

Welcome...

to Covéa Insurance

Thank you for choosing Covéa Insurance.

This is **Your** Business Combined for Offices and Surgeries policy. It sets out the details of **Your** insurance contract with **Us**.

Your premium has been calculated upon the information shown in the policy **Schedule** and recorded in **Your Statement of Fact**.

Please read the policy and **Schedule** carefully to ensure that the cover meets **Your** requirements.

Please contact **Your** broker if **You** have any questions or if **You** wish to make any adjustments.

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Introduction

About Your Policy

The parts of the policy are:

1. the **Statement of Fact**
2. the **Schedule** which confirms the Sections of cover that are insured and any endorsement(s)
3. this policy wording which contains:
 - (a) this Introduction, Customer Information, General Definitions, General Conditions, Claims Conditions and General Exclusions all of which apply to all Sections of the policy unless stated otherwise
 - (b) the Sections of cover provided including the Section Definitions, Extensions, Conditions and Exclusions.

Any word or expression given a specific meaning in:

1. the **Schedule**, any policy Endorsement(s), this Introduction, the Customer Information and the General Definitions, Conditions and Exclusions shall have the same meaning throughout the policy unless **We** state otherwise
2. an individual Section or any Section endorsement(s) shall only have the same meaning throughout such Section or endorsement unless **We** state otherwise.

Any such word or expression given a specific meaning shall be highlighted with a leading capital letter and in bold text within the policy wording.

In return for **You** having paid or agreed to pay the premium for the **Period of Insurance**, **We** will indemnify **You**, subject to the terms contained in or endorsed on the policy, in respect of loss **Damage** or liability or pay other benefits which fall within the operative Sections of this policy, provided that the loss, **Damage** or injury which gives rise to the claim occurs (or in the case of the Employers' Liability Section is caused) during the **Period of Insurance** and in connection with the **Business**.

IMPORTANT

This policy is a legal contract.

You have a duty to make a fair presentation of the risk which is covered by this policy. Therefore **You** should ensure that any information **You** have provided to **Us** and the content of any application form, declaration and / or **Statement of Fact** is accurate and complete. Where **You** have provided **Us** with information which relates to matters of **Your** expectation or belief, it does not matter if such information turns out to be inaccurate provided that **You** acted in good faith when **You** provided **Us** with such information. If **You** do not comply with **Your** duty to make a fair presentation of the risk, **Your** policy may not be valid or the policy may not cover **You** fully or at all.

You must also tell **Us** about any facts or changes which affect **Your** insurance and which have occurred either since the policy started or since the last renewal date.

If **You** are not sure whether certain facts are relevant please ask **Your** broker. If **You** do not tell **Us** about relevant changes, **Your** policy may not be valid or the policy may not cover **You** fully or at all.

You should keep a written record (including copies of letters) of any information **You** give **Us** or **Your** broker.

Customer Information

Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline

0333 130 4566

How to make a Claim

Should **You** be unfortunate enough to have to make a claim, Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline will manage all aspects of the claim for **You** from the time it is reported.

Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline is a service operated 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

You can notify **Us** of a claim by:

Telephone: **0333 130 4566**

Calls may be recorded for training and evidential purposes.

Email: claimspost@coveainsurance.co.uk

Post: **Covéa Insurance Commercial Careline, 50 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JX**

Staff trained in managing commercial claims will:

- take details of **Your** claim over the phone, in most cases removing the need for completion of an incident report form
- take control of the management of **Your** claim from start to finish.

Our aim is to bring **Your** claim to a satisfactory conclusion.

If **Your** policy includes the Commercial Legal Expenses Section please refer to that Section of the policy for details about Making a Claim.

If **Your** policy includes the Cyber Section please refer to that Section of the policy for details about Making a Claim.

Helplines

To take advantage of the following services please telephone **0330 024 2364** and quote **T55/6911368**.

To help **Us** check and improve **Our** service standards, **We** may record all inbound and outbound calls, except those to the counselling service.

Legal Advice Helpline

As a Covéa Insurance **Policyholder** should **You** require advice on any **Business** legal problem, **You** may use the 24 hour telephone helpline at any time within the **Period of Insurance** of this policy.

This service is provided for **Your** benefit by DAS Law Limited and/or a Preferred Law Firm on behalf of DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company. These services are provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, however they may need to arrange to call **You** back depending on **Your** enquiry.

Euro Legal Advice Helpline

This will give **You** confidential legal advice over the phone on any commercial legal problem affecting **Your Business**, under the laws of the member countries of the European Union, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Switzerland and Norway.

