



# **Standard**

Policy Wording

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# **POLICY WORDING - STANDARD POLICY**

Thank you for choosing Aston Lark Limited and Renovation Plan for your property

insurance. The complete Renovation Plan documents consist of:

- Policy Wording
- Policy Schedule
- Insurance Product Information Document or Policy Summary Document
- · Statement of Fact

Please check these documents meet **your** needs and that **you** understand them. If **you** need to make any amendments to **your** policy or **you** need to discuss a claim please contact Aston Lark Limited.

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# **AXIS Europe Privacy Notice**

# **Privacy Notice**

AXIS values its relationship with you. Protecting the privacy of your personal information is of great importance to us. We want you to understand how and why we collect personal information about you, how we use it, your rights regarding this information, the conditions under which we may disclose it to others and how we keep it secure.

# What type of information do we collect about you?

The personal information we collect about you may include:

- Name, Address, Phone Number, Email
- Gender
- Marital Status
- Date and Place of Birth
- Government identification numbers National Insurance, Social Security, Passport, Tax, Driver's License)
- Family Information
- Banking Information
- Health Information / Medical History
- Criminal History
- · Credit History and Credit Score
- Claims/Policy Numbers

# How do we collect information about you?

We primarily collect personal information from you or your representative through the policy application process. However, we may also collect information about you from your family members or employer, credit reference agencies, anti-fraud databases, sanctions lists, relevant government agencies, and those who may be involved in a claim – claimants, witnesses, experts, adjustors, and others.

# Why are we collecting your personal information?

We may collect your personal information for the following purposes:

- Account Setup, including Background Checks
- Evaluating Risks to be Covered
- Risk Modeling and Underwriting
- Customer Service Communications
- · Payments to/from Individuals

- Managing Insurance or Reinsurance Claims
- Defending or Prosecuting Legal Claims
- Investigating or Prosecuting Fraud
- Complying with Legal or Regulatory Obligations
- Direct Marketing Activities

# Where does your information go?

We may need to transfer your personal information to our affiliates, reinsurers, agents or contractors, which may be located outside of the European Economic Area (EEA). We will continue to protect any transferred personal information in keeping with all applicable privacy requirements. For more information, please contact the Data Protection Officer.

# How long do we keep your information?

We will keep your personal information only so long as is necessary to provide service to you under your policy. Specifically, we will keep your information for so long as a claim may be brought under the policy, or where we are required to keep your personal information to satisfy legal or regulatory obligations.

### **Your Rights**

Under certain circumstances, you have the right:

- To receive a copy of the personal information we have collected from you
- To receive further details of the use we make of your information
- To update or correct the personal information we hold about you
- To require us to delete any personal information we no longer have a lawful purpose to use
- To restrict our use of your personal information
- If you are not satisfied with our use of your personal information, to file a complaint with the appropriate supervisory authority.

There are specific conditions where we may need to restrict the rights described above, in order to safeguard the public interest (e.g., the prevention or detection of crime) or our interests (e.g., to maintain legal privilege).

**How to Contact Us** Address any questions regarding our privacy practices or this Notice to:

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http://www.axiscapital.com/corp/privacy-policy

### The contract of insurance

This document, the **schedule** and any **endorsements** form a legally binding contract of insurance between **you** and **us**.

The insurance provided by this document covers liability, loss or damage that happens during any **period of insurance** for which **you** have paid, or agreed to pay, the premium. The insurance is provided under the terms and conditions contained in this document or in any **endorsements** applying to it.

This insurance is written in English and all communications about it will be in English. Unless **we** have agreed otherwise with **you**, this contract is governed by the laws of England and Wales and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

# Information you have given us

In deciding to accept this insurance and in setting the terms and premium, **we** have relied on the information provided in **your** proposal or statement of fact. **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** or Aston Lark Limited with false or misleading information, **we** may treat this contract as if it had never existed, refuse to pay all claims and need not return any of the premiums paid.

