# Residential Property Owners

**Policy Wording** 



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## Introduction

This policy wording, **schedule** and any **endorsement** applying to **your** policy forms **your** insurance document. This document sets out the conditions of the contract of insurance between **you** and **us**.

In return for payment of the premium shown in the **schedule**, **we** agree to insure **you**, subject to the terms and conditions contained in or endorsed on this insurance, against loss or damage **you** sustain or legal liability **you** incur for accidents happening during the **period of insurance** shown in the **schedule**.

When drawing up this contract of insurance, **we** have relied on the information and statements which **you** have provided to **us** in the proposal form, statement of fact or in the presentation supplied via **your broker**.

The insurance relates ONLY to those sections of the policy which are shown in the **schedule** as being insured.

This insurance is underwritten by A F Beazley Syndicates 2623/623 at Lloyd's of London managed by Beazley Furlonge Ltd.

Beazley Furlonge Limited (Company Registration Number: 01893407 and VAT Number: 649 2754 03) is a managing agent for Syndicates at Lloyd's and is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority (Firm Reference Number: 204896). Beazley Furlonge Limited is registered in England and Wales with its Registered Office at 22 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4BQ.

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**Nelson Policies at Lloyds** is authorised by **us** to sign and issue this policy on **our** behalf in addition to receiving premiums and settling refunds.

**Nelson Policies at Lloyds** is a trading name of Nilefern Ltd. They are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Firm Reference No. 305456. **You** can check their details on the Financial Services Register <a href="https://register.fca.org.uk/">https://register.fca.org.uk/</a>

This policy wording does have certain general conditions and exclusions, that may not be found in a standard insurance policy wording.

Please read the whole document carefully. It is arranged in different sections. It is important that:

- you are clear which sections you have requested and want to be included;
- you understand what each section covers and does not cover;
- you understand your own duties under each section and under the insurance as a whole.
- **you** check that the information **you** have given **us** is complete and accurate and not misleading or untrue.

You are advised to keep copies of documents sent to or received from us for your own protection.

Please contact **your broker** immediately if this document is not correct or if **you** would like to ask any questions.

This policy is designed to insure **your property** against loss or damage as a result of the named insured events in this wording. It does not cover the maintenance of **your property**.

That means **we** will not cover the cost of wear and tear or maintenance costs such as defective rendering, repointing chimneys or general roof maintenance.

We also do not cover damage that happens over time such as damp, rot or damage from vermin.

**You** should keep **your property** in a good state of repair, and take reasonable steps to avoid loss or damage.

TO MAKE A CLAIM, PLEASE CONTACT OURCLAIMS TEAMS:

ON 02380 623062 or <a href="mailto:newclaims@ghgsolutions.co.uk">newclaims@ghgsolutions.co.uk</a>

For full information relating to 'How to make a Claim', please see page 11 of this document.

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## **Definitions**

Throughout this document where the following words appear in bold they will have the meanings shown below:

## **Accidental Damage**

Unexpected and unintended physical damage caused by a single and one-off event resulting from a sudden and external means

## **Bodily Injury**

Physical injury including accidental death, disease or illness, mental anguish or emotional distress

## **Buildings**

The main structure of the private dwelling of **standard construction** and:

- fixtures and fittings attached to and forming part of such structure including permanently fitted flooring
- domestic outbuildings and private garages
- permanently installed swimming pools and hot tubs, tennis courts, patios and terraces, walls, gates, paths, drives and fences and fixed fuel tanks
- radio and television aerials, satellite dishes, their fittings and masts which are attached to such structure

**you** own or for which **you** are legally liable within the **premises** named in the **schedule** 

**Buildings** do NOT include:

carpets

## **Defence Costs**

means:

- (b) the reasonable fees, costs and expenses necessarily incurred by or on **your** behalf in connection with the investigation, defence, settlement or appeal of a covered claim.
- (b) reasonable costs and expenses of an accredited expert retained through defence counsel approved by **us** on behalf of **you** in order to prepare an evaluation, report, assessment, diagnosis or rebuttal of evidence in connection with the defence of a covered claim.

**defence costs** does not include the remuneration of any natural person, policyholder or subsidiary, the cost of their time or **your** costs or overheads.

## **East Kent Underwriting**

The Company who has been authorised by **us** to transact insurance business on their behalf. East Kent Underwriting is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority; their Firm Reference Number is 305448. Registered Office: 2nd Floor, Knightrider Chambers, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6LP

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**Endorsement** 

A change in the terms and conditions of this insurance. These are shown on **your schedule** 

**Excess** 

The amount for which **you** are responsible as the first part of each claim as shown in the **schedule** 

**Furnished** 

A property which has sufficient furniture and furnishings for normal living purposes which as a minimum must include but not be limited to carpets, curtains, beds, tables, chairs, wardrobes and cooking facilities

Heave

Upward movement of the ground beneath the **buildings** as a result of the soil expanding

**High Risk Items** 

Antiques, articles of gold, silver or other precious metals, audio equipment, camping equipment, compact discs, computer equipment, credit, debit, charge, cheque or cash cards, curios, digital versatile/video discs, DVD players/recorders, furs, guns and firearms, jewellery, mobile phones, money, pedal cycles, paintings, photographic equipment, portable electronic games, portable musical instruments, portable sports equipment, stamp, coin and medal collections, televisions, video and audio equipment and watches

**Contents** 

Household goods and furniture, within the private dwelling, which **you** own or which **you** are legally liable for

## Contents includes:

- items in domestic outbuildings, garages or sheds, but within the premises up to five percent (5%) of the total contents sum insured
- carpets, but not permanently fitted flooring

### **Contents** does NOT include:

- motor vehicles caravans, trailers or watercraft or their accessories
- property belonging to any tenant or lessees
- any high risk items
- satellite decoders, radios
- certificates or documents
- clothing, personal effects
- any living creature
- any part of the buildings
- any property held or used for business purposes
- any property insured under any other insurance

Landslip

Downward movement of sloping ground

**Period of Insurance** 

This is the length of time covered by this insurance (as shown in the **schedule**) and any extra period for which **we** accept **your** premium