Wherever possible the Legal Advice Helpline aims to provide immediate advice from a qualified legal advisor. However, if this is not possible they will arrange a call back at a time to suit **You**.

The Legal Advisors provide advice on the laws of England and Wales 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Where advice is sought in an area of law beyond this jurisdiction or in respect of very specialist matters, they will refer **You** to one of their specialist advisors. This will include European law and certain areas of law for Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Specialist advice is provided 9am - 5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding bank holidays. If calls are made outside these times, they will call **You** back.

Tax Advice Helpline

This will give **You** confidential advice over the 'phone on any tax matters affecting **Your Business**, under the laws of the United Kingdom. This is provided by tax advisors 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding bank holidays. If calls are made outside these times, they will call **You** back.

Business Assistance

In the event of an unforeseen emergency affecting **Your Premises** which causes damage or potential danger, **DAS** will contact a suitable repairer or contractor and arrange assistance on **Your** behalf. All costs of assistance provided are **Your** responsibility.

Telephone: **0117 934 0192**

Counselling

This will provide **Your Employees** (and any members of their immediate family who permanently live with them) with a confidential counselling service over the phone if they are aged 18 or over (or aged between 16 and 18 and in full-time employment). This includes, where appropriate, onward referral to relevant voluntary and/or professional services. Any costs arising from the use of these referral services will not be paid by **DAS**. The counselling service helpline is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Telephone: **0330 134 8165**

These calls are not recorded.

DAS will not accept responsibility if the Helpline Services fail for reasons they cannot control.

Customer Information

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Important Information

Choice of Law

The parties to an insurance contract are free to choose the law that will apply. Unless **We** agree in writing with **You** otherwise, this insurance shall be subject to the law applying in that part of the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or Isle of Man where **You** have **Your** principal place of business. If there is any dispute, the law of England and Wales shall apply.

How to make a Complaint

It is always **Our** intention to provide a first class standard of service. However **We** do appreciate that occasionally things go wrong. In some cases the broker who arranged **Your** insurance will be able to resolve any concerns, particularly if **Your** complaint relates to the way the policy was sold, and **You** should contact them directly.

Alternatively please contact **Us** using the following details quoting **Your** policy or claim number.

Customer Relations

Covéa Insurance

Norman Place

Reading

Berkshire RG1 8DA

Telephone: **0330 221 0444**

Calls may be recorded for training and evidential purposes.

Website: www.coveainsurance.co.uk

Email: customer.relations-rdg@coveainsurance.co.uk

Full details of the Covéa Insurance Internal Complaints Procedure are detailed in **Our** leaflet 'Complaints Procedure' which is available on request or may be downloaded from **Our** website at www.coveainsurance.co.uk/complaints.

If **Your** policy includes the Commercial Legal Expenses Section please refer to that Section of the policy for details on How to Make a Complaint.

Financial Ombudsman Service

You may be eligible to refer **Your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. There are a few instances where they will not be able to assist and they will confirm if **Your** complaint is eligible when **You** contact them. Their contact details are:

Financial Ombudsman Service

Exchange Tower

London E14 9SR

Telephone: **0800 023 4567**

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

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

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

Covéa Insurance is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. **You**/an **Insured Person** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if **We** are unable to meet **Our** liabilities under this insurance.

Further information is available from the:

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

10th Floor

Beaufort House

15 St Botolph Street

London EC3A 7QU.

Telephone: **020 7741 4100**

Website: www.fscs.org.uk

Email: enquiries@fscs.org.uk

How We Use Your Information

Please visit www.coveainsurance.co.uk/dataprotection for further information about how and when **We** process **Your** personal information under **Our** full Privacy Policy.

The personal information, provided by **You**, is collected by or on behalf of Covea Insurance plc ('we, us, our') and may be used by **Us**, **Our** employees, agents and service providers acting under **Our** instruction for the purposes of insurance administration, underwriting, claims handling, for research or for statistical purposes.

We may process **Your** information for a number of different purposes. For each purpose **We** must have a legal ground for such processing. When the information that **We** process is classed as "sensitive personal information", **We** must have a specific additional legal ground for such processing.

Generally, **We** will rely on the following legal grounds:

- It is necessary for **Us** to process **Your** personal information to provide **Your** insurance policy and services. **We** will rely on this for activities such as assessing **Your** application, managing **Your** insurance policy, handling claims and providing other services to **You**.
- **We** have an appropriate business need to process **Your** personal information and such business need does not cause harm to **You**. **We** will rely on this for activities such as maintaining **Our** business records and developing, improving **Our** products and services.
- **We** have a legal or regulatory obligation to use such personal information.
- **We** need to use such personal information to establish, exercise or defend **Our** legal rights.
- **You** have provided **Your** consent to **Our** use of **Your** personal information, including sensitive personal information.