If **we** establish that **you** carelessly provided **us** or Aston Lark Limited with false or misleading information:

- we may treat this policy as if it had never existed and refuse to pay all claims, but must return
  the premium paid. We will only do this if we would not have entered into this contract based
  on the correct information; or
- if **we** would have entered into this contract but on different terms (other than terms relating to the premium), **we** may treat this contract as if it had been entered into with the different terms applied from the outset; or
- if we would have entered into the contract but charged a higher premium, we may reduce the amount we pay for a claim (and if applicable, the amount already paid on prior claims) by the proportion of the underpaid premium. For example, if the premium would have been 25% higher based on the correct terms, a claim payment will be reduced by 25%; or
- we may cancel your policy in accordance with the cancellation condition set out in this policy.

We or Aston Lark Limited will write to you if we:

- intend to treat your policy as if never existed; or
- need to amend the terms of your policy.

If **you** become aware that information **you** have given **us** or Aston Lark Limited is inaccurate or incomplete, **you** must inform Aston Lark Limited as soon as practicable.

# The Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 Clarification Clause

A person who is not directly involved in this insurance, has no right under the Contracts (Right of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this insurance. However, this does not affect any other rights they may have.

# **Your Insurers**

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Signed for and on behalf of the insurers

Peter Blanc

CEO Aston Lark Limited

# **Definitions (Applicable to the whole policy)**

The following words or phrases have the same meaning whenever they appear in this document or the **schedule**. Where **we** explain what a word or phrase means that word or phrase will be highlighted in bold print.

# Building(s)

- a) the **building(s)** situated within the **premises** named in the **schedule**, constructed of brick, stone or concrete, Structural Insulated Panels (SIP) or Insulated Concrete Formwork (ICF) and the external surface of the roof constructed of slates, tiles, concrete or asphalt which are for the purposes of this insurance, standard construction.
- b) interior decorations, fixtures, fittings and unfitted items which have been incorporated or are awaiting incorporation into the **building(s)**, which are kept within the **building(s)**.
- c) outbuildings and private garages, swimming pools, tennis courts, walls, gates, fences, drives, paved patios and terraces.
- d) unfixed and fixed materials for use in connection with temporary or permanent works being carried out on the property fixed to, delivered to, placed on or adjacent to the site of the property insured including solar panels, wind turbines and domestic fuel tanks
- e) secure steel containers used for storage for which you are responsible.
- f) site huts and caravans if applied by endorsement

All owned by you or for which you are legally responsible at the premises named in the schedule.

#### Contract

the conditions of contract declared to us and under which the contract works are undertaken.

### **Contract Works**

the specified scope of works described in the Statement of Fact and undertaken in performance of the **contract.** 

### **Endorsement(s)**

A change in the terms and conditions of this insurance.

### **Excess**

The amount you must pay as the first part of each claim made.

### **Geographical Limits**

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

#### Period of insurance

The length of time covered by this insurance (as shown on the **schedule**) and any extra period for which **we** accept **your** premium, or until cancelled.

An additional 2 weeks cover will apply past the expiry date shown on the **schedule** unless otherwise cancelled.

### **Pollution or contamination**

**Pollution or contamination** of **building(s)** or other structures or of water, land or the atmosphere. Loss, damage or injury directly or indirectly caused by such **pollution or contamination**.

### **Premises**

Address as stated as the property insured in the **schedule**.

### **Schedule**

The document showing **your** name, the **premises**, the **sum(s) insured**, the **period of insurance** and the sections of this insurance which apply.

### Sum(s) Insured

The maximum amount we will pay for each item insured under any section.

### **Terrorism**

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

### Unoccupied

Where **you** / any family member / tenants have moved out of the property for the purpose of renovation or construction and the property remains vacant following completion of the works, or where there is a period in excess of 14 consecutive days when there are no renovation or construction works ongoing and where there is no presence at the property by the person (or persons) undertaking the renovation or construction works.

# We, us, our

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### You, your

The person, people or company shown in the **schedule** as the Insured.

# **Definitions applicable to Section 2 Public Liability**

# **Damage**

Accidental loss of possession of or accidental damage to tangible property.