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Pollutants means any solid, liquid, gaseous, biological, radiological or thermal

irritant, toxic or hazardous substance or contaminant including, but not limited to asbestos, silica, lead, smoke, vapour, dust, fibres, mould, spores, fungi, germs, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals, electromagnetic field chemicals and waste. Waste is deemed to include materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

**Premises** The address which is named in the **schedule** 

**Property** The private dwelling of **standard construction** and the garages and

outbuildings used for domestic purposes at the **premises** shown in

the **schedule** 

**Property Damage** means damage to, destruction of, impairment of, or loss of use of

tangible property

Sanitary Ware Washbasins, sinks, bidets, lavatory pans and cisterns, shower trays,

shower screens, baths and bath panels

**Schedule** The schedule is part of this insurance and contains details of **you**, the

premises, the sums insured, the excess, the period of insurance and

the Sections of this insurance which apply

**Settlement** Downward movement as a result of the soil being compressed by the

weight of the **buildings** within ten (10) years of construction

Single Event means all accidents directly or indirectly arising out of, based upon

or attributable to or in connection with the same originating cause or

source.

**Standard Construction** Built of brick, stone or concrete; be roofed with slates, tiles, concrete

or metal and no more than twenty percent (20%) of the total external roof area either covered with felt, concrete or metal

**Subsidence** Downward movement of the ground beneath the **buildings** other

than by **settlement** 

**Sum Insured** The maximum **we** will pay as stated in the **schedule** applicable to

the particular item or Section

**Unoccupied** The **property** is unoccupied when it has not been lived in for more

than sixty (60) consecutive days or is not **furnished** enough to be

normally lived in

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You / your / insured The person or persons named in the schedule and all members of

their family who permanently live in the **home** in the normal course

of events &/or during school or further education vacations /

holidays

Your broker The insurance broker/agent who placed this insurance on your

behalf

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# Important Information – Information You have given Us

## **Sums Insured**

You must ensure the sums insured provided are correct.

The **buildings sum insured** must be enough to fully rebuild the **buildings** at **your premises** including any expenses **you** have to pay for architects, surveyors, consulting engineers, legal fees, demolition and debris removal.

The **contents sum insured** must be enough to replace all the **contents** within **your buildings** with new items of the same or nearest equivalent quality and type.

## **Information You Have Given Us**

In deciding to accept this policy and in setting the terms including premium **we** have relied on the information which **you** have provided to **us**. **You** must take care when answering any questions **we** ask by ensuring that any information provided is accurate and complete.

If **we** establish that **you** deliberately or recklessly provided **us** with untrue or misleading information **we** will have the right to:

- (a) treat this policy as if it never existed;
- (b) decline all claims; and
- (c) retain the premium.

If **we** establish that **you** carelessly provided **us** with untrue or misleading information **we** will have the right to:

- (i) treat this policy as if it never existed, refuse to pay any claim and return the premium **you** have paid, if **we** would not have provided **you** with cover;
- (ii) treat this policy as if it had been entered into on different terms from those agreed, if **we** would have provided **you** with cover on different terms;
- (iii) reduce the amount **we** pay on any claim in the proportion that the premium **you** have paid bears to the premium **we** would have charged **you**, if **we** would have charged **you** more.

We will notify you in writing if (i), (ii) and/or (iii) apply.

If there are no outstanding claims and (ii) and/or (iii) apply, we will have the right to:

- (1) give **you** thirty (30) days' notice that **we** are terminating this policy; or
- (2) give **you** notice that **we** will treat this policy and any future claim in accordance with (ii) and/or (iii), in which case **you** may then give **us** thirty (30) days' notice that **you** are terminating this policy.
- (3) if this policy is terminated in accordance with (1) or (2), we will refund any premium due to you in respect of the balance of the period of insurance.

If **you** become aware that information **you** have given **us** is inaccurate, **you** must inform **your broker** as soon as possible.

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## Important Information – "Policyholder Notices"

## **Cooling Off Period**

**You** may cancel this insurance contract provided **you** have not made a claim under such insurance contract and **your broker** receives written confirmation of cancellation by post, fax or email within fourteen (14) days of the policy purchase date or the date **you** receive full policy documentation, whichever is the later.

If **you** are able to and do cancel within such fourteen (14) day period, provided **you** have not made a claim, **we** will refund any premiums paid and any applicable administrative charges

## **Your Cancellation Rights**

We or your broker can cancel this insurance contract by giving you thirty (30) days' notice in writing. Any return premium due to you will depend on how long this insurance contract has been in force and whether you have made a claim.

Examples of why **your** insurance contract may be cancelled are as follows:

- if you change your address;
- where we have been unable to collect a premium payment following non-payment correspondence issued to you or your broker;
- a change in the information **you** have previously given **us** where **we** are able to demonstrate that **we** would not normally offer insurance;
- unacceptable behaviour by you such as abusive behaviour or language, intimidation or bullying of our staff or suppliers;
- you have deliberately misrepresented any information given to us;
- your failure to cooperate with us in accordance with our claims conditions where it affects our ability to process your claim;
- if you have acted fraudulent in any way;
- you have deliberately or falsely overstated information given to us.

**You** can also cancel this insurance contract at any time by writing to **your broker**. Any return premium due to **you** will depend on how long this insurance contract has been in force and whether **you** have made a claim. Any return premium will be subject to any applicable administrative charges.

## **Changes in Circumstances**

**We** have relied on the information and statements which **you** have provided in the proposal form or statement of fact. **You** must tell **your broker** of any changes to the answers **you** have given as soon as possible.

Failure to advise of a change to **your** answers may mean **your** policy is invalid and claims may not be paid. These changes may result not only in a change to the terms and conditions of this insurance contract but also **your** premium and/or **excess**.

