

Police

Legal Expenses Group Insurance Policy

Policy Wording



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LEGAL EXPENSES GROUP INSURANCE

Comprehensive legal expenses insurance for you

Thank you for choosing to insure with Temple Legal Protection. We have designed this policy as a comprehensive legal expenses product to help protect you against legal problems which can occur as a result of your day-to-day life. As the cost of legal actions can be great both in terms of time involved and cost, this policy is designed to provide valuable peace of mind.

This policy document explains the insurance contract between you and us. Please take time to read through this document and in particular take note of the correct procedures to follow.

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HELPLINE SERVICES

In the event of a personal legal problem, you can take advantage of our confidential legal advice helpline which can advise on your legal position and what course of action is available to you. When phoning, please have available your policy number or the name of the insurance provider you purchased this policy from.

Legal Advice Service

This service provides you with access to qualified specialists experienced in handling a range of personal legal problems affecting you under UK law.

You can obtain confidential legal advice by phoning **01483 954 080**. This helpline is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Counselling Service

This service provides access to qualified, experienced and professionally accredited counsellors who will provide telephone support on matters causing you distress, either at home or in the workplace.

Support can be provided on issues such as depression, stress, financial difficulties, family problems or the psychological effects of suffering or witnessing an accident at work.

This helpline is available by phoning 01483 954832 and is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Legal Document Service

Create your own legal documents to assist in an extensive range of personal legal situations.

To access this facility visit the following website:

www.temple-legal.co.uk/legal-services-personal

Please use the access code detailed on the schedule. If you have not accessed this service before, you will need to register as a new user.

Using the helpline services does not register formal notification of a claim. Please follow the claims reporting procedure detailed on page 5 of this policy document.

MAKING A CLAIM

Whilst certain legal problems can be successfully resolved by using expert guidance provided by the helpline services, other problems may result in you needing to notify us of a claim under this policy.

If you need to make a claim, please note the following:-

- 1. This is a claims made policy and only claims notified during the period of insurance can be considered.
- 2. You must notify a claim as soon as you first become aware of a situation which has given rise to a claim under this policy. Failing to act as quickly as possible could prejudice the case and lead to rejection of your claim.
- 3. We will not pay any costs incurred before your claim is accepted. You will be responsible for any costs incurred if you instruct your own solicitor, barrister, accountant or other legally qualified person without our agreement.
- 4. Claims should be notified as follows:

Personal Claims Department

All other claims should be notified to the Personal Claims Department by phoning **01483 954 089** between the hours of 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Completed claim form should be returned to us as soon as possible:-

by email: bteclaims@temple-legal.co.uk

or by post: Personal Claims Department, Temple Legal Protection Limited,

One Bell Court, Leapale Lane, Guildford GU1 4LY

5. Once your claim form has been assessed, we will advise whether your claim has been accepted and if a representative is to be appointed to progress your claim.

As part of this assessment we will need to determine how likely you are to be successful in your claim. You may be asked to provide additional information which could include, but not strictly limited to: copies of any communication you have sent or received, copies of your motor insurance documents and details of insurance held by any other parties involved in an accident, contact details of witnesses or police, medical reports, expert reports and any other information relevant to the claim.

Please note that prospects of success must exist throughout the duration of the claim and cover could be withdrawn if at any point it is no longer likely that your claim will succeed. This may happen if new evidence or information comes to light as the claim progresses.

6. If your claim is not accepted, we will explain the reason why and advise if we can assist in any other way.

Please also refer to the Claims Conditions on pages of this policy document.

DEFINITIONS

Certain words or phrases will appear throughout this policy in **bold type** and will have the following meanings.

Agent

Philip Williams & Company.

Appointed representative

A solicitor, barrister, accountant or other appropriately qualified person or firm appointed by the **Insurer** to act for the **Insured** in accordance with the terms of this policy.

Co-insurance

The amount specified in the schedule, expressed as a percentage of the **Professional expenses** that shall be payable by the **Insured**, in addition to any **Excess**, if the **Insured** chooses a representative, other than an **Appointed representative** chosen by the **Insurer**, where that representative does not agree to the **Insurer**'s standard charging rates.

Excess

The amount specified in the schedule, which is the first amount of a claim that shall be payable by the **Insured**.

Insured

Section 1 Member Only

Section 2-10: **Member**, **Partner** and any members of the **Member's** family who permanently live with them in the **Territorial limits**.

Insured event

A section of cover highlighted in the schedule as 'Included'.

Insured Vehicle

A vehicle that the Member owns or is legally responsible for including any caravan or trailer whilst being legally towed.

Insurer

Temple Legal Protection Limited who are authorised under a binding authority agreement to underwrite and administer this insurance on behalf of Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd.

