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# **Kit Start Insurance**

This insurance is arranged and administered by PMGI Ltd. trading as Forces Mutual, and underwritten by SiriusPoint International Insurance Corporation.

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PMGI Limited, trading as Forces Mutual, is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Financial Services Register No. 114942. Registered in England & Wales No. 1073408. Registered office: Brookfield Court, Selby Road, Leeds, LS25 1NB.

# Introduction to policy wording

Welcome to **your** Forces Mutual Kit Start policy. It's important that **you** read this wording, application form (if completed) and **your** policy schedule to make sure that everything **you'**ve told **us** is correct. Please read this policy carefully so that **you** understand the cover we are giving **you**. **You** must follow the terms and conditions set out in this policy wording. It's important that **you** keep these documents in a safe place in case **you** need to look at them later.

# **Eligibility**

You must be:

- aged under 80 years of age, and living in single service accommodation, and
- a serving member of H.M. Forces, or
- civilian staff of the MoD

or with **our** prior approval:

- a member of the Army Reserve, or
- a contractor employed by the MoD, or
- an employee of an affinity partner of the MoD

If any of the above circumstances change, **you** must inform Forces Mutual immediately as **you** may no longer meet the requirement of the policy.

For a new recruit whilst living in the single service accommodation, free cover is offered to entrants at phase 1 training. Those who did not take this up and successfully move on to phase 2 training will be offered free cover again.

If for any reason the current training phase is likely to exceed 12 months, free cover can be extended (to a maximum of 24 months).

At the end of the 12 months or if agreed 24 months, a premium will be taken as shown in **your** policy schedule.

### **Period of insurance**

**Your** insurance starts on the date shown in **your** policy schedule and will continue every month, as long as **you** pay **your** monthly premium. The insurance doesn't have a specific end date, but it can be cancelled by **you**, the insurance company, or Forces Mutual. Every year, **you** should check the insurance rules, for example changes **we** need to know about, policy conditions, exclusions, and limits to make sure they still fit **your** needs. Forces Mutual will collect the premium from **your** bank account on the first working day of each month by direct debit, and **you** will be covered for that month.

\*The first payment date may fall on the 15th of the month depending upon inception date, however all subsequent monthly collections will take place on the first working day of the month.

Or for new recruits **your** free insurance starts on the date shown in **your** policy schedule and continues for a maximum period of 12 months or if agreed to be extended for a further 12 months (maximum of 24 months), after this date **your** policy will continue every month, as long as **you** pay **your** monthly premium.

Cover detailed in this wording will stop automatically in the following instances;

- If **you** fail to complete phase 1 and/or phase 2 training and are discharged from the HM Forces, or equivalent MoD or affiliated organisation;
- If **you** are discharged from the HM Forces, equivalent MoD or affiliated organisation part way through training;
- If **you** are medically discharged from the HM Forces, equivalent MoD or affiliated organisation before completing phase 1 and/ or phase 2 training.
- If you don't pay the premium, your insurance will be cancelled, and Forces Mutual will tell you.

If for any reason the current training phase is likely to take longer than 12 months, free cover can be extended (to a maximum of 24 months) as stated on **our** eligibility criteria. Please contact 0151 363 5290.

# Information and changes we need to know about

**You** are required by the provisions of the Consumer Insurance (Disclosure and Representations Act 2012 to take care to:

- a) supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions **we** or Forces Mutual may ask as part of **your** application for cover under the policy;
- b) to make sure that all information supplied as part of **your** application for cover is true and correct;
- c) advise Forces Mutual of any changes to the answers **you** have given as soon as possible.

Failure to provide answers in-line with the requirement of the Act may mean that **your** policy is invalid and **you** will not be able to make a claim.

Please advise Forces Mutual if there are any changes to the information set out in the Application form or on the policy schedule. In particular **you** must advise Forces Mutual if:

- **You** change address (as this policy would not be suitable if **you** are no longer residing in Single Service Accommodation such as barracks, ships and shared accommodation facilities)
- You cease to be employed by HM Forces, equivalent MoD or affiliated organisation
- **You** purchase or acquire additional possessions which result in the need to increase the amounts insured under this policy
- You receive a conviction for a criminal offence (other than for motoring offences)
- The **home** is going to be **unoccupied**
- The **home** is going to be used for short periods each week.

This is not an exhaustive list.

If **you** are in any doubt please contact Forces Mutual's Customer Response Team on **0151 363 5290** or write to Forces Mutual, Floor 3, Exchange Station, Tithebarn, Street, Liverpool, L2 2QP.

# How to make a claim

If there's an accident, do what **you** can to protect **your** things from more damage, like turning off the gas or electricity. Please have **your** policy number ready when **you** call.