### Employee(s)

Any person while working for **you** in connection with the **contract works**:

- under a contract of service or apprenticeship with you
- who is hired or lent to you or borrowed by you
- under a work experience training scheme
- supplied to **you** or employed by **you** for labour only
- who is self-employed and working under your control or supervision
- on a voluntary basis

### **Financial Loss**

Any monetary loss unaccompanied by Injury or Damage.

### Injury

Death, bodily injury, illness, or disease, of or to any person.

# **Liquidated Damages**

Damages where the amount to be paid for failing to keep to the terms of a contract has been agreed by the people involved in the contract at the time the contract was made.

### **Multiplied Damages**

In some areas of the world, the amount of money awarded as compensation is multiplied as a punishment.

### **Occurrence**

An accident including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general conditions which results in **Injury** or **Damage** neither expected nor intended by **you**.

### Punitive or exemplary damages

Damages that punish the person they are awarded against, as well as compensate the person they are awarded to.

# Section 1 - Building(s)

The **schedule** will show if this cover applies

What is not covered	
1	
The first £250 of each and every claim.	
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<ul> <li>Any costs preparing a claim.</li> <li>Any costs which relate to undamaged parts of your building(s), except the foundations of the damaged parts of your building(s).</li> <li>Costs involved in meeting regulations and laws if notice was served on you before the loss or damage happened.</li> <li>The cost of making the site stable.</li> <li>Any amount over 20% of the sum insured for building(s) for any one claim.</li> </ul>	

# **Settling Buildings Claims**

We will decide whether to pay the cost of repairing or replacing the part of your building(s) damaged or destroyed.

In the event of total or constructional total destruction by an insured event under Section 1 - Buildings, **we** will rebuild the **building(s)** to their condition prior to such destruction subject to the **sum insured** on the said **building(s)** but in the event that planning authority to rebuild cannot be obtained **we** have the option to:

- a) rebuild in accordance with such planning permission as can be obtained up to the **sum insured** shown on the **schedule** after deduction of the policy **excess**.
- b) pay in cash 80% of the **sum insured** shown in the **schedule** without deduction of the policy **excess**.

### Sum insured

The most **we** will pay under Section 1 - Building(s) is the **sum insured** for **buildings** shown on the **schedule**.

### **Under-insurance**

If at the time of any loss or damage the cost of rebuilding the whole of **your building(s)**, in a new condition similar in size, shape and form, is more than the **sum insured** for **building(s)**, **we** will pay for the loss or damage in the same proportion.

For example, if the **sum insured** for **building(s)** only covers two-thirds of the cost of rebuilding **your building(s)**, **we** will only pay two-thirds of the claim.

### Maintaining the sum insured

After **we** have settled a claim, **we** will maintain the **sum insured** for **building(s)**, as long as **you** take any reasonable measures **we** suggest to prevent any further loss or damage. **We** will not charge any extra premium for maintaining the **sum insured** for **building(s)**.

# **Section 2 - Public Liability**

### What is covered

1. Legal liability and claims costs

**We** will pay up to the limit of indemnity if **you** become legally liable to pay damages and/or claimants costs and expenses in respect of:

- ❖ Accidental **injury** to any person
- ❖ Damage to property, other than property owned, leased to, hired by you under hire purchase, on loan to, held in trust by, otherwise in your care custody and control.

Occurring anywhere within the geographical limits during the period of insurance.

We also pay claims costs.

We also pay the solicitor's fee incurred with our written consent for the representation of you at:

- I. any coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry in respect of any death
- II. proceedings in any court of summary jurisdiction arising out of any alleged breach of statutory duty resulting in **injury** or **damage** to property
  - 2. Limit of Indemnity

The maximum amount **we** will pay in respect of any one claim against **you** or series of claims against **you** arising out of one **occurrence** will not exceed in total the limit of indemnity stated in the **schedule**.

3. Indemnity to Principals

Any Principal for legal liability in respect of which **you** would have been entitled to indemnity under this Policy if the claim had been made against **you** arising out of work carried out by **you** under a **contract** or agreement.