In particular, you must tell your broker:

- if you change your address;
- if **you** or any person named in the **schedule** receive a county court judgement, conviction or are prosecuted (except for motoring offences where a custodial sentence has not been served);
- if you, your family or any person named in the schedule have been declared bankrupt or become subject to bankruptcy proceedings;
- about any changes to **your buildings** that will increase the rebuilding costs;
- about any changes to **your contents** that will increase the reinstatement costs

Please also ensure that **you** review Pages 13 and 14 for other more specific general conditions relating to **your property** whereby it will be necessary to advise **your broker** of changes.

#### Renewal

We are not bound to offer renewal of this policy.

## Non-payment of premiums

**We** reserve the right to cancel this policy immediately on written notice in the event of non-payment of the premium or payment default if **you** are paying by instalments.

Any return premium due to **you** will depend on how long this insurance has been in force and whether or not any claims have been made.

## **Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS)**

**We** are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if **we** cannot meet **our** obligations.

**Your** entitlement to compensation will depend on the circumstances of the claim. Further information about the compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS at:

Financial Services Compensation Scheme PO Box 300 Mitcheldean GL17 1DY

Tel: 0800 678 1100 and 020 7741 4100

E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiries@fscs.org.uk">enquiries@fscs.org.uk</a> Website: <a href="mailto:www.fscs.org.uk">www.fscs.org.uk</a>

## **Law and Language Applicable to Contract**

This insurance will be governed by English Law, **you** and **we** agree to submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales (unless **you** live in Jersey in which case the law of Jersey will apply and the Jersey courts will have exclusive jurisdiction). The language and all communication with **you** will be in English.

## Contracts (Rights Of Third Parties) Act 1999 Clarification Clause

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

## **Policy administration fees**

**East Kent Underwriting** will charge **you** an administration fee if they:

 make any changes to your policy on your behalf, or cancel your policy at your request Please ask your broker for details of charges that apply.

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# **Insurer's Data Privacy Notice**

We collect and use relevant personal information about you to provide you with your insurance cover or the insurance cover that benefits you and to meet our legal obligations. This information includes details such as your name, address and contact details and any other information that we collect about you in connection with the insurance cover from which you benefit. This information may include more sensitive details such as information about your health and any criminal convictions you may have. The way insurance works means that your information may be shared with, and used by, a number of third parties in the insurance sector for example, insurers, agents or brokers, reinsurers, loss adjusters, sub-contractors, regulators, law enforcement agencies, fraud and crime prevention and detection agencies and compulsory insurance databases. We will only disclose your personal information in connection with the insurance cover that we provide and to the extent required or permitted by law.

Other people's personal information you provide to us: Where you provide us or your broker with personal information about other people, you must provide our privacy notice to them.

**Want more details?** For more information about how **we** use **your** personal information please see **our** full privacy notices, which are available online on **our** websites or in other formats on request.

Contacting us and your rights: You have rights in relation to the information we hold about you, including the right to access your information. If you wish to exercise your rights, discuss how we use your information or request a copy of our full privacy notices, please contact our Data Protection Officer: The Data Protection Officer, Beazley Plc, 22 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 4BQ. Email: <a href="mailto:DPO@beazley.com">DPO@beazley.com</a>

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## **Claims**

In the event of a claim or potential claim under this policy, please contact **our** claims team as follows:

Telephone: 02380 623062 or Email <a href="mailto:newclaims@ghgsolutions.co.uk">newclaims@ghgsolutions.co.uk</a>

Ongoing claims correspondence can be sent to <a href="mailto:correspondence@agatha.app.ghgsolutions.co.uk">correspondence@agatha.app.ghgsolutions.co.uk</a>

(Opening Hours 9am to 5:30pm Monday to Friday. An out of hours, claim notification service is available)

When contacting **our** claims teams, please ensure **you** have **your** policy reference number available. **We** may record or monitor calls for training purposes or to improve the quality of **our** service.

### **Defence of claims**

**We** may take full responsibility for conducting, defending or settling any claim in **your** name and any action **we** consider necessary to enforce **your** rights or **our** rights under this insurance.

## Claims conditions applicable to the whole of this insurance

**Your** duties in the event of a claim or possible claim under this insurance:

- 1. You must notify our appointed claims management teams as soon as possible of all incidents that may give rise to a claim. This must be no later than thirty (30) days from the date of the incident. If the incident is as a direct result of theft or any malicious act, then the incident must be reported to the police by you within twenty four (24) hours of discovery of the incident to obtain a crime reference number. Additionally, if the incident is a direct result of riot, civil commotion, labour or political disturbances, theft, attempted theft or malicious acts then this must be notified to us within seven (7) days of the incident.
- 2. **You** must provide **us** with written details of what happened within thirty (30) days of the incident and provide any other information **we** may require.
- 3. **You** must forward to **us**, as soon as reasonably possible, any letter, writ, summons or other legal document served on **you** in connection with a claim or possible claim. **You** must not admit liability, offer or agree to settle any claim or answer any correspondence without **our** prior written consent.
- 4. You must allow us or our representatives full access to your property or any building where any loss or damage has occurred and deal with the claim. We will also be entitled to defend or settle any legal action and take proceedings to recover compensation from any third party in respect of anything that is covered by this policy, we may do this in your name and for our benefit but at our expense.
- 5. **You** must not dispose of any damaged items before **we** have had the opportunity to inspect them unless **you** have been advised by **us** to dispose of them.

- 6. It is **your** responsibility to prove any loss and **you** must provide **us** with evidence of the value or age (or both) for all items involved in a claim. To help prove **your** claim **you** must give **us** evidence of the value of any item involved as well as any other relevant information **we** may require. For example purchase receipts, invoices, bank or credit card statements, photographs or other evidence of ownership.
- 7. **You** must take care to limit any loss, damage or injury.
- 8. **You** must not make a claim which is fraudulent and/or intentionally exaggerated and/or supported by any fraudulent statements or other devices. If **you** do, **we** will not pay **your** claim. In addition, **we** will have the right to:
  - a) treat this policy as terminated from the date of **your** fraudulent act
  - b) recover from you any amounts that we have paid in respect of your fraudulent claim
  - c) keep **your** premium in full
- 9. **You** must pay all premiums that are due. If any premium that is due has not been paid at the time of any claim or incident giving rise to a claim, it may result in **your** claim not being paid.

