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## 1: Alarm clause:

This insurance does not cover theft:

when you have left the premises without an authorised occupant unless:

a) at all such times the intruder alarm has been put into full and effective operation,

and

b) the intruder alarm is kept in good working order throughout the **period of insurance** under a maintenance contract with a company which is a member of N.A.C.O.S.S. (National Approval Council for Security Systems), A.I.S.C. (Alarms Inspectorate and Security Council), S.S.A.I.B. (Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board) or Integrity 2000.

# 2: Bank or building societies interest clause:

The rights of the bank or building society who provided **your** mortgage will not be affected by anything **you** do to increase the risk of loss or damage to the **home** provided that they were unaware of such action. The bank or building society must write and tell **us** as soon as they become aware of any action **you** have taken to increase the risk of loss or damage. They may also have to pay an extra premium which **you** will have to repay them.

# 3: Business use extension clause:

In return for the payment of an extra premium Section four A(i) extends to include **your** legal liability, as defined in that Section, for using the **home** for the business purposes which are detailed in the schedule. However, **we** will not cover any liability arising out of advice given or services rendered in respect of **your** profession, occupation or business or employment.

# 4: Climatic conditions clause:

This insurance does not cover loss or damage caused by extremes of temperature or exposure to the light.

# 5: Contractors exclusion clause:

This insurance does not cover loss, damage or liability arising out of the activities of contractors.

#### 6: Flood exclusion clause:

Section one (Buildings) and Section two (Contents) of this insurance do not cover loss or damage caused by flood other than directly resulting from escape of water from fixed water tanks, apparatus or pipes as shown in number 4 of Section one and number 4 of Section two.

# 7: Hotel and motel clause:

This insurance does not cover theft or disappearance of Jewellery (including watches) from hotel or motel rooms during **your** absence from such rooms. Unless the Jewellery was kept in a locked safe and there is evidence of violent or forcible entry into the safe.

(This clause overrides exclusion (j) of the Personal Possessions section).

# 8: Index-linking clause:

The sums insured in Section one (Buildings) will be indexed each month in line with the following:

Section one **(Buildings)** The House Rebuilding Cost Index issued by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

We will not charge you an extra premium for any monthly increase, but at each renewal we will calculate the premium using the new sums insured. For your protection should the index fall below zero we will not reduce the sum insured.

# 9: Jewellery clause:

This insurance shall not cover loss of Jewellery (including watches) by theft or disappearance unless it is:

- a) Being worn;
- b) Deposited in a bank or locked safe with an adequate cash rating or Hotel/Motel safe; or
- c) Carried by hand and under your Personal supervision.

(This clause overrides exclusion (h) of Section 5 Personal Possessions).

## 10: Keys clause:

This insurance does not cover theft of Jewellery (including watches) from safe(s) unless **you** have removed the keys of the safe(s) from the **home** while **you** are absent from the **premises**.

## 11: Minimum security clause:

This insurance does not cover theft from the private dwelling of the **home** unless the undernoted minimum protections are fitted and operative.

- Final Exit Door: 5 Lever Mortise Deadlock or some other lock conforming to British Standard 3621 or in the case of UPVC Double glazing a key operated multi locking mechanism with at least 3 locking bolts.
- Other External Doors: A lock of the above calibre or the existing security supplemented with 2 key operated locking bolts.
- Patio Doors: In addition to a central locking device, key operated bolts to top and bottom opening sections or the central rail, or a purpose manufactured patio door lock.
- French Doors: A mortise lock of the calibre mentioned above in addition to the receiving section having 2 key operated bolts or 2 key operated bolts to both units.
- Windows: Key operated security locks to all ground floor/basement and other accessible windows. Ground/Basement windows are acceptable if fitted with security bars or lockable security grills.

# 12: Second Home clause:

This insurance does not cover theft from the private dwelling of the **home** unless mortise deadlocks are fitted to all external doors and are fully locked when **you** are absent from the **Home**.

# 13: Musical instruments clause:

This insurance does not cover the breakage of strings, reeds or drumheads forming part of musical instruments.

#### 14: Non-Standard construction clause:

It is agreed that the private dwelling of the home is not of standard construction.

#### 15: Premium finance cancellation clause:

Where reference in this **Policy** is made to the payment of the premium such reference shall include payment by **you** of the premium by instalments and if **you** have elected to pay the first and subsequent premium by such means, it is understood that the insurance remains an annual contract and if any premium is not received on or before its due date then all unpaid instalments shall become immediately due. Should the full premium not be paid within 14 days of the finance company giving written notice of default the cover granted by this insurance will be cancelled immediately upon expiry of such notice. Any return premium allowable under this **Policy** shall first be applied to the repayment of any instalment amounts which may be outstanding. If any additional premium becomes payable during the period of the insurance this can be collected by adjusting the payments outstanding under the present arrangements for the payment of premiums by instalments. Where an additional premium becomes payable and any instalment payments have been completed for the current year **you** will be required to settle this amount immediately.