Provided always that

- (i) all such persons or parties must observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms conditions and exclusions of this Policy as though they were **you**;
- (ii) **our** liability under this Extension will in no way operate to increase the applicable Limit of indemnity or any other limit regardless of the number of parties claiming an indemnity.
- 4. Defective Premises Act

**We** will insure **your** liability under Section 3 of the Defective Premises Act 1972\* as owner of any previous **premises** which **you** owned, for accidents happening in and around that **premises** which result in:

- ❖ injury to any person other than you or an employee; or
- loss or damage to property which you (or your employees) do not own or have legal responsibility for.

#### \*Defective Premises Act 1972

The Defective Premises Act 1972 imposes duties in connection with the provision of dwellings and imposes liability for injury or damage caused to persons through defects in the state of the premises. For further guidance please see the Office of Public Sector Information website (www.opsi.gov.uk) or contact the Citizens Advice Bureau.

**We** will not pay more than £2,000,000 for any one event plus any costs and expenses **we** have agreed to in writing.

### The General Exclusions also apply to this Section.

- 1. The first £500 of each and every claim in respect of third party property.
- 2. Compulsory Employers Liability
- 3. Liability arising outside the **geographical limits**.
- **4.** Loss or damage to property owned by **you** or in **your** custody or control.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- personal effects of employees or visitors
- any premises including their contents not being premises leased or rented to you which are temporarily occupied by you for the purpose of carrying out work there.
- **5.** Liability from **you** owning or using any mechanically propelled vehicle including anything attached to it used in circumstances where insurance or security is required by any road traffic legislation or where cover is provided by any other certificate or security.
- **6.** Liability from **you** owning or using any craft intended to travel through air or space or other aerial devices, hovercraft or watercraft (other than hand propelled watercraft or sailing craft not exceeding six metres in length).
- 7. Legal liability arising from professional advice given separately for a fee or other remuneration by **you** or by anyone on **your** behalf or in circumstances where a fee would normally be charged.
- 8. Liability arising from multiplied damages or punitive, or exemplary damages.
- **9.** Liability arising from any agreement or contract unless **you** would have been legally liable anyway.
- 10. Damage to works/rectification of defects
  - loss of or damage to goods or materials supplied or for use by you or which form part of work that you are carrying out or have completed. This exclusion will not apply to goods or materials forming part of work completed by you under a separate previous contract
  - the cost or value of any defective, harmful or unsuitable goods, materials or work supplied, used or undertaken
  - expenditure incurred by anyone in:
    - i) investigating or providing a remedy for
    - **ii)** removing, reinstating, replacing, reapplying, or rectifying any defective, harmful or unsuitable goods, materials or work supplied, used or undertaken.
- 11. Fines and penalties

liquidated damages, fines, or penalties

12. Asbestos

legal liability in any way arising from or contributed to by:

- inhalation or ingestion of asbestos
- exposure to or fear of the consequences of exposure to asbestos
- the presence of asbestos in any property or on land
- investigating, managing, removing, controlling, or remediation, of asbestos

#### 13. Pollution or contamination

legal liability arising from **pollution or contamination** other than caused by a sudden and unexpected incident which takes place at a specific time and place during the **period of insurance**. All **pollution or contamination** which arises out of one incident will be considered to have happened at the time the incident takes place.

**14.** Liability from any infectious disease or condition.

# 15. Defective Premises Act

You are not covered for liability arising:

- from an incident which happens over seven years after this insurance ends or your premises was sold;
- from any cause for which you are entitled to cover under another source;
- from the cost of correcting any fault or alleged fault; or
- where a more recent insurance covers the liability.

### 16. Financial Loss

Any financial loss.

# 17. Deliberate Acts

Arising out of the deliberate, conscious or intentional disregard by **your** technical or administrative management of the need to take all reasonable steps to prevent **Injury** or **Damage**.

# **General Exclusions (Applicable to the whole policy)**

### 1. Major Works

This insurance does not cover any loss or damage where the works to be undertaken include substantial demolition, water diversion or excavations of a major nature which have not been disclosed to **us**.