To make a claim please contact us:

Telephone: 0333 043 4640 in relation to sections 1-4 or 0333 043 4639 in relation to section 5

Claim online: forcesmutualclaims@claimsconsortiumgroup.co.uk

Mail: Claims Consortium Group, Nightingale House, East Reach, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 3EN

**We** can usually sort out the claim on the phone, but sometimes **we** might need to visit **you** or ask for more information. To help **us** work on **your** claim quickly, read this policy, especially pages 17-18.

# **Guidance when making a claim**

## **Claim Notification**

This policy booklet has the rules for **your** insurance and what to do if **you** need to make a claim. **You** must follow these rules and know what to do if something happens. The booklet tells **you** how to let **us** know if **you** need to make a claim, and **you** should tell **us** as soon as **you** can and no later than 90 days from the date of the incident. **You** may need to give **us** some information and proof to help with **your** claim. Read the pages 17-18 for all the details.

**We** need this information to decide if **we** can help with **your** claim and how much **you** can claim for. If **we** need more information, **we** will ask for it. This might include:

- Your name, address, and contact telephone number and email address
- Personal details necessary to confirm **your** identity
- Policy number
- The date of the incident
- The cause of the loss or damage
- Details of the loss or damage together with claim value if known
- Police details where applicable
- Names and addresses of any other parties involved or responsible for the incident (including details of injuries) and addresses of any witnesses.

By giving **us** this information, **we** can assess **your** claim and how much **we** should pay. Depending on **your** situation and how much **your** claim is worth, **we** might ask for more information, such as:

- Original purchase receipts, invoices, instruction booklets or photographs
- Purchase dates and location of lost or damaged property
- For damaged property, confirmation from a suitably qualified expert that the item **you** are claiming for is beyond repair.

Sometimes **we** may need to talk to **you** in person to learn more about the claim, check the damage, or do more investigation.

**We** will only review a claim if **you** have paid **your** monthly insurance payments from the start of **your** policy up to and including the month when the incident happened, and **you** don't owe any missed payments.

# How to make a Complaint

We always aim to provide excellent service. However, if you have a complaint, please follow these steps.

1. If **your** complaint is about the sale or servicing of **your** policy, contact Forces Mutual.

Tel: 0151 363 5290

Email: info@forcesmutual.org

Mail: Floor 3, Exchange Station, Tithebarn Street, Liverpool, L2 2QP

2. If **your** complaint is about a claim **you** made, contact **us.** 

Telephone: 0333 043 4640 in relation to sections 1-4 or 0333 043 4639 in relation to section 5

Email: forcesmutualclaims@claimsconsortiumgroup.co.uk

Mail: Claims Consortium Group, Nightingale House, East Reach, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 3EN

Every effort will be made to resolve **your** complaint by the end of the third working day after receipt. If they cannot resolve **your** complaint within this timeframe, they will acknowledge **your** complaint within 5 days of receipt and will do their best to resolve the problem within four weeks by sending **you** a final response letter.

If they are unable to resolve **your** complaint in this time, they will write to advise **you** of progress and will endeavour to resolve **your** complaint within the following four weeks.

If, for any reason, **you**'re still dissatisfied or haven't received a final answer within eight weeks, **you** have the right to escalate **your** complaint to an independent authority called the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). **You** can contact them using the details below:

The Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower 1 Harbour Exchange Square, London E14 9SR

Telephone: 08000 234 567 (free for people calling from a landline) or 0300 123 9 123

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

Online: financial-ombudsman.org.uk

**You** have the right to refer **your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman, free of charge within six months of the date of **your** final response letter.

Whilst **we** and **our** UK service providers are bound by the decision of the Financial Ombudsman Service, **you** are not. Following the complaints procedure above does not affect **your** right to take legal action.

## **Preferred suppliers**

**We** want to help **you** when **you** need to make a claim. **Our** goal is to repair or replace anything that's lost or damaged, where it can be done. **We** have preferred suppliers, which are companies that **we** use to make this happen, like those who can repair things and others who can provide replacements. If **you** would rather choose someone else, **we** can give **you** cash or vouchers instead, but **we** won't pay more than up to the amount it would have cost **us** if **we** used **our** own preferred suppliers.

### **Fraud**

**You** must not act in a fraudulent way. If **you** or anyone acting for **you**:

- Fails to reveal or hides a fact likely to influence whether **we** accept **your** proposal, **your** renewal, or any adjustment to **your** policy,
- Fails to reveal or hides a fact likely to influence the cover we provide,
- · Makes a statement to us or anyone acting on our behalf, knowing the statement to be false,
- Sends **us** or anyone acting on **our** behalf a document, knowing the document to be forged or false,
- · Makes a claim under the policy, knowing the claim to be false or fraudulent in any way,
- Makes a claim for any loss or damage **you** caused deliberately or with **your** knowledge.