How We Share Your Information

In order to sell, manage and provide **Our** products and services, prevent fraud and comply with legal and regulatory requirements, **We** may need to share **Your** information with the following third parties, including:

- Reinsurers, Regulators and Authorised/Statutory Bodies
- Credit reference agencies
- Fraud prevention agencies
- Crime prevention agencies, including the police
- Suppliers carrying out a service on **Our**, or **Your** behalf
- Product providers where you've opted to buy additional cover
- Other insurers, business partners and agents
- Other companies within the Covea Insurance Group

Customer Information

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Marketing

We will not use **Your** information or pass it on to any other person for the purposes of marketing further products or services to **You** unless **You** have consented to this.

Fraud Prevention and Detection

In order to prevent or detect fraud and money laundering **We** will check **Your** details with various fraud prevention agencies, who may record a search. Searches may also be made against other insurers' databases. If fraud is suspected, information will be shared with those insurers. Other users of the fraud prevention agencies may use this information in their own decision making processes.

We may also conduct credit reference checks in certain circumstances. **You** can find further details in **Our** full Privacy Policy explaining how the information held by fraud prevention agencies may be used or in which circumstances **We** conduct credit reference checks and how these checks might affect **Your** credit rating.

Automated Decisions

We may use automated tools with decision making to assess **Your** application for insurance and for claims handling processes, such as price rating tools, flood, theft and subsidence area checks and credit checks.

These automated decisions will produce a result on whether **We** are able to offer insurance, the appropriate price for **Your** policy or whether **We** can accept **Your** claim. If **You** object to an automated decision, **We** may not be able to offer **You** an insurance quotation or renewal.

How to Contact Us

Please contact **Us** if **You** have any questions about **Our** Privacy Policy or the information **We** hold about **You**:

The Data Protection Officer,
Covea Insurance plc,
50 Kings Hill Avenue,
Kings Hill,
West Malling,
Kent ME19 4JX

or email: dataprotection@coveainsurance.co.uk.

Employers' Liability Tracing Office

If **Your** policy provides Employers' Liability cover information relating to **Your** insurance policy will be provided to the Employers' Liability Tracing Office (the "ELTO") and added to an electronic database, (the "Database") in a format set out by the Employers' Liability Insurance: Disclosure by Insurers Instrument 2010.

The Database assists individual consumers (the Claimants) who have suffered an employment related injury or disease arising out of their course of employment in the UK whilst working for employers carrying on, or who carried on, business in the UK and who are covered by the employers' liability insurance of their employers to identify:

- which insurer (or insurers) was (or were) providing employers' liability cover during the relevant periods of employment; and
- the relevant employers' liability insurance policies.

The Database and the data stored on it may be accessed and used by the Claimants, their appointed representatives, insurers with potential liability for UK commercial lines employers' liability insurance cover and any other persons or entities permitted by law.

The Database will be managed by the ELTO and further information can be found on the ELTO website: www.elto.org.uk

Registration and Regulatory Information

This insurance is provided by Covea Insurance plc. Registered in England and Wales No. 613259.

Registered office:

Norman Place
Reading
Berkshire RG1 8DA.

Covea Insurance plc is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Our Firm Reference Number is 202277.

You can check **Our** regulatory status on the Financial Services Register by visiting the Financial Conduct Authority's website www.fca.org.uk/register or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on **0800 111 6768**.

General Definitions

Each Section of the policy contains Definitions which apply to that particular Section and they must be read in conjunction with the following General Definitions.

Bodily Injury

Death, injury, illness, disease or shock.

Buildings

The Building or Buildings stated in the **Schedule** for which **You** are legally responsible including:

1. outbuildings
2. permanent fixtures and fittings including alarm systems
3. foundations, extensions, annexes, gangways, conveniences and sub-stations
4. car parks, driveways, paths, steps, roadways and yards
5. walls, gates and fences
6. piping, ducting, cabling and control gear
7. fuel tanks, telephone, gas, water and electric meters, fibre optic or integrated services, digital network lines
8. sanitary ware, fixed glass, fanlights, skylights and partitions, solar panels and wind turbines
9. air conditioning and central heating systems
10. underground services.