Failure to comply fully with any of the claims conditions listed above may result in **your** claim not being paid in full or paid at all.

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## **Complaints and Concerns**

**Our** aim is to ensure that all aspects of **your** insurance are dealt with promptly, efficiently and fairly. At all times **we** are committed to providing **you** with the highest standard of service.

If **you** have any questions or concerns about **your** insurance or the handling of a claim **you** should, in the

first instance, contact your broker.

If **your broker** or **we** cannot resolve your concerns and wish to make a complaint, **you** can do so at any time by referring the matter to the Complaints team at Lloyd's. The contact details are:

Complaints, Lloyd's Market Services, One Lime Street, London EC3M 7HA. Tel: 020 7327 5693 Email: complaints@lloyds.com

Details of Lloyd's complaints procedures, including timescales for resolution, are set out in a leaflet "Your Complaint – How We Can Help" available at <a href="https://www.lloyds.com">www.lloyds.com</a> and are also available from the above address.

## Financial ombudsman service

If you remain dissatisfied after Lloyd's has considered your complaint, or, in any event, after a period of eight weeks from making your complaint, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). The contact details for the FOS are: The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR. Telephone: 0800 023 4567 (calls to this number are free from "fixed lines" in the UK) or 0300 1239123 (calls to this number are charged at the same rate as 01 and 02 numbers on mobile phone tariffs in the UK). Email: <a href="mailto:complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk">complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk</a>. Making a complaint does not affect your right to take legal action.

The FOS is an independent service in the UK for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services. **You** can find more information on the FOS at <a href="www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk">www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk</a>.

## **Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS)**

The subscribing insurers are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if an insurer is unable to meet its obligations to **you** under this contract If **you** are entitled to compensation from FSCS, the level and extent of the compensation will depend on the nature of this **policy**. Further information about FSCS is available on their website: <a href="www.fscs.org.uk">www.fscs.org.uk</a> or **you** can write to them at PO Box 300, Mitcheldean, GL17 1DY.

## General Conditions applicable to the whole of this insurance

**You** must comply fully with all of the conditions listed below. If **you** fail to comply with this condition **we** may refuse to pay **your** claim or reduce any payment **we** make under this policy.

- **1. You** must comply with all the terms and conditions of this policy. **You** must also take care to limit any loss, damage or injury.
- 2. The **property** must be maintained in good condition, a good state of repair and be structurally sound.
- **3.** You must ensure that all protections provided for the security of the **property**, including all alarm systems and locks, are maintained in good working order and are in full and effective operation. If **you** fail to comply with any part of this condition, claims as a result of illegal entry or exit will not be covered.
- **4. You** must inform **your broker** as soon as reasonably possible of any change to the occupancy of the **property** from that last disclosed to **us** or if the **property** becomes illegally occupied.
- **5.** You must inform your broker as soon as reasonably possible if the property becomes unoccupied for more than 60 consecutive days.
- **6.** You must inform your broker as soon as reasonably possible if the property becomes unoccupied to be sold.
- 7. You must tell your broker before you start any refurbishments, conversions, extensions or other structural works to the buildings or if there are any changes from those already disclosed to us.
- **8.** You must inform your broker as soon as reasonably possible if the property is to be demolished or if the property becomes subject to compulsory purchase order.

When **your broker** receives notification of any change in circumstance as described above, **we** or **your broker** have the option to either change the terms and conditions, charge an additional premium or issue notice of cancellation of this insurance.

## Additional Conditions applicable whilst any part of the premises are let or tenanted

- 1. You must comply with all regulations/statutory conditions regarding the letting of the **property/ies** including, but not limited to:
  - a) the number of persons legally allowed to reside at the **property**
  - b) compliance with the Furniture and Furnishings (Fire Safety) Regulations 1988 (amended)
  - c) having minimum legal number of smoke detectors/fire extinguishers/fire blankets installed at the **property**
  - d) holding (if applicable) an appropriate license issued by the local authority (in which the **property** is located) for the **property**
- 2. **You** must ensure that all gas appliances/boilers fitted at the **property** are serviced by an individual on the Gas Safety Register within thirty (30) days of inception of this insurance or not more than one calendar year from the date they were last serviced, whichever is sooner.
  - Subsequent to the dates stated above **you** must have all gas appliances/boilers fitted at the **property** serviced at least once every twelve (12) months. **You** must keep in **your** possession the original dated receipts for all the servicing operations of each individual appliance (including any servicing prior to inception of this insurance) for a period of twenty four (24) months. **You** will have to produce them for **our** inspection if **we** ask for them.

Additional Conditions applicable whilst the property is unoccupied

- 1. You or your representatives must visit the premises for internal and external inspection purposes at least once every 14 days and a record of all such inspections to be kept and any defects revealed by such inspections remedied immediately.
- 2. Cover in respect of loss or damage caused by escape of water from fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes irrespective of the initial or proximate cause shall only apply provided that the water be turned off at the mains.
- 3. All loose material to be kept clear of the **property.**
- **4.** Should the **property** have a commercial element then it is a condition of this policy that all accessible doors and windows be sealed against illegal entry with shutters or are boarded up.

When **we** or **your broker** receive notice of the above **we** or **your broker** have the option to either change the terms and conditions, charge an additional premium or issue notice of cancellation of this insurance.

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# General Exclusions applicable to the whole of this insurance

This insurance will be subject to the following Exclusion and **we** will not cover any losses excluded by these causes:

# Radioactive Contamination and Nuclear Assemblies Exclusion Clause We will not pay for

- 1. loss or destruction of or damage to any **property** whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss
- 2. any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:
  - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel;
  - the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.

### **War Exclusion Clause**

**We** will not pay for any loss or damage or 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 destruction of or damage to **property** by or under the order of any government or public or local authority.