Limit of indemnity

The limit specified in the schedule, which is the **Insurer's** maximum liability under this policy in respect of:

- (a) any one claim arising at the same time or from the same originating cause;
- (b) the aggregate for all claims notified during the Period of Insurance

Recognised Police Representative Bodies

Police Federation of England and Wales, Superintendents Association, NPCC, Unison, GMB, PCS of any other recognised trade union representing police staff

Member

All eligible individuals who are members of a relevant Group Insurance and who have paid the appropriate subscription and reside in the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or Isle of Man.

Partner

The member's cohabiting partner who lives at the same address and shares financial responsibilities, excluding business partners or associates.

Period of insurance

The period shown in the schedule.

Policyholder

The appointed Trustees of the Police Federation Insurance Scheme as shown in the policy schedule.

Professional expenses

In connection with an **Insured event** and not exceeding the **Limit of indemnity**:

- (a) Fees, expenses and other disbursements reasonably and proportionately incurred by the Appointed representative and agreed by the Insurer.
- **(b)** Opponent's costs in civil cases for which the **Insured** becomes liable and which are agreed by the **Insurer**.

Professional expenses payable by the **Insurer** shall not include any VAT that may be recoverable by the **Insured**.

Prospects of success

- (a) In civil cases it must be more likely than not that:
 - (i) the Insured will achieve a successful outcome in the pursuit or defence of their claim; and
 - (ii) the Insured will succeed in enforcing
 - a judgment for damages or compensation or obtain any other legal remedy to which the **Insurer** has agreed.
- **(b)** In criminal prosecution claims it must be more likely than not that:
 - (i) the Insured's sentence or fine will be successfully mitigated if they plead guilty;
 - (ii) the **Insured** will be acquitted by the court or jury if they plead not guilty.
- (c) In all civil and criminal claims involving an appeal it must be more likely than not that the **Insured** will be successful.

In all cases the **Insurer** or a suitably qualified expert acting on the **Insurer's** behalf will assess and decide whether there are **Prospects of success**.

Territorial limits

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

WHAT YOU ARE INSURED FOR

In return for payment of the premium and based on the information which the Insured or anyone acting on the Insured's behalf has provided to the Insurer, the Insurer will provide insurance and services on the terms contained in this policy, the schedule and any attached endorsements, which shall be considered as one document.

The Insurer agrees to indemnify the Insured up to the Limit of indemnity for Professional expenses incurred for an accepted claim, less any applicable Excess and/or Co-insurance, subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of this policy, provided that:

- (i) the claim arises under an Insured event;
- (ii) the circumstances giving rise to the claim commence during the Period of insurance and within the Territorial limits:
- (iii) the claim is notified to the Insurer as soon as possible and during the Period of insurance;
- (iv) any proceedings, or other methods the Insurer agrees to resolve the claim, are conducted within the Territorial limits; and
- (v) Prospects of success exist for the duration of the claim.

INSURED EVENTS

Please refer to your schedule to see which covers are included.

Member Cover

Section 1

Criminal Prosecution Defence What is covered What is not covered Defending the Insured's legal rights following an Any claim relating to: event which leads to: Professional Expense in excess of £2,500 (i) the **Insured** being interviewed by the Police relating to interviews under caution; or other prosecuting authority where the Insured is suspected of committing a (ii) A motoring offence; criminal offence: (iii) Professional Expenses payable by the **Insured** in excess of the pre-conviction (ii) the Insured being prosecuted in a criminal assessed income-based contribution under the court. Crown Court Means Testing scheme following For **Professional Expenses** up to the value of any conviction. assessed income-based contribution payable by the Insured under the Crown Court Means Testing (iv) Professional Expenses where the Insured fails scheme. to: a. apply for a Representation Order under the Crown Court Means Testing scheme b. submit any required information under the Crown Court Means Testing scheme the terms of c. comply with Representation Order d. uses a representative that can act under the terms of a Representation Order under the Crown Court Means Testing scheme. The defence of any action, enforcement, or recovery

Testing scheme.

of sums payable against an **Insured** under the terms of or for a breach of the terms and conditions of a Representation Order under the Crown Court Means

Member, Partner & Family Cover

Section 2 Personal Injury

What is covered	What is not covered
Pursuing the Insured's legal rights following a sudden or specific accident which causes death or injury to the Insured within the Territorial Limits ;	Any claim relating to: (i) Psychological injury or mental illness which is
Providing the claim is the result of a sudden and specific incident and not a result of a gradually	not connected with the Insured having suffered physical bodily injury;
developing illness or injury.	(ii) Clinical or medical negligence

Section 3 Home Rights

What is covered	What is not covered
A dispute relating to the Insured's principal home and/or personal possessions owned by the Insured in relation to: (a) the interference of the Insured's use, enjoyment or right over their principal home and the land on which it is permanently located (if the dispute relates to the boundary of the Insured's principal home, the Insured must have evidence of where that boundary lies) including the trespass and nuisance of others;	 Any claim relating to: (i) A contract the Insured has entered into, or a tenancy agreement or a licence to occupy property; (ii) Disputes over rent, tax, planning or building regulations or decisions, compulsory purchase orders or actual or proposed works by or on behalf of any government, public or local authority;
(b) an event which causes physical damage to the Insured's principal home and/or personal possessions of the Insured while residing at the principal home (the Insurer will not defend a claim but will defend a counter-claim); Providing that:	 (iii) Land or buildings which do not form part of the Insured's principal home; (iv) Motor vehicles which are owned by, or hired or leased to the Insured; (v) Mining, subsidence, landslide or heave.
(i) the amount in dispute is more than £100.	