If **your** claim is in any way dishonest or exaggerated, **we** will not pay any benefit under this policy or return any premium to **you**, and **we** may cancel **your** policy immediately and backdate the cancellation to the date of the fraudulent claim. **We** may also take legal action against **you** and inform the appropriate authorities.

# **Cancellation**

# **Cooling-off period**

**You** can cancel this policy within 14 days after receiving the insurance documents. Forces Mutual will refund **your** premium payment as long as **you** haven't made any claims and **you** don't have any pending claims.

For new recruits in phase 1 and/or phase 2 training, as this is a free policy no refund will be due.

**You** can cancel **your** insurance policy any time after the cooling-off period. **Your** coverage will continue until the end of the last day of the month for which **you** have paid. To cancel contact **us**;

Tel: 0151 363 5290

Email: info@forcesmutual.org

Mail: Forces Mutual Floor 3, Exchange Station, Tithebarn Street, Liverpool, L2 2QP

## Our right to cancel

The Insurer shall not be bound to accept monthly renewal of any insurance and may at any time cancel any insurance document by giving 30 days' notice in writing where there is a valid reason for doing so. A cancellation letter will be sent to **you** at **your** last known address. Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

- a) Fraud
- b) Non-payment of premium
- c) Threatening and abusive behaviour
- d) Non-compliance with policy terms and conditions

If **you** don't pay **your** monthly premium, **your** cover will stop at the end of the last day of the month for which **you** have paid. If **we** or Forces Mutual cancel **your** policy, **you** won't have to pay any more premiums, and **you** can still claim for anything that happened before the cancellation.

# **Definitions**

Where **we** explain what a word means here, that word will be highlighted in bold print and will have the same meaning wherever it is used in this policy.

# **Accidental Damage**

Sudden and unexpected event causing damage, occurring at a specific time and caused by external means.

### **Accidental Loss**

Sudden and unexpected loss of the item, which cannot be found, meaning **you** are permanently deprived of its use.

## Care, custody and control

Necessary and reasonably expected precautions **you** have taken to reduce **your** items being lost, stolen or damaged.

### **Contents**

This includes **your** property like furniture, appliances, and other things **you** own that are used in **your home** for **your** own personal needs. It doesn't include things like **temporary issued kit**, **issued kit** and **personal possessions**.

### **Credit Card**

Any card **you** or a family member has that can be used to pay for things or get cash from a machine in the UK, like a **credit card**, a debit card, or a cash machine card.

### **Excess**

The **excess** is the amount **you** pay for each claim. Where **you** have an endorsement on **your** policy which increases **your excess**, the amount **your excess** has increased by will be deducted from the total sum insured **you** have or the total value of **your** claim whichever is lowest.

# **Firearm**

A lethal barrelled weapon of any description that can discharge a shot, bullet or other missile. Which is licensed and stored according to local authority requirements and only used by those licensed to do so. This does not include non-lethal weapons such as Airsoft Guns, Paintball Guns, or any other guns which do not require a licence as these are classed as sporting equipment under this policy.

### Home

The Single Service Accommodation (barracks, ships and shared accommodation facilities) where **you** normally live which includes any buildings, gardens and garages at the same address as shown in the policy schedule. This excludes any communal, shared area or garden, but includes the shared room **you** reside or sleep in. Or for new recruits within phase 1 or 2 training, **your** normal place of residence within the military compound as shown in **your** policy schedule.

### **Issued Kit**

Service uniform, clothing and equipment which is issued to **you** on a permanent basis, or purchased by **you** for **your** sole use.

### Laptops

Portable personal computers including notebooks, netbooks, iPads and tablets.

# **Malicious Damage**

Intentional damage done to a property without the owner's consent. This can include vandalism, arson, or deliberate destruction of property.

## Pedal cycle(s)

A personal **pedal cycle** or electronic **pedal cycle** including the battery, excluding specialist racing cycle.

### Period of Insurance

The period stated in **your** policy schedule that this policy is in force for.

# **Personal Money**

Cash and cheques, travel documents like tickets and travellers cheques, and other valuable items like gift vouchers and savings certificates that **you** keep at **home** for personal or charitable reasons.

### **Personal Possessions**

Things that belong to **you** or that **you** are responsible for and are meant to be carried or worn, like clothes and electronics, **pedal cycles**, sports gear (not sports\ racing bikes), phones, **laptops**, music players, GPS, swords, **firearms**, and contact lenses.

# **Temporary Issued Kit**

Service uniform, clothing and equipment issued to **you** on temporary charge.