# Nuclear, Biological and Chemical Contamination Exclusion Clause

**We** will not pay for:

- 1. loss or destruction of or damage to any **property** whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss;
- 2. any legal liability of whatsoever nature;
- 3. death or injury to any person;

directly or indirectly caused by, or contributed to, by or arising from Nuclear, Biological or Chemical contamination due to or arising from:

- terrorism; and/or
- steps taken to prevent, suppress, control or reduce the consequences of any actual, attempted, threatened, suspected or perceived terrorism.

For the purposes of this exclusion "terrorism" means any act(s) of any person(s) or organisation(s) involving:

- the causing, occasioning or threatening of harm of whatever nature and by whatever means
- putting the public or any section of the public in fear

in circumstances in which it is reasonable to conclude that the purpose(s) of the person(s) or organisation(s) concerned are wholly or partly of a political, religious, ideological or similar nature.

## **Contamination, Pollution Exclusion Clause**

We will not pay for any loss, damage or liability, directly or indirectly, caused by or arising from any

 pollution, contamination, soot deposit, impairment with dust, chemical precipitation, adulteration or impurification other than where cover is given under the property owners liability section and under the escape of oil provisions of your policy.

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## **Communicable Disease Exclusion**

Notwithstanding any other provision herein, this insurance does not cover:

Any actual or alleged loss, damage, liability, injury, sickness, cost or expense, regardless of any other cause contributing concurrently or in any sequence, in any way caused by or resulting directly or indirectly:

- a) infectious or contagious disease
- b) any fear or threat of a) above or
- c) any action taken to minimise or prevent the impact of a) above

Infectious or contagious disease means any disease capable of being transmitted from an infected person, animal or species to another person, animal or species by any means.

## **Faulty Workmanship Clause**

**We** will not pay for any loss, damage or liability arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials.

## **Contractors Exclusion Clause**

**We** will not pay for any loss, damage or liability arising out of the activities of contractors. For the purpose of this exclusion a contractor is defined as any person, company or organisation working at or on the **property**, including where **you** are working in **your** capacity as a professional tradesman.

## **Domestic Pets, Insects or Vermin Exclusion Clause**

We will not pay for any loss, damage or liability caused by domestic pets, insects or vermin.

## **Micro-organism Exclusion Clause**

**We** will not pay for any loss, damage, claim cost, expense or other sum directly or indirectly arising out of or relating to:

Mould, mildew, fungus, spores or other micro-organism of any type, nature or description, including but not limited to any substance whose presence poses an actual threat to human health.

This exclusion applies regardless of whether there is:

- any physical loss or damage to insured property
- any insured peril or cause, whether or not contributing concurrently or in any sequence
- any one loss, occupancy or functionality or
- any action required, including but not limited to repair, replacement, removal, clean up, abatement, disposal, relocation or steps taken to address medical or legal concerns

## **Sonic Bangs**

**We** will not pay for any loss or damage occasioned by pressure waves caused by aircraft or other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speed.

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## **Limited Cyber and Data Exclusion**

The following exclusions apply to the whole of the contract.

We will not pay for any:

(a) Cyber

loss, damage, liability, cost or expense caused deliberately or accidentally by:

- i. the use of or inability to use any application, software, or programme;
- ii. any computer virus;
- iii. any computer related hoax relating to i and/or ii above.

However, where a fire or explosion occurs as a result of (a)(i) or (a)(ii) above, **we** will still cover damage resulting from that fire or explosion.

(b) Electronic Data

loss of or damage to any electronic data (for example files or images) wherever it is stored.

## **Asbestos Exclusion Clause**

This insurance does not cover any loss or damage, cost or expense directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting as a consequence of, or related to the 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.

### **Diminution in Value Clause**

**We** will not pay for any reduction in value of the **property** insured following repair or replacement paid for under this insurance.

## **Existing and Deliberate Damage Exclusion Clause**

We will not pay for loss, damage or liability:

- occurring before cover starts or arising from an event before cover starts
- caused deliberately by you, your representatives or by any person lawfully on the premises
- due to consequential loss of any kind or description

## **Wear and Tear Exclusion Clause**

**We** will not pay for any loss, damage or liability caused by wear and tear or any other gradually operating cause.

## **Electrical Equipment Faults**

**We** will not pay for loss or damage to electrical equipment by its short-circuiting or overrunning not resulting in fire.

## **Sanctions Suspension Clause**

**You** agree that any cover, the payment of any claim and any benefit provided under **your Policy** will be suspended, to the extent that providing any cover, the payment of any claim or the provision of any benefit would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under any:

- a. United Nations' resolution(s); or
- b. trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

The suspension will continue until **we** are no longer exposed to any sanction, prohibition or restriction.

## Other insurance

**We** will not pay any claim if any loss, damage or liability covered under this insurance contract is also covered wholly or in part under any other insurance contract except in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would have been covered under such other insurance contract had this insurance contract not been affected.

## **Illegal or Criminal Acts Exclusion**

**We** will not pay for any loss, damage or liability arising from any illegal or criminal act by **you**, any paying guest, lodger, tenant or anyone lawfully on the **premises**.

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# **Section One – Buildings**

This section of the policy wording sets out the coverage **we** provide for the **buildings** at the **premises** 

What is covered	What is not covered
This insurance covers the <b>buildings</b> for physical loss or damage directly caused by the following insured perils:	We will not pay:
Fire and resultant smoke damage, lightning, explosion or earthquake	<ul> <li>a) the excess as shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to property caused by its undergoing any process involving the application of heat</li> </ul>
Impact with the <b>property</b> by aircraft or other aerial devices or articles dropped from them	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
3. Storm, flood or weight of snow	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage caused by subsidence, heave or landslip, other than as covered under number 9 of Section One - Buildings</li> <li>c) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel-oil tanks in the open, swimming pools, hot tubs, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, gates and fences</li> <li>d) for loss or damage to the buildings caused by frost</li> <li>e) for loss or damage to the buildings caused by a rise in the water table or other gradually operating cause</li> <li>f) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in.</li> </ul>
Escape of water from fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel-oil tanks, swimming pools and hot tubs</li> <li>c) for loss or damage caused by subsidence, heave or landslip, other than as covered under number 9 of Section One - Buildings</li> <li>d) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> <li>e) for loss or damage to the property caused by wet or dry rot</li> <li>f) for loss or damage caused by an escape of water from guttering, rainwater downpipes, roof valleys and gullies</li> <li>g) for loss or damage to the buildings caused by the failure or lack of grout and/or sealant</li> </ul>

