# Welcome to your Excess Protect Policy

In the event of any claim, advice or assistance you must firstly contact our Claims Helpline. The number to ring is 01904 238281

Please quote your name and address. Your policy number is 10555/AS14

# This is a "claims made" insurance and only covers claims notified to the Coverholder during the Period of Insurance

This is a legally binding policy between **You** (the insured) and **Us** (the insurer). This contract does not give, or intend to give, rights to anyone else and no one else has the right to enforce any part of this contract.

## **MEANING OF WORDS**

**AGENT** means the intermediary from whom **You** purchased this insurance

**COVERHOLDER** means Arc Legal Assistance Limited who administers this insurance and handles claims under this insurance on **Our** behalf

**COVER LEVEL** means the amount shown in **Your Motor Insurance Policy** in respect of the **Excess**, up to £250, which **We** will pay to **You** under this Policy during any one **Period of Insurance** 

**EXCESS** means the amount **You** must pay under the terms of **Your Motor Insurance Policy** in respect of any **Motor Claim** as the first amount of that claim, or the amount that is deducted from **Your** settlement in the event of a total loss claim

MOTOR CLAIM means a claim under the terms of Your Motor Insurance Policy arising as a result of physical damage to the vehicle following fire, theft or vandalism or as a result of an accident which was wholly or partially Your fault or the fault of a Named Driver or where You are unable to recover Your Excess from a liable third party

**MOTOR INSURANCE POLICY** means the insurance policy arranged by the **Agent** in respect of **Your Motor Vehicle** which was arranged at the same time as or up to 45 days prior to this Policy

**MOTOR INSURER** means an FCA Regulated Motor Insurer who underwrites **Your Motor Insurance Policy** 

**MOTOR VEHICLE** means a vehicle (not being an invalid carriage), which is constructed for the carriage of passengers and their effects, is adapted to carry not more than seven passengers of which **You** are the owner and registered keeper

NAMED DRIVER means drivers in addition to You who are permitted to drive Your Motor Vehicle under the terms of Your Motor Insurance Policy

**PERIOD OF INSURANCE** means the period for which **We** have accepted the premium being the same period as applies to **Your Motor Insurance Policy** 

SETTLED MOTOR CLAIM means a Motor Claim which is accepted and successfully settled by Your Motor Insurer in the stated Period of Insurance

WE, OUR, US means AmTrust Specialty Limited, the insurer of this policy

YOU, YOUR means the person who has taken out this policy

# WHAT YOU ARE COVERED FOR:

A single claim by You for an amount equal to Your Excess under Your Motor Insurance Policy, in relation to Your Settled Motor Claim.

# WHAT YOU ARE NOT COVERED FOR:

We will not pay:

- 1. Any claim for Your Excess in respect of any claim You make under Your Motor Insurance Policy that Your Motor Insurer declines or any instance where no claim is brought under Your Motor Insurance Policy because the value of such claim would not exceed the Excess payable by You
- 2. Any claim for **Your Excess** in respect of any claim which occurred prior to the commencement date of this Policy
- 3. More than £250 for a claim under this policy.
- 4. Any claim for **Your Excess** in respect of any claim **You** make for damage or loss to a trailer
- Any contribution to or deduction from the settlement of Your Motor Claim other than the Excess under Your Motor Insurance Policy
- 6. Where any third party has reimbursed **You** and made good **Your Excess**
- 7. Where **You** accept liability by agreement or contract
- Any amount for Your Excess in respect of any claim You make under Your Motor Insurance Policy solely in respect of glass repair or replacement; personal effects, audio visual equipment (such as mobile phones, televisions, screens, satellite navigation systems, CD/cassette player, radios etc.).
- 9. Any claim arising out of the use of the **Motor Vehicle** by **You** for racing, rallies, trials or competitions of any kind
- 10. Any theft or malicious damage claim which has not been reported to the Police and has not been given a "crime incident number"
- 11. Any claim that arises out of **Your** unlawful use of drink or drugs
- 12. Any claim in respect of any dispute arising from or involving:

(a) Ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from an irradiated nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel

(b) The radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof

(c) Riot, civil commotion, war, invasion, acts of foreign enemy, hostilities, (whether war is declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or usurped power or confiscation or nationalisation or requisition of or damage to property by or under the order of any government

# CONDITIONS

- Cover is provided where Your Motor Vehicle is used only for social, domestic and pleasure purposes and Class 1 business use by You and a Named Driver(s)
- 2. Your name must be the lead name on Your Motor Insurance Policy
- 3. Any claim must be reported to us within 30 days of settlement of Your Motor Claim being made by Your Motor Insurer
- 4. No payment will be made under this Policy unless Your Motor Insurer has settled a Motor Claim
- 5. In the event that any misrepresentation or concealment is made by You or on Your behalf in obtaining this insurance or Your Motor Insurance Policy or in support of any claim under this insurance or Your Motor Insurance Policy, or if You make a claim under this Policy or Your Motor Insurance Policy that is false or fraudulent the policy will be voided from the time of the fraudulent event and no refund of premium will be given

- 6. You must maintain a Motor Insurance Policy at all times during the Period of Insurance of this policy
- Irrespective of the commencement date of this policy, after commencement it is to run concurrently with Your Motor Insurance Policy and to end on the same date as Your Motor Insurance Policy
- 8. In the event that **Your Motor Insurance Policy** is cancelled for any reason whatsoever, this policy will be cancelled automatically
- You must agree to Us trying to recover any payments made to You under this policy in Your name and any payments recovered must be paid to Us
- 10. If You are covered by any other insurance for Your Excess and which has resulted in a valid claim under this policy, We will only pay Our share of the claim
- 11. You must take reasonable steps to safeguard against loss or additional exposure to loss
- 12. You must keep to the terms of this policy

## CLAIMS

To make a claim under this policy, **You** must call our Claims Department on **0190 423 8281** and the **Coverholder** will deal with **Your** claim on **Our** behalf. Before **We** consider how **We** will settle **Your** claim **We** must have receipt of the following supporting documentation (whichever **We** request and consider is applicable):

- (a) Copy of Your Motor Insurance Policy
- (b) Copy of **Your** settlement offer letter from **Your Motor** Insurer showing any Excess applicable
- (c) Full breakdown of repairs from Your Motor Insurer
- (d) Copy of Your Excess receipt from the repairers
- (e) Copy of the letter from **Your Motor Insurer** attaching their settlement cheque

Failure to provide ALL requested documentation will delay and may jeopardise **Your** claim.

## **CANCELLATION PROVISIONS**

**You** may cancel this policy within 14 days of purchasing the cover with a full refund of the insurance premium paid providing **You** have not made a claim which has been accepted under this policy.

You may cancel this policy at any time by giving at least 21 days' written notice to **Us**. **We** will refund part of the premium for the unexpired period unless You have notified a claim which has been accepted by **Us** under this policy in which case no return of premium shall be allowed. If **We** have not accepted a claim under this policy, the amount of premium **We** will refund will be calculated as 1/365th of the premium paid for each day that remains unexpired together with a maximum administration fee of £15.

We may cancel this policy at any time by giving at least 21 days' written notice to You. We will refund part of the premium paid for the unexpired period based on the calculation above.

#### COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

We always aim to provide a first class service. However, if You have any complaint, please notify the Coverholder at:

Arc Legal Assistance Ltd PO Box 8921 Colchester CO4 5YD Tel: 01206 615000 Email: customerservice@arclegal.co.uk

The **Coverholder** will contact **You** within five days of receiving your complaint to inform **You** of what action is being taken. **The Coverholder** will try to resolve the problem and give **You** an answer within four weeks. If it will take longer than four weeks the **Coverholder** will tell **You** when **You** can expect an answer.