# 16: Protections clause:

It is your duty to ensure that all protections provided for the security of the home and contents:

- > are maintained in good working order, and
- > are in full and effective operation whenever **you** are absent from the **premises**.

If **you** fail to comply with the above duties this insurance will become invalid in respect of loss or damage resulting from unauthorised entry.

## 17: Safe clause:

Within 14 days of inception of this insurance an appropriately rated safe must be installed at the home.

This insurance does not cover theft of Jewellery and watches from the **home** unless such items are kept in a safe with an adequate cash rating when **you** have left the **premises** without an authorised **occupant**.

## 18: Stamp clause:

We will only pay up to 75% of the Stanley Gibbons valuation in respect of any stamps that are lost or damaged.

#### **Special Claims requirement**

You are required to provide satisfactory evidence of the ownership and prior condition of the lost or damaged stamps.

# 19: Subsidence, heave or landslip exclusion clause:

Subsidence or heave of the site on which the **Buildings** stand or landslip as shown in number 9 of Section one **Buildings** and number 9 of Section two **Contents** is not covered by this insurance.

## 20: Theft limitation clause:

This insurance does not cover theft or attempted theft from the **home** other than as a result of violent and forcible entry or exit.

# 21: Unattended vehicles clause:

This insurance does not cover theft or disappearance of property from any vehicle when such vehicle is left unattended without an authorised occupant.

#### 22: Unoccupancy clause:

While the Buildings are unoccupied in excess of 30 consecutive days:

During the period 1st of October to 31st March:

- all main water and gas supplies must be turned off and drained from the system or appliance or
- the central-heating must be kept running to maintain a minimum temperature of 55°F (15°C);

This insurance excludes valuables, money and credit cards.

This insurance excludes theft or attempted theft from **your home** other than as a result of violent and forcible entry.

An authorised person must inspect the inside of your home every week.

A £350 excess shall apply to each claim other than subsidence, heave or landslip which remains as per the **Policy**.

# 23: Change of Occupancy clause:

It is a condition precedent to **our** liability that **you** or **your** authorised representative notify **us** if the **home** at the premises specified in the **schedule** becomes let under different circumstances or the nature of tenancy alters from that originally disclosed.

Upon receipt of this notice we reserve the right to amend the terms and conditions or cancel this Policy.

If you fail to comply with the above this Policy may become invalid.

## 24: Wine clause:

In consideration of the additional premium paid it is agreed that Section two extends to cover wine situated within the **Home** specified in the **schedule** (or specification attached) from any cause OTHER THAN AS EXCLUDED below or in the **schedule** 

This insurance excludes:

- a) loss or damage caused by corkfly, ullage, unexplained shortages, contamination and decolourisation, extremes of temperature or pecuniary loss caused by fall in market value: loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by water damage to labels;
- b) loss or damage caused by directly or indirectly by water damage to labels;
- c) any amount in excess of £100 any one bottle UNLESS otherwise stated in the specification attached to the **schedule**;
- d) Any amount in excess of the sum insured stated in the schedule;
- e) The first £100 of each and every claim.

It is warranted and so is a strict obligation that:

- i) All wine be racked and stored a minimum of 6 inches (15 centimetres) from the floor, and
- ii) All racking be securely fastened to a wall.

#### **Basis of valuation:**

In respect of items not separately specified in the **schedule** the basis of valuation shall be 75% of the Decanter Index.

# 25: Settings clause:

It is warranted that the settings are checked and repaired annually by a jeweller who is a member of the National Association of Goldsmiths.

# 26: Chimney clause:

It is **your** duty to ensure that:

- all chimneys and/or flues to solid fuel stoves, boilers and open fires are kept in a good state of repair and they must be professionally cleaned within 30 days of the inception date of this **Policy** or not more than 6 months since the last time they were professionally cleaned, whichever is the sooner. Thereafter **you** must have them cleaned at not more than 6 monthly intervals.
- you must keep in your possession the original dated receipts for all cleaning operations (including any cleaning operation prior to the inception of this insurance) for a period of 18 months. You will have to produce them for our inspection if we ask for them.
- for the purposes of this insurance "professionally" shall refer to an individual or company who are members of a recognised trade body.

If **you** fail to comply with any of the above duties this **Policy** may become invalid in respect of loss or damage caused by fire or smoke.