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5. Escape of oil from a fixed domestic oil-fired heating installation and smoke damage caused by a fault in any fixed domestic heating installation	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>
6. Theft or attempted theft	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage unless involving forcible and violent entry to or exit from the property which is evidenced by visible signs of damage to the property or by deception</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> <li>d) for loss or damage which your tenants or their guests have caused, allowed, chosen to overlook or not reported to the police</li> <li>e) for loss or damage caused by persons lawfully on the premises</li> </ul>
7. Collision by any vehicle or animal	<ul><li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li><li>b) for loss or damage caused by pets or livestock</li></ul>
8. Malicious damage, riot, violent disorder, strike, labour disturbance or civil commotion	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage unless involving forcible and violent entry to or exit from the property which is evidenced by visible signs of damage to the property or by deception</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> <li>d) for loss or damage which your tenants or their guests have caused, allowed, chosen to overlook or not reported to the police</li> <li>e) for loss or damage caused by persons lawfully on the premises</li> </ul>

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9. <b>Subsidence</b> or <b>heave</b> of the site upon which	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
9. Subsidence or heave of the site upon which the buildings stand or landslip	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to domestic fixed fuel-oil tanks, swimming pools, hot tubs, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates and fences unless the premises are also affected at the same time by the same event</li> <li>c) for loss or damage to solid floors unless the walls of the private dwelling are damaged at the same time by the same event</li> <li>d) for loss or damage arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials</li> <li>e) for loss or damage which compensation has been provided for or would have been but for the existence of this insurance under any contract or guarantee or by law</li> <li>f) for loss or damage caused by coastal or riverbank erosion</li> <li>g) for loss or damage whilst the buildings are undergoing any structural repairs, alterations or extension</li> <li>h) for loss or damage caused by new structures bedding down, settling, expanding or shrinking</li> <li>i) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>
10.Breakage or collapse of fixed radio and television aerials, fixed satellite dishes and their fittings and masts	a) the excess shown in the schedule b) for loss or damage while the <b>buildings</b> are unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in unless Extended Unoccupancy is stated in the schedule
11.Falling trees, telegraph poles or lampposts	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to gates and fences unless the buildings are damaged during the same event</li> <li>c) for loss or damage caused by trees being cut down or cut back within the premises</li> <li>d) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>

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# **Section One – Accidental Damage to the Buildings**

The following extension only applies if the **schedule** shows that **accidental damage** to the **buildings** is included:

What is covered	What is not covered
This extension covers	We will not pay
Accidental damage to the buildings	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for damage or any proportion of damage which we specifically exclude elsewhere under Section One - Buildings</li> <li>c) for the buildings moving, settling, shrinking, collapsing or cracking</li> <li>d) for damage while the property is being altered, repaired, cleaned, maintained or extended</li> <li>e) for damage to outbuildings and garages which are not of standard construction</li> <li>f) for the cost of general maintenance</li> <li>g) for damage caused by wear and tear, infestation, corrosion, damp, wet or dry rot, mould or frost or any other gradually operating cause</li> <li>h) for damage arising from faulty design, specification, workmanship or materials</li> <li>i) for damage from mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown</li> <li>j) for damage caused by dryness, dampness, extremes of temperature or exposure to light</li> <li>k) for damage to swimming pools, hot tubs, tennis courts, drives, patios and terraces, walls, gates and fences and fuel tanks</li> <li>l) for any damage caused by or contributed to</li> </ul>
	by or arising from any kind of pollution and/or contamination
	m) for loss or damage while the <b>property</b> is <b>unoccupied</b> or not <b>furnished</b> enough to be
	normally lived in

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# **Section One – Buildings - Additional Coverage**

This Section of the insurance also covers	We will not pay
<ul> <li>a) The cost of repairing accidental damage to:         <ul> <li>fixed glass and double glazing (including the cost of replacing frames)</li> <li>solar panels</li> <li>sanitary ware</li> <li>ceramic hobs all forming part of the buildings</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage caused by chipping, denting or scratching</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>b) The cost of repairing accidental damage to:         <ul> <li>domestic oil pipes</li> <li>underground water supply pipes</li> <li>underground sewers, drains and septic tanks</li> <li>underground gas pipes</li> <li>underground cables</li> <li>which you are legally liable for</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to any part of the cables or service pipes within the buildings</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> <li>d) for the cost of clearing blocked drains unless the blockage is caused by damage to the fabric of the drains insured by this Section</li> <li>e) for loss or damage caused to pitch fibre drains and by any inherited defect in the design, construction or installation of the drains</li> </ul>

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- c) The cost of temporary accommodation for your tenant or Loss of Rent contractually due to you which you are unable to recover for a reasonable period necessary to repair the buildings following loss or damage to buildings which is covered under Section One - Buildings
- a) any amount over thirty-three point three three percent (33.33%) of the **sum insured** for the **buildings** damaged or destroyed
- b) for loss of rent arising from the tenants leaving the **property** without giving **you** notice
- c) rent the tenants have not paid
- d) for loss of rent from any buildings that were unoccupied immediately before the insured event giving rise to a claim
- e) for loss of rent or any other expenses, including but not limited to service charges / cancellation charges, you must pay to the letting agent or any approved internet application
- f) for loss of rent or other expenses arising from any part of the **property** that is used for anything other than domestic accommodation
- g) for loss of rent or other expenses after the **property** is fit to be let out
- h) for loss of rent for more than twenty four (24) months
- for loss of rent for which there is no evidence of pre-booked reservation(s)
- j) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in
- d) Expenses **you** have to pay and which **we** have agreed in writing for
  - architects', surveyors' consulting engineers' and legal fees
  - the cost of removing debris and making safe the building
  - costs you have to pay in order to comply with any Government or local authority requirements

following loss or damage to the **buildings** which is covered under Section One - Buildings