If **Your** complaint remains unresolved after eight weeks, **You** may request that the Financial Ombudsman Service review the case provided that the complaint falls within its jurisdiction. They are able to review complaints from "eligible complainants" and further information can be found on their website. The address is: Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR Telephone number 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9 123. Website: <u>www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk</u>

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. This depends upon the type of business and circumstances of the claim. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS at: Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU Tel: 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100

If **You** take any of the action mentioned above it will not affect **Your** right to take legal action.

#### **Privacy and Data Protection Notice**

(For the purpose of this Privacy and Data Protection Notice only, 'We' means Arc Legal Assistance and the Insurer)

#### **Data Protection**

We will keep your personal information safe and private. There are laws that protect Your privacy and We follow them carefully. Under the laws, We are the company responsible for handling Your information (Data Controller). Here is a simple explanation of how We use Your personal information. For more information visit AmTrust's website at <a href="https://amtrustinternational.com/dpn">https://amtrustinternational.com/dpn</a> or Arc's website at www.arclegal.co.uk

#### What we do with your personal information

We might need to use the information We have about You for different reasons.

For example, We might need it:

- to run through **Our** computerised system to decide if **We** can offer **You** this insurance.
- to help You if You have any queries or want to make a claim.
- to provide You with information, products or services if You ask Us to.
- for research or statistics.

We will need it:

- to provide this insurance.
- to contact You to ask if You want to renew it.
- to protect both **You** and **Us** against fraud and money laundering.
- to comply with the law and any regulations that apply.

There are some types of personal information that are extremely private/ sensitive and important such as information about **Your** health or any criminal convictions **You** might have. **We** might

need this kind of information to decide if **We** can offer **You** this insurance or to help **You** with a claim. **We** will only use this information for these specific reasons and in line with regulatory conditions.

We might need to share Your information with other companies or people who provide a service to Us, or to You on Our behalf. They include companies that are part of Our group, people We work with, insurance brokers, Our agents, reinsurers, credit agencies, medical professionals, insurance reference bureaus, fraud detection agencies, regulatory authorities and anyone else We might need to share it with by law. We will only share Your information with them if We need to and if it is allowed by law.

Sometimes **We** might need to send **your** information to another country outside of the UK and the EEA (European Economic Area) so that it can be processed, (stored etc). We currently send it to the USA and Israel. **We** make sure that **Your** information is always kept safely and treated in line with the law and this notice.

You can tell Us if You do not want Us to use Your information for marketing. You can also ask us to provide You with the information We have about You and, if there are any mistakes or updates, You can ask Us to correct them. You can also ask Us to delete Your information (although there are somethings We cannot delete). You can also ask Us to give Your information to someone else involved in Your insurance. If You think We did something wrong with Your information, You can complain to the local data protection authority.

We will not keep Your information longer than We need to. We will usually keep it for 10 years after Your insurance ends unless We have to keep it longer for other business or regulatory reasons

If **You** have any questions about how **We** use **Your** information, **You** can contact **Our** Data Protection Officer.

## **Fraudulent Claims**

1) If the **Insured Person** makes a fraudulent claim under this insurance contract, **We**:

- a) Are not liable to pay the claim; and
- b) May recover from the Insured Person any sums paid by
- Us to the Insured Person in respect of the claim; and

c) May by notice to the **Insured Person** treat the contract as having been terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.

2) If **We** exercise **Our** right under clause (1)(c) above:

a) We will not be liable to the Insured Person in respect

of a relevant event occurring after the time of the fraudulent act. A relevant event is whatever gives rise to the **Our** liability under the insurance contract (such as the occurrence of a loss, the making of a claim, or the notification of a potential claim); and, b) **We** need not return any of the premiums paid.

**Conditions Precedents** 

If the **Insured Person** breaches a condition precedent in this insurance contract, **Our** liability under the contract shall be suspended from the time of the breach until the time when the breach is remedied (if it is capable of being remedied). **We** will have no liability to the **Insured Person** for any loss which occurs, or which is attributable to something happening, during the period when **Our** liability is suspended.

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www.fca.org.uk/register or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on 0800 111 6768.