## Unoccupied

If a place doesn't have enough furnishings in it for someone to live there normally or if nobody has lived there for more than 60 days in a row (unless they are away for military reasons, in which case it's 120 days).

### Valuable(s)

Where the cost of replacing an item exceeds the single item limit **you** should consider is as valuable. This includes items such as stamp collections, jewellery, coin collections, medals, unique and interesting items, pictures, works of art, gold, silver or other valuable metals, watches, and fur.

### We/our/us

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# You/your

The person listed in the policy schedule.

# Section 1 - service equipment and personal possessions

### ✓ What's covered

Accidental loss of, accidental damage to, malicious damage to or theft of issued kit, temporary issued kit and/or valuables and/or personal possessions.

### X What's not covered

The amount of the **excess** shown in **your** schedule.

Securities and Documents of any kind.

Damage caused by pets.

Theft of unattended **issued kit**, **temporary issued kit**, or **personal possessions** from road vehicles other than from a locked concealed luggage boot, concealed luggage compartment or glove compartment. Forcible and violent entry must be used to access the vehicle. The most **we** will pay for any one claim is £2,000.

Motor vehicles, trailers, caravans, trailer tents, tent boxes, drones, airborne, waterborne or underwater craft whether powered or not (other than windsurfers, sailboards and surfboards) and parts, accessories and fittings of any of these.

Any items with a value over £2,000.

Any **pedal cycles** or **valuables** over £1,000.

Theft of **pedal cycles** unless in a locked building or securely locked to an immovable object.

Loss of or damage to **pedal cycle** accessories unless caused by an accident to the **pedal cycle**, or unless the **pedal cycle** is stolen or damaged at the same time.

Electronic racing bikes.

Confiscation by Customs or other officials.

Loss of or damage to model aircraft/boats/cars and parachutes whilst in use.

Damage to **firearms** and sports equipment whilst in use.

Loss of or damage to ammunition.

Loss of or damage to **firearms** in the **home**, unless the **firearm** is unloaded, and stored and licensed according to Local Authority requirements.

Loss of items which are not in **your care**, **custody** and **control**. This does not apply to **personal possessions**, **kit**, and **temporary issued kit** which are left unattended in the **home** as long as the **home** is not **unoccupied** or **personal possessions**, **kit**, and **temporary issued kit** which are left unattended away from the **home** in the course of **your** military duty.

# Section 2 - contents in the home

### ✓ What's covered

- a) Accidental loss of, accidental damage to, malicious damage to, or theft of valuables and/or contents:
  - i) in the **home**
  - ii) in transit by professional removers or military transport (except when loaned to **you** for personal use) including storage in the ordinary course of transit
  - iii) in a storage facility but only in respect of fire, explosion, lightning, earthquake, smoke, flood and theft or attempted theft involving forcible and violent entry to or exit from the storage facility
  - iv) while temporarily removed from the **home** to any other private dwelling, hiring or married quarter, barrack or similar military establishment anywhere in the world, subject to a maximum of 25% of the sum insured for **contents** in the **home**.

## X What's not covered

The amount of the **excess** shown in **your** schedule except part a, ii where the **excess** is £150. An **excess** of £250 will be applied if the transit is within three months of the policy start date/date cover is added.

Securities and documents of any kind.

Damage caused by pets.

Theft of **contents** from unattended road vehicles other than from a locked concealed luggage boot, concealed luggage compartment or glove compartment. Forcible and violent entry must be used to access the vehicle. The most **we** will pay for any one claim is £2,000.

Any **valuables** over £1,000.

Motor vehicles, trailers, caravans, trailer tents, tent boxes, drones, airborne, waterborne or underwater craft (other than windsurfers, sailboards and surfboards) and parts, accessories and fittings of any of these.

Property insured by any other policy.

Any part of or fixtures to the structure of the **home** including, but not limited to, ceilings and wallpaper.

Household goods used for business or professional purposes.

Theft or malicious damage caused by you.

Theft by deception unless deception is used solely as a means to enter the **home**.

In respect of **unoccupied homes** only:

Theft of household goods and **valuables** unless involving entry to or exit from the locked **home** by forcible and violent means.

