### TAXI EXCESS PROTECTION INSURANCE

#### INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing Taxi Excess Protection Insurance.

It's important that you read this wording 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. Please make sure that you keep this policy wording and your policy schedule in a safe place in case you need to look at them later.

This insurance is arranged by Strategic Insurance Services Limited and is underwritten by Collinson Insurance. Collinson Insurance (a trading name of Astrenska Insurance Limited) is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority in the United Kingdom, under Firm Reference Number 202846. Registered in England number 01708613.

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In return for the payment of **your** premium **we** will provide the insurance cover detailed in this policy document, subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations shown below or as amended in writing by **us** and during the **period of insurance**.

### FAIR PRESENTATION OF RISK

You must make a fair presentation of the risk which you wish to insure with us. This condition applies before both the start and renewal of your policy, and also if any changes are required during the period of insurance. If you do not make a fair presentation, we may take the following action:

- If the failure was deliberate or reckless:
  we can treat your policy as if it never existed and keep the premium;
- 2) If the failure was not deliberate or reckless and
  - a) we would not have provided cover had you made a fair presentation we can treat your policy as if it never existed and return your premium;
    or
  - b) we would have issued cover on different terms had you made a fair presentation we can reduce any claims payment by the proportion that the correct premium had been underpaid and/or apply any additional terms that we would have imposed had you made a fair presentation of the risk.

These entitlements will apply either from the start of the policy, the date of variation, or from the date of renewal, depending on the nature and timing of the misrepresentation.

# **CHANGES IN RISK**

You must tell us straight away if anything you have already told us changes or if there is any new information that increases the risk of any loss insured under your policy.

We do not have to accept any request to make changes to your policy and your policy will come to an end from the date of the change unless we agree in writing to accept an alteration. If we accept any alteration to your policy, an increase in the premium or different terms or conditions of cover may be required by us.

## **COOLING OFF PERIOD**

You have the right to cancel this policy within 14 days of the date of issue or receipt of the terms and conditions, whichever is later. We will refund to you any premium you have paid to us. You can cancel this policy after 14 days, but we will not give you back any premium.

To cancel this policy please contact the broker who sold it to you.

## JURISDICTION AND LAW

This insurance will be governed by the laws of England, whose courts alone shall have jurisdiction in any dispute arising from this insurance.

### **DEFINITIONS**

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

Annual Claim Limit The most we will pay in the period of insurance as shown in your policy schedule.

Business Use Class 3 You and any named driver(s) using the motor vehicle for business or to deliver pre-

purchased goods. This also includes anyone who uses the motor vehicle to travel

from customer to customer on commercial business.

**Commercial Use** You and any named driver(s) using the motor vehicle as a taxi, minicab,

limousine or driving school or being used for commercial use by sales

representatives who have use and responsibility for their own company vehicle.

Excess The amount you must pay under the terms of your motor insurance policy.

Imminent Claim An incident that could give rise to a claim under this policy that you are or were

aware of before the start date of this policy that was to be or had just been reported

under your motor insurance policy.

Incident A claim under your motor insurance policy during the period of insurance.

Motor Insurance Policy The insurance policy issued by a motor insurer that covers your motor vehicle for

social, domestic, pleasure, commuting, commercial use, or business use up to

business use class 3.

**Motor Insurer** An authorised UK motor insurer.

Motor Vehicle BUSINESS CAR (not being an invalid carriage) constructed for the carriage of

passengers and their effects and is adapted to carry no more than 17 passengers that is used for personal and/or commercial business of which you are the owner or which

you are authorised to drive.

Named Driver(s) The people allowed to drive your motor vehicle under the terms of your motor

insurance policy.

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

Policy Schedule The separate document we send you that includes details about you and what you

are covered for.

Waived or Reimbursed Where a third party has already paid the excess shown in your motor insurance

policy.

We/Us/Our/Insurer Collinson Insurance.

You/Your/Insured Person The person named in the policy schedule and the motor insurance policy.

