate reason to continue to hold **your** information, **you** have the right to be forgotten.

We may use automated decision making in processing **your** personal information for some services and products. **You** can request a manual review of the accuracy of an automated decision that **you** are unhappy with.

Further details of **your** rights can be obtained by visiting the Information Commissioner's Office website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