# ✓ What's covered

# X What's not covered

This exclusion applies to **homes** that are left: · Not furnished enough for normal living or • **Unoccupied** for more than 60 consecutive days (except 120 days if **you** are deployed for military service) If the above applies, the policy does not cover water damage from burst pipes/water tanks/ heating systems occurring between October and March, unless: The **homes** central heating system was left on set to a continuous minimum temperature of 14°C (57°F). b) Loss of or damage to food in a freezer up to Loss or damage to food in freezers caused by the £500 for any one claim. power supply authority or its employees deliberately cutting off or reducing the supply. c) Loss of, theft of or **accidental damage** to the Loss or damage that can be recovered under another insurance. Any motor vehicle keys. keys to external doors of the private dwelling, Keys damaged over time by wear and tear or single living accommodation or married general maintenance of insured keys or locks. quarter; Any insured keys that have been lost or stolen ii) we will pay the cost of replacing keys, for a period of less than 3 days (unless we are locks or lock mechanisms up to the value satisfied that a delay would cause undue hardship of £250 to alarm systems or domestic or significant expense). The decision as to what safes located in the **home**. constitutes undue hardship or significant expense

will be made by **us** and may depend upon whether **you** can access **your home** or vehicle during the 3 day wait period or there is a security risk following the loss or theft of the insured keys.

Keys that are lost or accidentally damaged by

someone other than **you**.

Loss of keys which are not in **your care**, **custody** and **control**.

## ✓ What's covered

## X What's not covered

d) If damage to **your contents** makes **your home** uninhabitable, **we** will pay:

- i) Reasonable costs for similar temporary accommodation
- ii) Reasonable costs to store **your** furniture

The maximum **we** will pay is 30% of **your** total insured amount for **contents**.

**We** will base the accommodation payment on the nearest equivalent place available to **your home** at the time of the incident.

**You** must get **our** agreement before paying any accommodation/storage expenses.

- e) **We** will pay £5,000 if **you** die as a direct result of injury caused by:
  - i) Fire, explosion, lighting or thieves in **home**
  - ii) An accident whilst travelling anywhere in the world as a fare paying passenger in any road or rail journey within 90 days of such injury happening.

Any costs an insured person would have to pay once the **home** can be lived in again.

### Claims settlement sections 1 and 2

If your insured property is lost, stolen or damaged, we can assist you in one of these ways:

- a) Replacement: **We** may choose to simply replace the lost, stolen or damaged item for **you**. If so, **we** will only pay the cost to get a replacement from one of **our** preferred suppliers. The replacement item can be a new or refurbished item of equivalent specification.
- b) Repair: **We** may choose to pay to have the damaged property repaired.
- c) Payment: We may choose to pay you the current monetary value of the lost, stolen or damaged property.

**We** will only pay up to the insured amount for any one claim.

# Wear and tear

When things are completely damaged and can't be fixed, **we** will pay to replace them without taking into account any reduction in value from wear and tear or aging, except for clothes and linens (other than service uniform and mess dress). Deduction will be calculated for items:

Over 1 year old – 10% deduction

Over 2 years old – 20% deduction

Over 3 years old – 30% deduction

Over 4 years old – 40% deduction

Over 5 years old - 50% deduction

Deduction capped at 50%

**We** want **you** to know that **our** assessment of **your** items and any deductions for wear and tear is based on a fair evaluation. **We** understand that some of **your** belongings might be considered special or in unique condition. If **you** consider **your** items fit into this category and request a more personalised assessment, kindly notify **us**. **We** will then require supplementary documentation from **you** to ascertain their age, value and condition.

# Valuables and jewellery

**We** will only pay up to £1,000 for any single **valuable** or piece of jewellery that is lost or damaged unless **we** have agreed to pay more in writing to **you**.

# **Underinsurance**

If the value of all **your** insured property is more than the amount **your** insurance policy covers shown on the policy schedule, **we** will reduce the amount **we** pay for any claims **you** make by the same percentage that **your** policy is underinsured. For example, if **your** policy only covers 80% of the cost to replace **your** property as new, **we** will only pay up to 80% of any claim **you** make.

# Matching sets & suites

We treat each individual piece as a separate item

- a) If one piece is damaged, we will try to repair just that piece or replace it with an identical new piece
- b) If we cannot repair/replace just the damaged piece, we will only pay for the value of that one damaged item
- c) We will not pay to replace the entire undamaged matching set

## **Matching carpets**

If **you** have the same carpet or floor covering in different rooms of **your home**, and they're separated by a break, **we** will treat each room as its own. **We** will only pay for the damaged part of the carpet or floor in the room where the damage happened, and **we** won't pay for the same carpet in the other rooms.

# Matching sets of jewellery & other items

**We** count things that come in pairs or sets as one item, except for bathroom, kitchen and furniture sets. So, if someone stole **your** bag of golf clubs, **we** would only pay for one item to replace the whole set, up to the maximum amount allowed. If **you** lost a pair of earrings, **we** would only count them as one item.

# **Section 3 - personal money and credit cards**

# ✓ What's covered

- a) **Personal money** up to £500.
- b) Financial loss up to £500 in respect of any one occurrence as a result of misuse by any unauthorised person following loss or theft of any **credit card** provided **you** comply with the terms under which the card was issued.

# **X** What's not covered

The amount of the **excess** shown in **your** schedule.