### 2. Pre-Existing Loss and/or Damage

This insurance does not cover any loss or damage directly or indirectly caused or contributed to by or connected with any condition, want of repair, defect or deterioration of the **building(s)**, it's foundations or site upon which the **building(s)** stands existing as at the date of commencement of the **period of insurance** stated in the **schedule**.

- **3** This insurance does not cover:
  - direct or indirect loss or damage to any property;
  - any legal liability;
  - costs and expenses;
  - death or injury to or arising from the following.
- a) Radioactive contamination from:
  - ionising radiation or contamination from any nuclear fuel, or from any nuclear waste arising from burning nuclear fuel; or
  - the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous effect of any explosive nuclear equipment or part of that equipment.
- **b)** War, invasion, civil war, revolution and any similar event.
- c) Loss of value after we have made a claim payment.
- d) Pressure waves from aircraft and other flying objects travelling at or above the speed of sound.
- e) Pollution or contamination of air, water or soil, unless the pollution or contamination is directly caused by an event which is sudden, identifiable, unintended and unexpected. The whole event must happen at a specific time and place during the period of insurance.

**We** will not cover claims arising from **pollution or contamination** which happen as a result of deliberately releasing substances, or as a result of leaks, other than water or oil leaking or spilling from **your** fixed domestic water or heating systems.

**f)** Computer viruses or electronic information being erased or corrupted. The failure of any equipment to correctly recognise the date or a change or network.

In this exclusion, computer virus means an instruction from an unauthorised source that corrupts data and which spreads over a computer system or network.

- **g)** Wear and tear, corrosion, rot of any kind, woodworm, fungus, mildew, rust, insects, moth, vermin, any cause that happens gradually, or mechanical or electrical breakdown.
- **h)** Indirect loss of any kind. **We** will not pay for any loss or damage that is not directly associated with the incident that caused **you** to claim, unless expressly stated in this insurance.
- i) Biological or chemical contamination due to or arising from:
  - terrorism; or
  - steps taken to prevent, control or reduce the consequences of any suspected, threatened or attempted terrorism

In this exclusion, terrorism means any act of any person or organisation involving:

- causing or threatening harm; or
- putting the public or any section of the public in fear;

if it is likely that the purpose is of a political, religious, ideological (of an intellectual or rational) or similar nature.

#### 4. Sanctions

**We** will not provide any cover or be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit under this insurance if the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

This means **we** will not provide any cover for Sanctioned Designated Nationals i.e. individuals or entities subject to trade or economic sanctions as per the laws and regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America. **We** will not provide any cover in respect of any risk or exposure located in, or arising from, or in connection with a country which is subject to sanctions, by either the United Nations, European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

#### 5. Terrorism

Unless otherwise agreed by **us** and stated in the policy **schedule**, this insurance excludes loss, damage, cost or expense of any nature caused by, resulting from or in connection with any act of **terrorism** regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss.

# **General Conditions (Applicable to the whole policy)**

General Conditions are conditions precedent to **our** liability. All General Conditions are conditions of the insurance that **you** will need to meet as **your** part of the contract. If **you** do not, a claim may be rejected or payment could be reduced. In some circumstances **your** policy might become invalid.

### 1 Your duties

- ❖ You must ensure that all work has been, and will be carried out in compliance with planning permission, consents and regulations required by all relevant authorities.
- ❖ You must notify us, via Aston Lark Limited, if works cease, or if there is a break or delay in the contract works in excess of thirty (30) consecutive days.
- As far as possible, **you** must ensure that the inside of the **buildings** and surrounding areas are kept clear from all combustibles, including waste and refuse.
- ❖ The premises must be visited for maintenance purposes and all rooms entered, at least once a week by you or an authorised adult.
- ❖ You must take all reasonable care to prevent loss or damage, accident, bodily injury, or legal proceedings. If legal proceedings are underway, you must tell us (See 'Making a Claim' section) without delay and take all reasonable steps to reduce the costs of these proceedings.
- ❖ You must take all reasonable steps to prevent any accidents and rectify any defects that may pose a danger to life or property as soon as reasonably possible.
- ❖ You must ensure that all forms of protection provided for the security of the premises, including all locks, are kept in working order and are put into operation whenever the premises are left unattended. If you do not comply with this, we will not pay a claim for loss or damage resulting from illegal entry or exit.
- ❖ You must have confirmed that the contractor(s) undertaking the works at **premises** have an in-force Public Liability policy for the duration of the works, providing a limit of liability of at least £2,000,000.
  - If **you** fail to comply with any of the above duties, it may affect any claim **you** make or could result in your insurance being invalid.