# WHAT IS COVERED

- 1. This policy covers the excess amount that you have to pay for any successful claims made for damage, destruction, or loss of your motor vehicle under your motor insurance policy. The claims can be for accidents, fire, theft, or vandalism. If the accident was your fault, the claim will be settled when the claim handler receives the settlement letter from your motor insurer, proof of your excess payment and a copy of your motor insurance policy schedule. If you are partially or not at fault and your excess amount is not recovered from the other party within six months of the incident date, we will reimburse the excess payment you made, up to the annual claim limit stated in your policy schedule.
- 2. This policy only comes into effect when the excess amount of your motor insurance policy has been exceeded and a successful claim payment has been made.
- 3. The most we will pay under this policy is the annual claim limit stated in your policy schedule. Once this limit is reached, the policy is automatically cancelled, and you will be responsible for paying all future excess amounts as shown in your motor insurance policy.

## WHAT IS NOT COVERED (EXCLUSIONS)

- 1. Any claim that the motor insurance policy does not accept or where the excess is not exceeded.
- 2. Any claim that is refused under your motor insurance policy.
- 3. Any claim unless relating to your motor vehicle as detailed on your policy schedule.

- 4. Any claim where the motor vehicle is being used:
  - a) For **commercial use**, **business use class 3** or hire and reward unless **your motor vehicle** has been declared as a Taxi.
  - b) In any competition, trial, performance test, race or trial of speed, including off-road events, whether between **motor vehicles** or otherwise, and irrespective of whether this takes place on any circuit or track, formed or otherwise, and regardless of any statutory authorisation of any such event.
  - c) For any purpose in connection with the motor trade.
- 1. Any claim under your motor insurance policy which happened before the period of insurance that you were aware was an imminent claim.
- Any claim notified to us more than 31 days following the successful settlement of your claim under the motor insurance policy.
- 3. Any contribution or deduction from the settlement of **your** claim against the **motor insurance policy** other than the stated policy **excess** for which **you** have been made liable.
- 4. Any claim that has been waived or reimbursed.
- 5. Any liability that you accept by agreement or contract unless you would have been liable anyway.
- 6. Any claim arising from glass repair or replacement.
- 7. Any claim arising from breakdown or mis-fuel.
- 8. Any claim resulting from war and/or terrorism.
- 9. Any claim resulting from:
  - Ionising radiation or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste which results from burning nuclear fuel.
  - Radioactive, toxic, explosive, or other dangerous properties of any nuclear machinery or any part of it.

#### CONDITIONS APPLICABLE

- 1. Your Taxi Excess Protection insurance policy will remain in effect for the period of insurance or until the annual claim limit is exhausted; whichever comes first.
- 2. Your motor insurance policy must be maintained, current and valid.
- 3. The **insured person** stated on the **policy schedule** must match the **insured person** on the **motor insurance** policy.
- 4. Right of Recovery we can take proceedings in your name but at our expense to recover for our benefit the amount of any payment made under this policy.
- 5. Other Insurance If **you** were covered by any other insurance for the **excess** payable following the **Incident**, which resulted in a valid claim under this policy, **we** will only pay **our** proportionate share of the claim.
- 6. You and any named drivers must take reasonable steps to safeguard against loss or additional exposure to loss.
- 7. We will only give you the cover that is described in this policy if you have complied with the terms and conditions under your motor insurance policy and all the terms and conditions of this insurance policy, as far as they apply.
- 8. All **named drivers** must have a current full and valid UK driving license or hold a full internationally recognised license.
- 9. This insurance is only valid if **you** are a permanent resident of the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.
- 10. We have the right to approach any third party in relation to your claim.
- 11. **We** shall not provide cover or be liable to pay any claim or other sums, including return premiums, where this would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions, asset freezing or trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom, and/or all other jurisdictions where **we** transact business.

#### HOW TO MAKE A CLAIM

Your Taxi Excess Protection claim will be handled on the insurer's behalf by Davies Group Limited.

When **you** become aware of a possible claim under this policy, **you** need to report it to **us** right away. **You** must report it within 31 days of the successful settlement of **your** claim under the **motor insurance policy**.

To make a Taxi Excess Protection claim, go to:

https://excessprotectionclaims.davies-group.com.

It's the fastest and easiest way to submit **your** claim. If **you** don't have internet access, call **us** on 0344 856 2359 to inform **us** about **your** claim.