Securities.

Shortages due to error or omission.

Losses not reported to the police.

Losses of **credit cards** not reported to the card issuing company within 24 hours of discovery.

Theft from unattended road vehicles other than from a locked concealed luggage boot, concealed luggage compartment or glove compartment following forcible and violent entry to a securely locked vehicle.

# **Section 4 - tenants liability**

## ✓ What's covered

The insured's liability arising from an agreement to occupy Service Single Living Accommodation (SLA) as provided for under Tri-Service Accommodation Regulations JSP464, for **accidental damage** to the buildings, fixtures, fittings and household goods in the **home**, up to a maximum of £20,000 for any one claim or series of claims arising from any insured event.

## **X** What's not covered

The amount of the **excess** shown in **your** schedule.

Damage by any cause other than **accidental damage**.

Any claim that arises as a result of a deliberate action by **you** or anybody associated with **you**.

Damage occurring after **you** have vacated the **home**.

Damage to **valuables** and **personal money**.

Damage to vehicles and craft.

**Unoccupied** for more than 60 consecutive days (except 120 days if **you** are deployed for military.

# Claims settlement section 4

If the policy is not in force for the full period of the occupancy any liability will be adjusted pro rata to the period insured unless the liability relates to a specific reported incident of damage within the **period of insurance**.

The **excess** shall be applied to each and every claim.

# **Section 5 - personal liability**

### ✓ What's covered

Your legal liability:

- as occupier of **your home**
- as individuals

is to pay damages and costs to others following:

- accidental death, disease, illness or accidental physical injury to anyone
- accidental damage to physical property.

The most **we** will pay is the limit shown on **your** schedule plus defence costs agreed by **us** in writing.

### X What's not covered

Anything owned by **you** or for which **you** are legal responsible. Liability covered by Section 4 of this policy.

Injury, death, disease or illness caused by any dog described in section 1 of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 or article 3 of the Dangerous Dogs (Northern Ireland) order 1991 or any subsequent amendment to either of the aforementioned acts.

Your injury, death, disease or illness.

Liability arising from **your** employment, trade, profession or business.

Liability arising from **your** passing on any disease or virus.

Liability arising from **your** ownership or use of:

- any pedal cycles,
- any motor vehicle, including children's vehicles (other than garden machinery or wheelchairs),
- any boat, wet-bike, sand yacht, any form of drone, hovercraft, aircraft or train (other than hand propelled boats & models),
- gliders, hang gliders, caravans or trailers,
- · Firearm.

Liability arising from you owning land or buildings.

Liability accepted by **you** under any agreement, unless the liability would exist without the agreement.

Liability covered by any other policy.

# **General conditions (applicable to the policy)**

# 1. Monthly premium payment

Where **you** have agreed to pay **your** premium monthly, please note - If **you** miss a monthly payment, **we** will try to collect it on the 1st or 15th of the next month. If **we** can't collect it or if **you** cancel **your** payment, **your** insurance coverage will continue until the end of the last day **you** have paid. **We** will let **you** know if this happens.

Every year **we'll** check **your** policy and let **you** know if **we** have made any changes to the cover or price. **We** will tell **you** what will change and how much **your** monthly payment will be at least 14 days before **we** take payment from **you**.

# **General conditions**

# 1. Your duty to prevent loss or damage

- a) **You** and anyone else who is covered by this insurance must take reasonable care to avoid accidents, losses, or damage.
- b) Property must be under **your care**, **custody and control**.
- c) All property insured under this Policy shall be maintained in good condition.

### 2. Your claims duty

If something happens that could make **you** claim on this policy, **you** need to:

- Give **us** any information **we** need as soon as possible.
- Please use the correct telephone number as stated on page 4 of this document "how to make a claim" as soon as **you** know something has been lost or damaged.

# Our rights

- a) **We** won't pay for any claims made more than 90 days after the incident.
- b) **We** may appoint a loss adjuster or third party in assisting **us** in investigating **your** claim.
- c) We will arrange to repair the damage to your items and handle any recovery of costs appropriately.
- d) We won't cover claims that we think are reckless or fraudulent, such as claiming for any loss or damage you caused deliberately or with your knowledge, or claiming under the policy, knowing the claim to be false or fraudulent in any way.
- e) **We** have the right to take control of any legal action related to **your** claim, or **we** may take legal action ourselves to get payment or compensation. **We** will make all the decisions about how to handle the legal proceedings and any settlements. **You** can't give up **your** property to **us** to settle **your** claim.

If anything changes in **your** life, like **your** address or job, **you** need to tell **us** so **we** can check if **your** insurance policy still fits **your** needs. If **you** don't tell **us** or give **us** the wrong information, **your** claim amount may be reduced or **your** policy might not be valid at all. **You** also might not get any money back if **we** have to cancel **your** policy.