# 2 Telling us about a change

**You** must tell **us**, via Aston Lark Limited, as soon as possible about any changes in the information **you** have provided to **us** which is recorded in your proposal form/statement of insurance. **We** will tell **you** if such change affects **your** insurance and, if so, whether the change will result in revised terms and/or premium being applied to **your** policy.

Examples of what you must tell us include, but are not limited to:

- If you plan to carry out further building works at the premises that we are not aware of which exceed the policy limitations;
- ❖ If you make any changes to the planned building works you have already advised us of;
- ❖ If you change how the **premises** are used, or if the occupancy changes;
- ❖ If you are convicted or have a prosecution pending for any offence (other than motoring);

If **you** do not inform **us** about a change, it could result in any claim **you** make being declined or it could result in **your** insurance being invalid.

# 3 Works Completed

If the works are complete and the property is **Unoccupied** pending sale, cover can be continued up until the expiry date of the **Period of Insurance** subject to an increased excess of £500 unless otherwise stated as higher

# 4 Contractors Public Liability Insurance

It is a condition precedent in respect of any claim that contractors undertaking works at the **premises** have in force a Public Liability insurance, for the duration of the works, providing an indemnity of not less than £2,000,000. The onus of establishing the existence of such insurance rests entirely on you. If you fail to comply with this condition, this insurance will become invalid in respect of loss or damage resulting from the negligence of contractors.

### 5 Cancellation

### Your right to change your mind.

**You** may cancel the insurance, without giving reason, by contacting Aston Lark Limited. **You** will be entitled to a pro-rata refund of premium, provided no claim has been made during the current **period of insurance**. For example, if **you** have been covered for six months, the deduction for the time **you** have been covered will be half of the annual premium.

### Our right to cancel.

**We** may cancel the insurance by sending **you** 14 days' notice to **your** last known address and the premium will be adjusted on the basis of **us** receiving or retaining pro-rata premium (As described above). **We** will only cancel this policy for a valid reason. Valid reasons include, but are not limited to:

- where we have been unable to collect a premium payment and you have not corrected this within the agreed timescale;
- where you are required in accordance with the terms of this policy to co-operate with us, or send us information or documentation and you fail to do so in a way that adversely affects our ability to process a claim or to defend our interests. In this case we may issue a cancellation letter and will cancel your policy if you fail to co-operate with us or provide the required information or documentation which we have requested by the end of the cancellation notice period;
- where there is a reasonable suspicion of fraudulent activity; or
- the use of threatening or abusive behaviour or language, or intimidation or bullying of staff or suppliers by you.

# 6 Our rights after a claim

**We** may enter any building where loss or damage has happened, take possession of the insured damaged property, and deal with any salvage in a reasonable way. However, **you** must not abandon any property.

Before or after **we** pay **your** claim under this insurance, **we** may take over, conduct, defend or settle any claim in **your** name.

**We** can also take proceedings, at **our** own expense and for **our** own benefit, to recover any payment **we** have made under this insurance.

### 7 Fraudulent Claims

If You make a fraudulent claim under this insurance contract, then We:

- (a) Are not liable to pay the claim; and
- (b) May recover from You any sums paid by Us to You in respect of the claim; and
- (c) May by notice to You treat the contract as having been terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.

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

- (a) **We** will not be liable to **You** in respect of a relevant event occurring after the time of the fraudulent act. A relevant event is whatever gives rise to **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.