Business

The Business stated in the **Schedule** conducted solely within the **Territorial Limits** including:

1. the ownership repair and maintenance of the **Premises**
2. the provision of first aid, medical and ambulance fire, security services
3. private work undertaken by any **Employee** with **Your** prior consent for any director, partner, senior official or other **Employee of Yours**
4. the provision and management of canteen, sports, social and welfare organisations by **You** for the benefit of **Your Employees**
5. **Your** participation in exhibitions.

Business Hours

The period during which the **Premises** are occupied by **You** or **Your** authorised **Employees** for the purposes of the **Business**.

Damage

Accidental loss, destruction or damage unless otherwise excluded.

Defined Peril

1. Fire
2. Lightning
3. Explosion
4. Aircraft or other aerial devices or articles dropped therefrom
5. Earthquake
6. Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances
7. Malicious persons other than thieves
8. Theft

9. Storm
10. Flood
11. Escape of water from any tank apparatus or pipe
12. Escape of oil from any fixed heating installation
13. Impact including by any road vehicle or animal.

Employee

Any person working under **Your** control in connection with the **Business** who is:

1. under a contract of service or apprenticeship with **You**
2. a person under a contract of service or apprenticeship with some other employer and who is hired to or borrowed by **You**
3. a labour master or labour only sub-contractor or person supplied by them
4. a self-employed person providing labour only
5. a trainee or person undergoing work experience, training, study or exchange scheme
6. a voluntary helper.

Europe

The **Territorial Limits**, any member country of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

Excess

The amount stated in this policy the **Schedule** or any Endorsement for which **You** will be responsible and which will be deducted from each and every claim.

Intruder Alarm Installation

The component parts of the alarm including the means of communication used to transmit signals.

Money

Current currency, crossed and uncrossed bankers drafts, national giro drafts and payment orders, postal and money orders, dividend warrants and cheques other than pre-signed blank cheques, travellers cheques, national savings stamps and certificates, bus and rail travel cards and passes, telephone cards, current postage stamps and unused postal franking machine units, luncheon vouchers, gift tokens, trading stamps, national insurance stamps and stamped or impressed national insurance cards, holiday with pay stamps, premium bonds, VAT purchase invoices, credit card, cheque card and debit card sales vouchers, savings stamps, consumer redemption vouchers and National Lottery 'Instants' and other scratch cards, all pertaining to the **Business** and belonging to **You** or for which **You** are legally responsible.

Overnight

Between the hours of 21.00 and 06.00.

Period of Insurance

Period of Insurance stated in the **Schedule** and any subsequent period for which **We** have accepted a renewal premium.

Pollution or Contamination

1. All pollution or contamination of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere and
2. All **Bodily Injury** or **Damage** directly or indirectly caused by such pollution or contamination.

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Premises

The **Buildings** and the land inside the boundary of the risk address stated in the **Schedule** occupied by **You** for the purpose of the **Business**.

Products

Any goods, including containers, packaging, labelling and instructions for use, sold, supplied, processed, delivered, installed, tested, repaired, serviced, altered, treated or hired out by **You** in connection with the **Business** and no longer in **Your** possession or control.

Property Insured

1. **Buildings**
 2. Computer Equipment
 3. Contents
 4. Stock
 5. Specified Stock
 6. Tenants Improvements
 7. or any other property
- as specified in the **Schedule**.

Schedule

The document that specifies **Your** details, the **Premises**, the **Property Insured** and any **Excess**, Endorsement(s) and Conditions applicable. The **Schedule** shows the Sections of the policy that are operative.

Statement of Fact

This is a record of the information that **You** provided to **Us** about **You** and **Your Business** upon which **Your** insurance cover and premium is based.

Territorial Limits

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings

Buildings or part thereof that have become unoccupied, untenanted or which have not been actively used for a period of more than 30 days.

Vehicle

Any road vehicle including trailers and containers.

We/Us/Our

Covea Insurance plc.

Working Day of the Driver

The period in any day during which a **Vehicle** is being used for purposes in connection with the **Business**.

You/Your/Policyholder

The person(s) or Company named in the **Schedule**.

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General Conditions

The following General Conditions shall apply to all Sections of this policy unless stated otherwise.

1. Acts of Parliament and Statutory Instruments

All legal instruments and rules referred to in this policy include any subsequent amendments or re-enactments of those Acts and any equivalent legislation which is enforceable within the **Territorial Limits**.

2. Alteration in Risk

You or **Your** broker must tell **Us** immediately if during the **Period of Insurance** there is any alteration in risk or to the facts which **You** disclosed when **You** took out this policy, which materially affects the risk of injury, loss, **Damage** or liability which would fall within the policy cover. This includes but is not limited to alterations to the **Business** or the **Premises**.