### 3. Other Insurance

If **you** claim under this policy for something which is also covered by another insurance policy, **you** must provide **us** with full details of the other insurance policy. **We** will only pay **our** share of any claim.

# 4. Sanctions

No cover shall be provided, and no payment shall be made under this policy, including return of premium, to the extent that such provision or payment would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition, or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions laws or regulations of the United Kingdom, European Union, United States of America, or any other jurisdiction whose laws are applicable to this contract. Our obligations shall be suspended for the duration of such exposure.

# General exclusions

This Policy does not cover

### 1. War risks

Any loss, damage, liability, cost or expense of any kind caused directly or indirectly by war, invasion or revolution.

### 2. Terrorism

Any loss, damage, liability, cost or expense of any kind directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any act of terrorism.

For the purposes of this exclusion, "terrorism" means the use, or threat of use, of biological, chemical and/ or nuclear force or contamination by any person(s), 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(s) or put any section of the public in fear.

### 3. Radioactive contamination

Any expense, legal liability or any loss or damage to property directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by:

- a. ionising radiation or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or waste which results from the burning of nuclear fuel
- b. the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of nuclear machinery or any part of it.

### 4. Sonic bangs

Any loss, damage, liability, cost or expense of any kind caused directly or indirectly by pressure waves from aircraft.

### 5. Pollution or contamination

Any claim or expense of any kind directly or indirectly caused by or arising out of pollution or contamination unless caused by:

- a sudden unexpected incident, or
- oil or water escaping from a fixed oil or fixed water installation, and which was not the result of an intentional act, and, which occurs during any **period of insurance**.

All pollution or contamination which arises out of one incident shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place.

## **6. General** (This Exclusion applicable only to Sections 1, 2 and 4)

Damage arising from wear, tear (see wear and tear section on page 13), depreciation, the action of light, atmospheric conditions, moth, vermin, infestation, damp, rust, wet or dry rot or any gradually operating cause, the process of cleaning, washing, repairing or restoring any article, electrical or mechanical breakdown or any indirect loss.

### 7. Deliberate act

Loss or damage caused intentionally by you.

# **Call recording**

For **our** joint protection all telephone calls may be recorded and/or monitored.

# Law applicable to contract

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

# Language

The contractual terms and conditions and other information relating to this contract will be in the English language

# **Your Personal Information**

Information about how Forces Mutual collect, use, share, transfer and store **your** personal information, and information about **your** rights in relation to the personal information which Forces Mutual hold about **you**, can be found in the terms of business provided in **your** new business documentation. Alternatively **you** can read Forces Mutual's full Privacy notice online at: www.forcesmutual.org/about/privacy-policy

**We** collect and maintain personal information in order to administer this policy and provide the service detailed within this policy wording. All personal information is safeguarded with appropriate levels of security and in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

**We** will only share **your** information in the following circumstances:

- It is allowed by law
- It has been authorised by **you**
- It is to prevent fraud

It is provided to recovery operators or other suppliers as required to fulfil **our** obligations in this policy wording and in which case **your** information will be limited to the minimum information ordinarily required.

Under the terms of the Data Protection Act **you** have the right to ask for a copy of any personal information **we** hold about **you**. **You** also have the right to ask for correction of any information held. Any inaccurate or misleading data will be corrected as soon as possible.

# **SiriusPoint International Insurance Corporation Privacy Notice**

Personal data provided in connection with this policy will be used and processed in line with Our Privacy Notice for Policyholders. A copy of this is available at:

https://www.siriuspt.com/uk-eu-privacy-notice-for-policyholders-8-oct-2021/

# **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

The Financial Services Compensation Scheme covers this policy. **You** may be entitled to compensation from this scheme if **we** cannot meet **our** liabilities under this policy. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available at www.fscs.org.uk or by telephoning 0207 741 4100.

# **Endorsements**

The following endorsements apply only if they are shown on **your** policy schedule under 'Endorsements Applicable to this Policy'.

### FFK001a - Increased Excess

The standard policy **excess** as shown against Section 1 and Section 2 on **your** schedule is increased from £60 to £100.

### FFK001b - Increased Excess

The standard policy **excess** in respect of **laptops**, iPads, tablets etc as shown against Section 1 on **your** schedule is increased from £125 to £175.

### FFK002a - Increased Excess

The standard policy **excess** as shown against Section 1 and (if selected) Section 2 on **your** schedule is increased from £60 to £200.

### FFK002b - Increased Excess

The standard policy **excess** in respect of **laptops**, iPads, tablets etc as shown against Section 1 on **your** schedule is increased from £125 to £200.