# 7. Disagreement over amount of claim

If **we** accept **your** claim, but disagree over the amount due to **you**, the matter will be passed to an arbitrator who both **you** and **we** agree to. When this happens, the arbitrator must make a decision before **you** can start proceedings against **us**.

### 8 Other insurance

If, at the time of any loss, damage or liability covered under this insurance, **you** have any other insurance which covers the same loss, damage or liability, **we** will only pay **our** share of the claim even if the other insurance refuses the claim.

# **Complaints Procedure**

**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 wish to make a complaint about your insurance policy, please contact us at:

Aston Lark Limited

Key House

Burnham Business Park Burnham-on-Crouch

Essex CM0 8TE Tel: 01621 784840

E-mail: burnham@astonlark.com

If you wish to make a complaint about a claim, please contact the claims administrator at:

Adjusting Associates LLP

Unit 2, Sovereign Court

Sterling Drive

Llantrisant

Rhondda Cynon Taff

CF72 8LX

Telephone: 01443 229513 Facsimile: 01443 229995

Email: claims@adjustingassociates.com

Alternatively, you can refer your complaint to the Complaints team at Lloyd's at any time:

Complaints Lloyd's

One Lime Street

London EC3M 7HA

Tel: 020 7327 5693 Fax: 020 7327 5225

E-mail: complaints@lloyds.com Website: www.lloyds.com/complaints

Details of Lloyd's complaints procedures are set out in a leaflet "Your Complaint - How We Can Help", which is available from www.lloyds.com/complaints. **You** can also ask Lloyd's for a copy of this leaflet using the contact details shown above.

If **you** are dissatisfied with the outcome of **your** complaint, **you** may have the right to refer **your** complaint to an alternative dispute resolution body.

If you live in the United Kingdom or the Isle of Man, the contact information is:

The Financial Ombudsman Service

**Exchange Tower** 

London

E14 9SR

Tel: 0800 023 4567 (calls to this number are free from "fixed lines" in the UK)

Tel: 0300 123 9123 (calls to this number cost the same as 01 and 02 numbers on mobile phone tariffs in the UK)

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

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

If you live in the Channel Islands, the contact information is:

Channel Islands Financial Ombudsman

PO Box 114

Jersev

Channel Islands

JE4 9QG.

Tel: Jersey +44 (0)1534 748610; Guernsey +44 (0)1481 722218; International +44 1534 748610.

Fax +44 1534 747629 Email: enquiries@ci-fo.org Website: www.ci-fo.org

If **you** purchased this insurance online **you** can also make a complaint via the EU's online dispute resolution (ODR) platform. The website for the ODR platform is: http://ec.europa.eu/odr

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

**We** are members of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if **we** are unable to meet **our** liabilities under this insurance. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim.

If **you** were entitled to compensation under the Scheme, the level and extent of the compensation would depend on the nature of this insurance. Further Information about the Scheme is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme PO BOX 300 Mitcheldean, GL17 1DY and on their website: www.fscs.org.uk.

# **Making a Claim**

To report a claim, contact the schemes administrators Aston Lark Limited:

Office Hours 9.00am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday

Telephone: 01621 784840 Fax: 01621 784405

Email: renovationplan@astonlark.com

Aston Lark Limited Key House Burnham Business Park Burnham on Crouch Essex CM0 8TE

**You** will be asked to complete a claim form and this can be obtained from Aston Lark Limited or can be downloaded from the Renovation Plan website: **www.renovationplan.co.uk/making\_a\_claim** 

If you need to report a claim or obtain advice outside of the above office hours you can contact the schemes loss adjusters, Adjusting Associates LLP on their emergency number: **Emergency 24/7** out of office number: **Telephone 01724 761378** 

Adjusting Associates LLP Unit 2, Sovereign Court Sterling Drive Llantrisant CF72 8YX

When there is a claim or possible claim, **you** must advise **us** (via any of the above methods) as soon as possible.

For loss or damage claims, **you** must give **us** (at **your** own expense) any documents, information and evidence **we** need. **You** must also tell the police without delay if the loss is caused by riot, malicious acts, theft or any attempted theft.