When **You** tell **Us** about an alteration in risk, **We** may apply additional terms and conditions to this policy (including but not limited to premium) or, if the risk is unacceptable to **Us**, **We** may cancel the policy in accordance with General Condition 4 (b) - Our Rights to Cancel the Policy.

If **You** fail to tell **Us** about an alteration in risk, **We** may:

- (a) terminate the policy back to the date when the alteration occurred, if **We** would have cancelled the policy had **You** told **Us** of the alteration in risk;
- (b) proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim; and/or
- (c) treat the policy as if it contained such different terms (other than relating to the premium) that **We** would have applied to the policy had **You** told **Us** of the alteration in risk.

Any reduction in claims payments or application of different terms will take effect from the date on which the alteration in risk occurred.

Where **We** elect to proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim, **We** will pay a percentage of the claim, the percentage being calculated by comparing the premium which **You** actually paid with the premium which **We** would have charged had **You** told us about the alteration in risk. For example, if the premium which **You** actually paid is 70% of the premium **We** would have charged, **We** will only pay 70% of any claim.

3. Average

(not applicable to Equipment Breakdown Section and Cyber Section if insured by this policy)

If at the time of any loss the total sum insured specified in the **Schedule** is less than 85% of the total value of the **Property Insured** **We** shall bear only that proportion of the loss which the total sum insured bears to the total of the **Property Insured**.

4. Cancellation

(a) Your Rights to the Cancel the Policy

You may cancel this policy at any time from the date it begins or from the date **You** receive this policy document and **Schedule**, whichever is the later, returning the policy document and **Schedule** to **Your** broker. If cover has not yet started **You** will receive a full refund of the premium. If cover has started **We** will refund the premium for the exact number of days left on the policy. No refund will be given if a claim has been submitted or there have been any incidents likely to give rise to a claim during the current **Period of Insurance**.

(b) Our Rights to Cancel the Policy

We or any agent appointed by **Us** and acting with **Our** authority have the right to cancel **Your** policy, where there is a valid reason for doing so.

We will give **You** fourteen days notice of cancellation in writing, by recorded delivery, to the latest address **We** have for **You** and will set out **Our** reason for cancellation in **Our** letter. Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

- (i) not
 - paying a premium when it is due
 - co-operating with **Us**, or sending **Us** information or documentation that materially affects **Our** ability to process the policy or **Our** ability to defend **Our** interests
 - taking all reasonable precautions to prevent or minimise **Damage** accident or injury as required by General Condition 10. Reasonable Precautions of this policy and failing to put this right when **We** ask **You** to by sending **You** seven days written notice to **Your** latest address.
- (ii) use of threatening or abusive behaviour or language, or intimidation or bullying of **Our** staff or suppliers.

If **We** cancel **Your** policy, **We** will refund the premium for the exact number of days left on the policy unless a claim or an incident likely to give rise to a claim has occurred during the current **Period of Insurance**. No refund will be given if a claim has been submitted or there have been any incidents likely to give rise to a claim during the current **Period of Insurance**.

If **You** are paying by monthly instalments:

- (a) all outstanding monies must be paid to **Us** as described in **Your** Loan Agreement
- (b) **We** may exercise **Our** right to collect the balance of any outstanding premium in the event of a claim.

5. Change of Risk or Interest

This policy shall be avoided if:

- (a) **Your** interest ceases other than by death
- (b) the **Business** be wound up or carried on by a liquidator or receiver or permanently discontinued at any time after the commencement of this insurance unless **We** have accepted the change.

Nothing contained in this policy shall give any right against **Us** to any person other than **You** except to a transferee approved by **Us**.

6. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

7. Fair Presentation of the Risk

You must make a fair presentation of the risk when **You** first take out this policy and also whenever **You** renew it or ask **Us** to change **Your** cover.

If **You** fail to make a fair presentation of the risk including failing to disclose or misrepresenting a material fact, or disclosing material facts to **Us** in a way which is not clear and accessible **We** may avoid this policy and refuse all claims where:

General Conditions

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- (a) such failure was deliberate or reckless; or
- (b) **We** would not have entered into this policy on any terms had **You** made a fair presentation of the risk.

Should **We** avoid this policy **We**:

- (a) shall treat the policy as if it had not existed from the start date, the renewal date, or the date when **You** asked **Us** to change **Your** cover, depending on when the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk occurred
- (b) shall return the premium paid for the period for which the policy is treated as not having existed unless the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk was deliberate or reckless
- (c) may deduct from any return of premium due to **You** any monies already paid in respect of claims falling within the period for which the policy is treated as not having existed or require **You** to repay such claims.