### FFK003a - Increased Excess

The standard policy **excess** as shown against Section 1 and (if selected) Section 2 on **your** schedule is increased from £60 to £250.

### FFK003b - Increased Excess

The standard policy **excess** in respect of **laptops**, iPads, tablets etc as shown against Section 1 on **your** schedule is increased from £125 to £250.

# FFK004 - Restricted Perils (exclusion of Accidental Loss/Damage)

The cover provided under the Service Equipment & Personal Possessions and Contents in the Home sections of this policy is restricted to the following:

Loss or damage caused by theft or attempted theft, fire, lightning, explosion, smoke, earthquake, flood, storm, escape of water or oil (from fixed installations), **malicious damage**, riot or civil commotion, subsidence, impact (by vehicles, aircraft or articles dropped therefrom), falling trees or parts thereof.

# FFK005 - Theft Cover Restriction

The insurance provided under the Service Equipment & Personal Possessions and Contents in the Home sections in respect of loss or damage due to theft or attempted theft is amended as follows:

Theft or attempted theft is not covered unless force and violence are used to get in to or out of **your home**.

# FFK006 - Valuables Exclusion

This insurance excludes loss of or damage to **valuables** (as defined in the policy wording), personal effects, money, **credit cards** and clothing.

# **FFK007 - Settings and Mountings**

Cover under this section is provided on condition that all jewellery settings, mountings, clips and fastening are inspected and overhauled by a competent jeweller at least once every 12 months, and evidenced in writing.

### FFK009 - Soft and Hard contact lenses

Cover in respect of Contact Lenses excludes Loss or damage whilst engaging in water sports. In the event of loss or damage by other causes replacement will be carried out to the original prescription only.

# FFK010 - Jewellery - Restricted cover in and out of safe

The cover provided by the Service Equipment & Personal Possessions and Contents in the Home Sections excludes loss of or damage to jewellery and / or watches where the sum insured exceeds the amounts shown below.

These restrictions will not apply where the jewellery and / or watches are;

- a) in the **home** in a locked safe approved by **us**
- b) in a locked safe at any **home you** are temporarily staying in
- c) whilst being worn or carried on **your** person or in a bedroom in **your** presence

(Total Limit £10,000).

# FFK011 - Jewellery - Restricted cover - no safe installed

The cover provided by the Service Equipment & Personal Possessions and Contents in the Home Sections excludes loss of or damage to any item of jewellery and / or watches where the sum insured exceeds the amounts below.

These restrictions will not apply whilst the items are being worn or carried on **your** person or in a bedroom in **your** presence.

(Total Limit £10,000)

# FFK012 - Security

For **us** to consider a claim, it is a condition of the insurance in respect of loss or damage to the insured property at the **home** caused by theft, malicious people or vandals that:

- 1. the final exit door is secured by a deadlock conforming to BS3621 or with a minimum of 5 levers, or a multi-point locking system which incorporates a lever or cylinder deadlock which is capable of being secured by a key from both sides of the door
- 2. patio or french windows: hinge type are secured by key operated security bolts operating vertically internally top and bottom sliding type are secured by key operated bolts fitted internally top and bottom
- 3. all other external doors are secured by deadlocks conforming of BS3621 or of a minimum 5 levers operation or key operated security bolts operating horizontally fitted internally top and bottom or multi-point locking systems which incorporate a lever or cylinder deadlock capable of being secured by a key from both sides of the door
- 4. all upper opening windows and skylights are fitted with key operated window locks if accessible from adjoining roofs or porches, walls, downpipes, balconies or external stairs
- 5. all ground floor and basement opening windows and any other ground floor openings to the **home** measuring more than 22.5cm x 22.5cm (9" x 9") are secured by key operated window locking devices
- 6. all doors on domestic outbuildings and garages are fitted with key operated security devices
- 7. all panes of glass in louvre windows are securely fixed with suitable adhesive into their brackets
- 8. all external doors and windows specified above must be secured using the security devices above whenever:
  - there is no person in charge of the **home** within the boundaries of the land belonging to the **home**
  - when **your** household retire at night locking devices on windows in occupied rooms need not to be brought into operation.

# FFK016 - Security

The **pedal cycles** listed on **your** schedule of insurance is not insured against theft or attempted theft when not in use or stored within the **home** unless locked to a permanent (cemented) structure or an appropriate **Pedal Cycle** Anchor Bolt (which is fitted to a cemented floor or brick wall as per the manufacturer's instructions) by a lock with a Sold Secure rating of bronze/silver/gold or above.

Whilst the **pedal cycle** is left unattended outside of the **home** it will need to be locked to a permanent (cemented) structure by a lock with a Sold Secure rating of bronze/silver/gold or above.



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