# 27: Limited Occupancy clause:

While the **Buildings** are not occupied for normal residential use or **you** have not moved into the **home**: During the period 1st of November to 31st March all main water and gas supplies must be turned off unless the central-heating system is kept running to maintain a minimum temperature 55°F (15°C);

This insurance excludes valuables, money and credit cards.

This insurance excludes theft or attempted theft from **your home** other than as a result of violent and forcible entry.

An authorised person must inspect the inside of your home every week.

A £350 excess shall apply to each claim other than subsidence or landslip which remains as per the Policy.

# 28: Flat Roof clause:

It is **your** duty to ensure that any areas of flat roof(s) shall be checked at **your** own expense at least every 5 years by an individual or company who are members of a recognised trade body and any faults rectified as soon as possible. In the event of a claim, evidence of the inspection plus any repairs, must be produced for the claim to be valid.

Additional **excesses** will apply if the flat roof exceeds 25% of the total roof area. The **excesses** are shown in **your** schedule.

# 29: Electrical Wiring clause:

The electricity supply system must be inspected and tested at least once every 10 years, or as stated on the Current Electrical Certificate, by a contractor approved by the National Inspection Council of Electrical Installing Contracting (NICEIC). Any faults found must be corrected in line with regulations of the Institute of Electrical Engineers. A certificate of compliance issued by the Inspector is to be produced at inception and lodged with the broker who placed this insurance after each inspection.

# 31: Bed and Breakfast clause:

In addition to being occupied by **you** for domestic purposes it is noted and agreed that the **home** is being used by **you** for a "Bed and Breakfast" business. The following restrictions and conditions apply:

Additional excess of £100.00 applies in addition to the total excess already applicable.

We will not pay for any loss or damage caused by Malicious Acts, Theft or attempted Theft unless there has been a forceful and/or violent entry or exit from the **Buildings**.

Excluding any loss of or damage to Contents or Personal Possessions belonging to any paying guest.

We will not cover your legal liability arising directly by, through or in connection with your Bed & Breakfast business activities, where separate Business Insurance is required by you.

## 32: Lodgers clause:

It is noted and agreed that **your home** is occupied by **you** and Lodgers. The following restrictions and conditions apply:

We will not pay for any loss of or damage to Contents or Personal Possessions belonging to the lodgers.

We will not pay for any loss or damage or legal liability whatsoever if either of the lodgers are in receipt of DSS benefits other than housing or disability benefits or are Students.

A further **excess** of £100.00 applies in addition to the total standard **excess** already applicable.

We will not pay for any loss or damage caused by malicious acts, theft or attempted theft unless there has been a forceful and/or violent entry to or exit from the Buildings.

# 33: Holiday Home clause:

It is noted and agreed that the **Buildings** are used by you as a second/holiday home.

Whilst the **Buildings** are not being used we will not pay for any loss or damage unless:

a) **You** have either maintained the operation of the central heating system in order to maintain an internal ambient temperature of 15 degrees centigrade or **you** have turned off and drained the water system.

b) You have kept the Buildings securely locked at all times.

c) An authorised person has inspected the inside of your home every week.

We will not pay for any loss or damage caused by malicious acts, theft or attempted theft unless there has been a forceful and/or violent entry to or exit from the **Buildings**.

We will not pay for loss of or damage to Valuables.

We will not pay for any Accidental Damage.

An additional **excess** of £250.00 applies (other than in respect of Subsidence Heave or Landslip) in addition to the total standard **excess** already applicable.

We will not pay for any loss or damage or legal liability if the **Buildings** become occupied by squatters, effective from the date of such occupation.

# 34: Limitation of Cover clause:

Any cover granted in respect of Sections 1 and 2 is now limited to fire, lightning, explosion, aircraft and impact only and Section 4 legal liability to the public in respect of the **home** as stated in the schedule.

# 35: Valuables clause – Proof of Purchase or Valuation Condition:

Section two and Section five (If cover appears on your schedule).

This insurance does not cover loss of or damage to specified items shown in **your schedule** that have a value of more than  $\pounds 3,000$  unless **you** can provide **us** with a copy of the original purchase receipt or an official valuation of the item which is no more than 3 years old at the time **you** submit **your** claim.

# 36: Pedal Cycles and Electric Bikes High Value clause:

Section two and Section five (If cover appears on your schedule).

This insurance does not cover theft or attempted theft of any single pedal cycle or electric bike valued at over £500 unless:

- a) the pedal cycle or electric bike is kept in a locked building and there is physical evidence of violent forcible entry to or exit from the Building, or
- b) the pedal cycle or electric bike is secured through the frame to an immovable object by a Sold Secure gold rated lock designed for pedal cycles.