Provided that any failure to make a fair presentation of the risk is not deliberate or reckless, if **We** would have entered into or renewed this policy, or agreed to make changes to **Your** cover on different terms had **You** made a fair presentation of the risk, **We** may:

- (a) proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim; and/or
- (b) treat the policy as if it contained such different terms (other than relating to the premium) that **We** would have applied to the policy had **You** made a fair presentation of the risk.

Any reduction in claims payments or application of different terms will take effect from the date on which the policy started, was renewed or when changes were made to **Your** cover, depending on when **You** failed to make a fair presentation of the risk.

Where **We** elect to proportionately reduce the amount payable in respect of a claim, **We** will pay a percentage of the claim, the percentage being calculated by comparing the premium which **You** actually paid with the premium which **We** would have charged had **You** made a fair presentation of the risk. For example, if the premium which **You** actually paid is 70% of the premium **We** would have charged, **We** will only pay 70% of any claim.

Where this policy provides benefits to individuals who would, if they had taken out similar insurance in their own name, have done so for purposes wholly or mainly unconnected with their trade, business or profession, **We** will not rely on this condition if the failure to make a fair presentation of the risk concerns only facts or information which relate to that particular individual, unless the individual (or **You** on their behalf) makes a careless misrepresentation, in which case **We** may rely on this condition as against that particular individual as if a separate insurance contract had been issued to them leaving the remainder of the policy unaffected.

8. Instalments

If **You** have a Loan Agreement with Covéa Insurance to pay for **Your** insurance it is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that payments shall be made in line with the Loan Agreement otherwise all benefit under the policy shall be forfeited and the policy shall be cancelled as outlined in **Your** Loan Agreement.

9. Other interests

The interests of third parties which **You** are required to include on this policy under the terms of any mortgage, property lease or hiring leasing or hire purchase agreement are automatically deemed to be covered subject to **You** advising **Us** at the time of notification of any claim.

10. Reasonable Precautions

You must:

- (a) take all reasonable precautions to prevent or minimise **Damage**, accident or **Bodily Injury**
- (b) maintain the **Premises**, machinery equipment and furnishings in a good state of repair
- (c) exercise due care in the selection and supervision of **Employees**
- (d) comply with all relevant statutory requirements, manufacturers' recommendations and other regulations relating to the use, inspection and safety of property and the safety of persons.

11. Reinstatement of Sum Insured

We will in the event of **Damage** under this policy automatically reinstate the sum insured unless there is written notice by **Us** to the contrary, provided that:

- (a) **You** undertake to pay the appropriate additional premium
- (b) **You** immediately implement any recommendations **We** make to prevent further **Damage** and effect all repair or replacement work without delay.

12. Security

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability for any claim resulting from fire, theft or malicious damage, that **You** must at all times ensure that:

- (a) security devices are put into full and effective operation whenever the **Premises** are closed for **Business** or left unattended
- (b) keys and all details of any codes or combinations relating to any part of the **Intruder Alarm Installation** and any safe or strongroom are removed from the **Premises** whenever the **Premises** are closed for **Business** or left unattended
- (c) fire break doors and shutters in the **Buildings** are maintained in efficient working order and that the openings protected by such doors and shutters are kept clear of obstruction at all times and that all such doors and shutters other than those fitted with fusible links are kept closed except during **Business Hours**
- (d) alterations or additions to or changes in or removal of security devices are advised to **Us** immediately.

13. Survey

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability under this policy that **You** shall comply with any risk improvements required by **Us** following a survey within the timescales specified.

We retain the right to cancel suspend or alter the terms of the insurance provided by this policy should the survey show the risk or any part thereof to be unacceptable to **Us** requiring improvement.

14. Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that where there are **Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings** **You** will notify **Us**:

- (a) immediately **You** become aware that the **Buildings** are **Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings**
- (b) of any **Damage** to the **Vacant or Unoccupied Buildings** whether such **Damage** is insured or not
- (c) that the **Buildings** are to be occupied by contractors for renovation, alteration or conversion purposes.