- a) the excess shown in the schedule
- b) any expenses for preparing a claim or an estimate of loss or damage
- any costs if Government or local authority requirements have been served on you before the loss or damage
- d) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in
- e) for loss or damage to any undamaged parts of the **buildings** except the foundations of the damaged parts
- f) any amount over fifteen (15%) of the **sum** insured for **buildings** damaged or destroyed
- e) Any cost of metered electricity, gas or water for which **you** are legally responsible arising from its unauthorised use by persons taking possession or occupying the property without **your** authority. Provided that **you** shall take all practical steps to terminate such unauthorised use as soon as it is discovered
- a) the excess shown in the schedule
- b) more than one thousand pounds (£1,000) in any **period of insurance**
- for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in

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f)	Anyone buying the <b>property</b> who will have the benefit of Section One - Buildings until the sale is completed or the insurance ends, whichever is sooner	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) if the buildings are insured under any other insurance</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>
g)	Loss or damage to lawns or gardens as a direct result of the actions arising from the emergency services while attending the buildings to deal with an emergency at the premises	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) the costs arising due to the failure of trees, shrubs, plants, turf and the like to germinate or to become established</li> <li>c) more than one thousand pounds (£1,000) in any period of insurance</li> <li>d) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>
h)	Loss or damage to the <b>property</b> caused by the emergency services attending the <b>premises</b>	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) more than one thousand pounds (£1,000) in any period of insurance</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> </ul>
i)	Costs <b>you</b> have to pay for replacing locks to outside doors at the <b>property</b> following theft of the keys from <b>you</b>	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) more than one thousand pounds (£1,000) in any period of insurance</li> </ul>
j)	Expenses <b>you</b> have to pay and which <b>we</b> have agreed in writing for the cost of removal, repairing, replacing or reinstating any part of the <b>buildings</b> , which is necessary to establish the source of a water leak from any fixed water appliance, pipe or tank, which has given rise to a claim under Section One - Buildings	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) more than five thousand pounds (£5,000) in any one period of insurance</li> </ul>

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- k) Damage to buildings and contents (where shown as insured in the policy schedule) arising from your tenant's use of the premises for the manufacture, cultivation, harvest or processing by any other method of drugs classed as a controlled substance under the Misuse of Drugs Act (1971).
  - **You** will lose **your** right to indemnity if **you**, or anyone acting on **your** behalf, do not:
  - a. carry out internal and external inspections of the **buildings** at least every three months or as permitted under the tenancy agreement and:
    - i. maintain a log of such inspections and retain that log for at least 24 months
    - ii. carry out a six monthly management check of the inspections log
  - b. obtain and record written formal identification of any prospective tenant
  - c. obtain and retain a written employer's reference for any new tenant
  - d. obtain and record details of your tenant's bank account and verify those details by receiving at least one payment from such account
  - e. advise **your** tenant, where sub-letting is allowed by the tenancy agreement, that they must follow the measures laid out in paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) above for all lettings that they arrange.

- a) the first one thousand pounds (£1,000) of each and every loss at each of the premises insured
- b) more than five thousand pounds (£5,000) in any one **period of insurance**

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## Conditions that apply to Section One – Buildings only

## Settling claims - How we deal with your claim

If **your** claim for loss or damage is covered under Section One – Buildings, **we** will pay the full cost of repair as long as:

- the buildings were in a good state of repair immediately prior to the loss or damage
- the sum insured is enough to pay for the full cost of rebuilding the **buildings** in their present form
- the damage has been repaired or loss has been reinstated

**We** will subtract an amount for wear and tear or betterment from the cost of any replacement or repair if immediately before the loss or damage the **buildings** were not in a good state of repair

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

#### Your sum insured

**We** will not reduce the sum insured under Section One – Buildings after **we** have paid a claim as long as **you** agree to carry out **our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.

If you are under insured, which means the cost of rebuilding the buildings at the time of loss or damage is more than your sum insured for the buildings, then we will proportionally reduce the amount of any claim payment made by the percentage of under payment of the premium which has arisen as a result of the shortfall in sum insured. For example, if the premium you have paid for your buildings insurance is equal to 75% of what your premium would have been if your buildings sum insured was enough to reconstruct your buildings, then we will pay up to 75% of any claim made by you.

The sums insured in this section will be index linked at each renewal of **your** policy in line with The House Rebuilding Cost Index issued by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. At renewal, the premium will be charged on the adjusted sum insured. For **your** protection should the index fall below zero **we** will not reduce the sum insured.

## **Limit of Insurance**

**We** will not pay more than one hundred percent (100%) of the sum insured for each **premises** shown in the **schedule**, including any payments for loss of rent, alternative accommodation and expenses **you** have to pay and which **we** have agreed in writing for architects, surveyors, consulting engineers and legal fees.

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# **Section Two – Contents**

This section of the policy wording sets out the coverage **we** provide for the **contents** at the **premises** 

What is covered	What is not covered
This insurance covers the <b>contents</b> for loss or damage directly caused by:	We will not pay
Fire and resultant smoke damage, lightning, explosion or earthquake	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to property caused by its undergoing any process involving the application of heat</li> </ul>
Aircraft and other flying devices or items dropped from them	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
3. Storm, flood or weight of snow	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage to contents in the open</li> <li>c) for loss or damage while the buildings are unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in unless Extended         Unoccupancy is stated in the schedule</li> <li>d) for loss or damage caused by frost</li> <li>e) for loss or damage caused by a rise in the water table or other gradually occurring cause</li> </ul>
4. Escape of water from fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes	<ul> <li>a) the excess shown in the schedule</li> <li>b) for loss or damage while the property is unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in</li> <li>c) for loss or damage caused by subsidence, heave or landslip other than as covered under number 9 of Section Two -Contents</li> <li>d) for loss or damage caused by wet or dry rot</li> <li>e) for loss or damage caused by the failure or lack of grout and/or sealant</li> </ul>
5. Escape of oil from a fixed domestic oil-fired heating installation and smoke damage caused by a fault in any fixed domestic heating installation	a) the excess shown in the schedule b) for loss or damage while the buildings are unoccupied or not furnished enough to be normally lived in unless Extended Unoccupancy is stated in the schedule