#### **CANCELLATION BY US**

We shall not be bound to accept renewal of any insurance and may at any time cancel any insurance policy by giving 14 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) Where we reasonably suspect fraud.
- b) Non-payment of premium.
- c) Threatening and abusive behaviour.
- d) Non-compliance with policy terms and conditions.
- e) You have not taken reasonable care to provide complete and accurate answers to the questions we ask.

Where **our** investigations provide evidence of fraud or a serious non-disclosure, **we** may cancel the policy immediately and backdate the cancellation to the date of the fraud or the date when **you** provided **us** with incomplete or inaccurate information, which may result in **your** policy being cancelled from the date **you** originally took it out.

If we cancel the policy and/or any additional covers you will receive a refund of any premiums you have paid for the cancelled cover, less a proportionate deduction for the time we have provided cover, unless the reason for cancellation is fraud and/or we are entitled to keep the premium under the Consumer Insurances (Disclosure and Representations) Act 2012.

### **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.

## **COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE**

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

- 1. If your complaint is about the sale of your policy, contact the broker who sold you the policy.
- 2. If your complaint is about a claim you made, contact Davies Group:

• Email: customer.care@davies-group.com

• Tel: 0344 856 2015

We will respond to your complaint within four weeks of receiving it. Our response will be our final decision based on the information provided. If there's a delay in our investigations, we'll explain the reason and give you an estimated timeframe for reaching a decision.

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

Following this complaints procedure does not stop you from taking legal action.

#### 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.

#### **DATA PROTECTION**

#### How We Use the Information About You

As a data controller, we collect and process information about you so that we can provide you with the products and services you have requested. We also receive personal information from your agent on a regular basis while your policy is still live. This will include your name, address, risk details and other information which is necessary for us to:

- Meet our contractual obligations to you.
- Issue you this insurance policy.
- Deal with any claims or requests for assistance that you may have.
- Service your policy (including claims and policy administration, payments, and other transactions).
- Detect, investigate, and prevent activities which may be illegal or could result in **your** policy being cancelled or treated as if it never existed.
- Protect our legitimate interests.

In order to administer your policy and deal with any claims, your information may be shared with trusted third parties. This will include members of The Collinson Group, third party administrators, contractors, investigators, crime prevention organisations and claims management organisations where they provide administration and management support on our behalf. Some of these companies are based outside of the European Union where different data privacy laws apply. Wherever possible, we will have strict contractual terms in place to make sure that your information remains safe and secure.

We will not share your information with anyone else unless you agree to this, or we are required to do this by our regulators (e.g., the Financial Conduct Authority) or other authorities.

The personal information **we** have collected from **you** will be shared with fraud prevention agencies and databases who will use it to prevent fraud and money-laundering and to verify **your** identity. If fraud is detected, **you** could be refused certain services, finance, or employment. Further details of how **your** information will be used by **us** and these fraud prevention agencies and databases, and **your** data protection rights, can be found by visiting https://cifas.org.uk/fpn and https://insurancefraudbureau.org/privacy-policy.

## Processing your data

Your data will generally be processed on the basis that it is:

- Necessary for the performance of the contract that you have with us.
- Is in the public or your vital interest: or.
- For our legitimate business interests.

If we are not able to rely on the above, we will ask for your consent to process your data.

# How we store and protect your information

All personal information collected by **us** is stored on secure servers which are either in the United Kingdom or European Union. **We** will need to keep and process **your** personal information during the period of insurance and after this time so that **we** can meet **our** regulatory obligations or to deal with any reasonable requests from **our** regulators and other authorities.

We also have security measures in place in our offices to protect the information that you have given us.

# How you can access your information and correct anything which is wrong.

You have the right to request a copy of the information that we hold about you. If you would like a copy of some or all of your personal information, please contact us by email or letter as shown below:

Email address: data.protection@collinsongroup.com Postal Address: 3 More London Riverside, London, SE1 2AQ This will normally be provided free of charge, but in some circumstances, we may either make a reasonable charge for this service or refuse to give you this information if your request is clearly unjustified or excessive.

We want to make sure that your personal information is accurate and up to date. You may ask us to correct or remove information you think is inaccurate.

If you wish to make a complaint about the use of your personal information, please contact our Complaints manager using the details above. You can also complain directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). Further information can be found at https://ico.org.uk.