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The following action must be implemented by **You**:

- (i) an internal and external inspection of the **Buildings** every 7 days by **You** or an authorised representative and a written record of such inspections maintained
- (ii) all trade refuse and waste materials are removed from the interior of the **Buildings** and no accumulation of refuse and waste be allowed in the adjoining yards or spaces owned by **You**
- (iii) the **Buildings** must be secured against unlawful entry and all locks bolts and other protective devices in full operation
- (iv) all ground floor window openings must be securely fastened and if specified by **Us** in writing boarded up in accordance with **Our** requirements
- (v) ensure all letterboxes are sealed to prevent insertion of material
- (vi) all sources of power fuel or water are turned off and the water system drained down other than:
 - where electricity is needed to maintain any fire or **Intruder Alarm Installation** in operation
 - where the **Buildings** are protected by a wet sprinkler installation to provide sufficient heat to prevent freezing or bursting of the sprinkler installation.

In the event of any breach of security of the **Buildings**, malicious damage or any evidence of unlawful entry or attempted entry to the **Buildings You** will immediately:

- (a) carry out the necessary work to satisfy the above requirements
- (b) notify **Us**.

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Claims Conditions

All of the following Claims Conditions apply in addition to any Claims Conditions contained in the Sections of this policy.

1. Claims Procedure

It is a condition precedent to **Our** liability that following an incident that may result in a claim under this policy:

- (a) **You** must advise the police as soon as reasonably possible if there has been a theft, attempted theft, riot damage, vandalism or any malicious act or if any **Property Insured** has been lost outside the **Premises**
- (b) **You** must notify **Us**:
 - (i) within 28 days of the event in the case of **Damage** caused by riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons
 - (ii) immediately:
 - in respect of all other claims
 - of any impending prosecution
 - of any inquest or fatal accident inquiry
- (c) **You** must provide **Us** with all documentation relating to any accident, claim, prosecution or court proceedings which must be sent to **Us** immediately, unacknowledged
- (d) **You** must not admit or repudiate liability without **Our** written consent
- (e) **You** must provide at **Your** own expense all details and evidence **We** may reasonably require
- (f) **You** must take all reasonable steps to mitigate the extent of any **Damage**
- (g) **We** are entitled to enter any building where **Damage** to **Property Insured** by this policy has occurred and to take possession of and deal with any salvage in a reasonable manner. No property may be abandoned to **Us**.

2. Fraudulent Claims

For the purposes of this Condition the definition of 'You / Your' will also include any person who is entitled to benefit from the policy to the extent that a claim is made by or on their behalf.

If **You** or anyone acting on **Your** behalf makes a claim which is in any way fraudulent **We**:

- (a) will not pay the claim
- (b) may recover from **You** any sums already paid by **Us** in respect of the claim; and
- (c) may notify **You** that **We** are treating this policy as having terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.

If **We** do treat this policy as having terminated **You** will have no cover under this policy from the date of termination and will not be entitled to any refund of premium.

Where a fraudulent claim is made by or on behalf of a person who is not the **Policyholder** this condition applies only to that person's claim and references to 'this policy' should be read as if they were references to the cover for that person alone and not to the policy as a whole.

Fraudulent claims include but are not limited to:

- (a) making a claim which is fraudulent, fictitious or known to be false
- (b) intentionally exaggerating or inflating a claim
- (c) supporting a claim with false or forged documents, information or statements
- (d) wilfully causing loss, **Damage** or injury.

3. Other Insurances

If **Damage** which is the subject of a claim under this policy is covered by any other insurance **We** will only pay **Our** rateable proportion of the claim.

4. Subrogation

We will be entitled to undertake in **Your** name or on **Your** behalf:

- (a) the defence or settlement of any claim
- (b) steps to enforce rights against any other party before or after payment is made by **Us**.

5. Terms not Relevant to Actual Loss

If payment of a claim is conditional upon compliance with any term of this policy **We** will not pay for any claim where the term has not been complied with except where the term concerned:

- (a) is operative only in connection with particular premises or locations;
- (b) is operative only at particular times; or
- (c) is intended to reduce the risk of particular types of injury, loss, **Damage** or liability

where **We** will pay for claims in respect of which **You** can prove that non-compliance with the term could not have increased the risk of the injury, loss, **Damage** or liability which occurred.

General Exclusions

The following General Exclusions apply to all Sections unless otherwise stated and in addition to the Exclusions contained in each Section.

This policy does not cover:

1. War Government Action and Terrorism

- (a) **Damage** to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any other costs directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:
- (i) **War Government Action** or **Terrorism**
 - (ii) civil commotion in Northern Ireland.
- (b) Legal liability of whatsoever nature or any costs or expenses whatsoever directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from **War Government Action** or **Terrorism** except to the extent stated in the Liability Provisions.