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6. Theft or attempted theft	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
o. There of determpted there	b) for loss or damage unless involving forcible
	and violent entry to or exit from the
	property which is evidenced by visible signs
	of damage to the <b>property</b> or by deception
	c) any amount more than five percent (5%) of
	the total <b>sum insured</b> for <b>contents</b> , within
	any detached domestic outbuildings and
	garages within the <b>premises</b> d) for loss or damage caused by any person
	lawfully on the <b>premises</b>
	e) for loss or damage which <b>your</b> tenants or
	their guests have caused, allowed, chosen
	to overlook or not reported to the police
	f) for loss or damage while the <b>property</b> is
	unoccupied or not furnished enough to be
	normally lived in
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	g) for money, certificates, documents or any high risk items
7. Collision by any vehicle or animal	a) the excess shown in the schedule
7. Comsion by any venicle of animal	b) for loss or damage caused by pets or
	livestock
8. Malicious damage, riot, violent disorder,	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
strike, labour disturbance or civil	b) for loss or damage unless involving forcible
commotion	and violent entry to or exit from the
	<b>property</b> which is evidenced by visible signs
	of damage to the <b>property</b> or by deception
	c) for loss or damage while the <b>property</b> is
	unoccupied or not furnished enough to be
	normally lived in
	d) for loss or damage which <b>your</b> tenants or
	their guests have caused, allowed, chosen
	to overlook or not reported to the police
	e) for loss or damage caused by persons
	lawfully on the <b>premises</b>
9. <b>Subsidence</b> or <b>heave</b> of the site upon which	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
the <b>buildings</b> stand or <b>landslip</b>	b) for loss or damage which but for the
	existence of this insurance would be
	covered under any contract or guarantee or
	by law
	c) for loss or damage caused by any new
	structures bedding down, settling,
	expanding or shrinking
	d) for loss or damage whilst the <b>buildings</b> are
	undergoing any structural repairs,
	alterations or extensions
	e) for loss or damage by coastal or riverbank
	erosion
10.Falling trees, telegraph poles or lampposts	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
	b) for loss or damage caused by trees being
	cut down or cut back within the <b>premises</b>

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## Conditions that apply to Section Two -Contents only

## Settling claims - How we deal with your claim

If **you** claim for loss or damage to the **contents, we** will at **our** option repair, replace or pay for any article covered under Section Two –Contents.

For total loss or destruction or any article **we** will pay **you** the cost of replacing the article as new, as long as:

- the new article is as close as possible to but not an improvement on the original article when it was new; and
- **you** have paid or **we** have authorised the cost of replacement

The above basis of settlement will not apply to:

- clothes
- pedal cycles,
- mobile phones

where we will take off any amount for wear and tear and depreciation

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

## Your sum insured

**We** will not reduce the sum insured under Section Two –Contents after **we** have paid a claim as long as **you** agree to carry out **our** recommendations to prevent further loss or damage.

If you are under insured, which means the cost of replacing or repairing the contents at the time of loss or damage is more than your sum insured for the contents, then we will proportionally reduce the amount of any claim payment made by the percentage of under payment of premium which has arisen as a result of the shortfall in sum insured. For example, if the premium you have for your contents insurance is equal to 75% of what the premium would have been if your contents sum insured was enough to replace the entire contents as new, then we will pay up to 75% of any claim made by you.

The sums insured in this section will be index linked at each renewal of **your** policy in line with The Consumer Durables Section of the General Index of Retail Prices or a similar index selected by us. At renewal, the premium will be charged on the adjusted sum insured. For **your** protection should the index fall below zero **we** will not reduce the sum insured.

## **Limit of Insurance**

We will not pay more than the sum insured for the **contents** of each **premises** shown in the **schedule** including any payments for loss of rent or alternative accommodation.

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# **Section Three – Property Owners Liability**

**We** will cover **you** for your legal liability as property owner for any amounts **you** become legally liable to pay as damages for both **bodily injury** or **property damage** caused by an accident happening at the **premises** shown in the **schedule**, during the **period of insurance** 

We will not pay in respect of other liability covered under Section Three more than two million pounds (£2,000,000) in all unless otherwise stated in the **schedule** for any one accident or **single event**, plus **defence costs** and expenses which **we** have agreed in writing.

What is covered	What is not covered
We will compensate you;	We will not compensate you for any liability;
1. as owner for any amounts you become legally liable to pay as compensation for bodily injury caused by an accident happening at the premises during the period of insurance  2. for compensation to property caused by an accident happening at the premises during the period of insurance	a) for the excess shown in the schedule b) for bodily injury to:

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What is covered	What is not covered
	<ul> <li>i) in respect of any kind of pollution involving pollutants or clean up of any pollutants other than:         <ul> <li>caused by sudden, identified, unexpected and unforeseen accident which happens in its entirety at a specific moment of time during the period of insurance at the premises named in the schedule and</li> <li>reported to us not later than thirty (30) days from the end of the period of insurance</li> <li>in which case all such pollution involving pollutants and/or contamination arising out of such accident shall be deemed to have happened at the time of such accident arising out of your ownership, occupation, possession or use of any land or building that is not within the premises</li> <li>k) if you are entitled to indemnity under any other insurance, including but not limited to any house or travel insurance, until such insurance(s) is exhausted</li> </ul> </li> <li>I) the award of any court outside the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man</li> </ul>
Defective Premises Act 1972 Extension	a) the <b>excess</b> shown in the <b>schedule</b>
We will compensate you for any amount you	b) if <b>you</b> are entitled to compensation under
become legally liable to pay under Section 3 of	any other insurance
the Defective Premises Act 1972 or Article 5 of	c) the cost of repairing any defect or alleged
the Defective Premises (Northern Ireland)	defect
Order 1975 in connection with the <b>premises</b>	
disposed of by <b>you</b> , occurring during the <b>period</b>	
of insurance	

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