**You** must take all reasonable steps to recover any lost or stolen property and to prevent any further loss or damage.

For liability claims, **you** must send **us** any statement of claim, legal process or other communication (without answering them) as soon as **you** receive it. **You** must not discuss, negotiate, pay, settle, admit or deny any claim without **our** written permission.

### **Endorsements**

Important: This appendix forms part of the insurance

An **endorsement** will only apply if the **endorsement**'s number from this appendix is shown in the relevant place on the **schedule**. Details of all **endorsements** are shown in this appendix.

### **Endorsement code RPNSC - Non-Standard Construction Clause**

You have told us, and we have agreed the building(s) at the premises named in the schedule are of non-standard construction.

### **Endorsement Code RPTR – Terrorism Extension**

**We** will extend cover under this policy, subject to the exclusions, limits and conditions applicable to the policy, for the **premises** stated in the **schedule** against physical loss or physical damage occurring during the **period of insurance** caused by an Act of **Terrorism** or sabotage. -For the purpose of this insurance, an act of sabotage means a disruptive act or series of such acts committed for political, religious or ideological purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear. General Exclusion 5 – Terrorism, is therefore deleted and is of no effect.

### **Endorsement code NSWE - Non Structural Works Endorsement**

It is hereby noted that all works being carried out at the **premises** are non-structural to the **building**. Non-structural works being, but not restricted to, work that does not affect a load bearing wall, where an RSJ is required, any extension, conversion, removing of roof or replacement of stairs.

### **Endorsement RPDE - Start of Works**

**You** have told **us** and it is agreed that works will not commence within thirty days of the commencement of the **period of insurance** 

# **Endorsement RPCV - Caravan/ Site Huts Endorsement**

Cover is extended under this policy for a caravan and/or site huts for for loss or damage occurring during the **period of insurance** caused by the insured events listed under Section 1, up to the **Sum Insured** stated in the **endorsement**, whilst situated at the **premises**.

# -Endorsement code - RPUSC - Underground Services Conditions

In respect of loss of or damage to cables, pipes, or other services, located underground it is a policy requirement that prior to undertaking digging, boring, or excavation, **you** have:

- taken or caused to be taken all reasonable measures to identify the location of such cables, pipes or other services before any work is commenced which may involve a risk of damage "Reasonable measures" include contacting the appropriate authorities where it is possible that any cables, pipes or other services are under the site
- 2. retained a written record on the measures which were taken to locate such cables, pipes or other services
- **3.** conveyed the location of such cables, pipes or other services to those who are carrying out such work on **your** behalf.

The indemnity will in any case be restricted to the actual cost of repair or replacement of such cables, pipes or other services as assessed by an independent surveyor and will not extend to cover any additional costs for loss of use, consequential loss or damage, or penalties and/or fines, which are imposed on **you** by the relevant authorities as a result of loss of use, consequential loss or damage. ("Consequential loss or damage" is any loss or damage which happens as a result of, or is a side effect of, an event for which **you** are insured). This **endorsement** will apply to any party carrying out such work on **your** behalf. If **you** do not comply with this requirement and a claim arises as a result, **we** will not be able to deal with **your** claim.

# **Endorsement Code RPES - Buildings Existing Structure Only**

the **Buildings** are amended to cover only the existing structure and the definition of **Buildings** is amended to read:

### Building(s)

- a) The Buildings situated within the premises named in the schedule, constructed of brick, stone or concrete and the external surface of the roof constructed of slates, tiles, concrete or Structural Insulated Panels (SIPs), Insulated Concrete Formwork (ICF) or asphalt which are for the purposes of this insurance, standard construction unless endorsed otherwise
- **b)** Outbuildings and private garages, swimming pools, tennis courts, walls, gates, fences, drives, paved patios and terraces

We will not pay for any loss or damage:

- resulting from any work which is the subject of a contract which removes or limits your legal rights against the contractor(s);
- for any liability arising out of the activities of any contractor(s);

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