For the purpose of this Exclusion and its Liability Provisions:

War shall mean war invasion acts of foreign enemies hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not) civil war mutiny civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to popular rising military rising insurrection rebellion revolution or military or usurped power.

Government Action shall mean martial law confiscation nationalisation requisition or destruction of property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority or any action taken in controlling preventing suppressing or in any way relating to war.

Terrorism shall mean acts of persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any organisation which carries out activities directed towards the overthrowing or influencing by force or violence of Her Majesty's government in the United Kingdom or any other government de jure or de facto.

In any action suit or other proceedings where **We** allege that by reason of this exclusion as far as it relates to **Terrorism** any **Damage** or resulting loss or expense or other costs directly or indirectly caused by such event is not covered by this insurance the burden of proving that such **Damage** loss or expense is covered shall be upon **You**.

Liability Provisions

Subject otherwise to the terms definitions exclusions provisions and conditions of this policy **We** will indemnify **You** under the Employers' Liability Section if insured under this policy provided that in respect of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of any one original cause **Our** liability in respect of all legal liability, costs and expenses directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from **Terrorism** shall not exceed £5,000,000.

We will indemnify **You** under the Public and Products Liability Sections if insured under this policy against legal liability, costs and expenses directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from **Terrorism** provided that **Our** liability shall not exceed:

- (a) in respect of or arising out of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of one original cause £2,000,000 or the amount of the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule** whichever is the lower but in respect of **Products** this limitation shall apply to all insured events occurring in any one **Period of Insurance**
- (b) in respect of all **Pollution or Contamination** consequent upon **Terrorism** and which is deemed to have occurred during any one **Period of Insurance** £2,000,000 in the aggregate or the amount of the Limit of Indemnity stated in the **Schedule** whichever is the lower.

2. Radioactive Contamination

Damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss or any liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from:

- (a) ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
- (b) the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any nuclear installation, reactor or other nuclear assembly or nuclear component
- (c) any weapon of war employing atomic or nuclear fission and/or fusion or other like reaction or radioactive force or matter.

As far as concerns **Bodily Injury** caused to any **Employee of Yours** if such **Bodily Injury** arises out of and in the course of employment or engagement of such person by **You** this exclusion shall apply only in respect of:

- (i) the liability of any principal
- (ii) liability assumed by **You** under agreement and which would not have attached in the absence of such agreement.

3. Sonic Bangs

Damage caused by or consisting of pressure waves caused by aircraft or other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

4. Northern Ireland

Damage and any consequential loss in Northern Ireland occasioned by or happening through or in consequence directly or indirectly of riot, civil commotion and (except in respect of **Damage** or any consequential loss by fire or explosion) strikers, locked-out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons.

5. Asbestos

(not applicable to the Employers' Liability Section if insured by this policy)

Any loss cost expense or liability for **Bodily Injury** loss or **Damage** directly or indirectly arising out of or resulting from the manufacture mining processing distribution testing remediation removal storage disposal sale use of or exposure to asbestos or materials or products containing asbestos whether or not there is another cause of loss which may have contributed concurrently or in any sequence to a loss.

6. Confiscation & Nationalisation

Confiscation nationalisation or requisition by order of any government public municipal local or customs authority.

7. Electronic Risk

(not applicable to Equipment Breakdown Section, Employers Liability Section, Public Liability Section, Products Liability Section, Personal Accident Section and Cyber Section if insured by this policy)

- (a) Erasure, loss, distortion or corruption of information on or reduction in the functionality availability or operation of any electronic equipment whether belonging to **You** or not caused by the malicious introduction or incursion of any unauthorised, unintended, undesired or unexpected program, instruction or command or any other computer or electronic virus.
- (b) The failure of any electronic equipment to recognise accept respond to or process any data or instruction.

However subsequent **Damage** which is otherwise covered by **Your** policy is nevertheless insured.

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8. Marine

Damage to property which at the time of the happening of the **Damage** is insured by any marine policy or policies (or would but for the existence of this policy) except in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would have been payable under the marine policy or policies had this policy not been effected.

9. Pollution or Contamination

(not applicable to Employers' Liability Section and Public and Products Liability Sections if insured by this policy)

Damage caused by **Pollution or Contamination** but this shall not exclude destruction of or **Damage** to the **Property Insured**, not otherwise excluded, caused by:

- (a) **Pollution or Contamination** which itself results from a **Defined Peril**; or
- (b) a **Defined Peril** which itself results from **Pollution or Contamination**.

10. Unexplained Losses

Loss or damage caused by disappearance, unexplained loss, inventory shortage, misfiling or misplacing of information.