Section 4 Consumer Disputes

What is covered	What is not covered
A dispute arising from an agreement which has been entered into by the Insured for the:	Any claim relating to: (i) Leases, tenancies or licences to occupy
(a) purchase or hiring in of goods or services;(b) sale of goods. Providing that:	property; (ii) Construction work on land or extending or converting buildings where the value of the contract is more than £6,000 (including VAT);
(i) the amount in dispute is more than £250, and(ii) the agreement is of a personal capacity and not for the Insured's business use.	(iii) Contracts governed by the Consumer Credit Act, loans, hire purchase agreements, mortgages, pensions or any other financial product;

- (iv) Motor vehicles which are owned by, or hired or leased to the Insured;
- (v) Disputes over an insurance contract;
- (vi) Disputes with local or government authorities.

Section 5 Uninsured Loss Recovery

What is covered What is not covered Uninsured Loss Recovery Any claim Following a Non-fault accident, the Insurer will Where the negligent party cannot be traced or (i) arrange and pay for an Appointed representative to does not hold valid motor insurance. In these pursue the recovery of Uninsured losses from the circumstances, the Insurer may be able to refer negligent party for: an Insured to the Motor Insurance Bureau, provide which can sometimes limited (a) damage to the Insured vehicle; compensation for these claims. (b) damage to an Insured's property inside the Insured vehicle; (ii) Professional expenses brought or conducted outside of the Territorial Limits. (c) a policy excess payable by the Insured to make a claim for accidental damage under their **Insured vehicle** insurance policy: (d) any other financial loss reasonably incurred by an Insured as a direct result of the nonfault accident. providing that the claim is brought and conducted in

Section 6 Confirmation

the Territorial Limits.

What is covered	What is not covered
Pursuing civil legal action in relation to a confirmation dispute involving the will of the Insured parents, grandparents or children where the Insured is a beneficiary of the will.	Any claims relating to an intestate estate, where a will can not be traced or has not been concluded

Section 7 Employment

Wh	at is covered	What is not covered
(a)	Professional Expenses in relation to advice and guidance during any formal internal employment proceedings, including any settlement or compromise negotiations or during ACAS Early Conciliation negotiations, up to £250.	Any claims that do not relate to the Insured's primary employment
(b)	The pursuit of a dispute with the Insured's employer	

Provided the **Insured** has co-operated fully with the ACAS statutory Code of Practice on Disciplinary and Grievance procedures and has not acted in a way which could hinder a successful outcome to the claim.

Section 8 Jury Service

What is covered	What is not covered
The Insured person's lost wages or salary, up to a maximum of £1,000, following their absence from work to attend jury service	Sums which are recoverable from the court or tribunal.

Section 9 Taxation

What is covered	What is not covered
Representing the Insured in meetings and negotiations necessary with HMRC following a formal notice to carry out a tax enquiry into the whole of the Insured's self assessment tax return; Provided all tax returns and submissions: (i) are complete and correct and contain no deliberate or reckless misstatements or any intention to deceive the relevant authorities; and (ii) are made within statutory time limits.	 Any claim relating to: (i) Business tax affairs or any claims where the Insured is self-employed, a sole-trader or in a business partnership; (ii) Routine treatment of matters which are not connected with a formal investigation or do not arise from an expression of dissatisfaction with

Section 10 Identity Theft

Wh	at is covered	What is not covered
(a)	Professional expenses arising from identity theft:	Any claim relating to:
	(i) to defend a claim from a financial institution, merchants or their collection agencies;	(i) The Insured's business, profession or occupation;
	(ii) in relation to the removal of any criminal or civil judgements wrongly entered against the Insured .	(ii) Any fraudulent, dishonest or criminal acts by an Insured, or any other person acting in collusion with an Insured.
	(iii) to challenge the accuracy or completeness of any information in a credit reference agency report;	
	(iv) to create documents needed to prove the	

Insured's innocence in terms of any financial irregularities committed unlawfully.

- (c) Postal and phone costs the Insured incurs dealing with financial institutions, the Police and credit reference agencies to report or discuss Identity theft;
- (d) Fees charged to an Insured for reapplying for a loan which has been rejected due to the original application being rejected solely because the lender received incorrect information
- (e) The Insured's loss of earnings following absence from work to attend meetings with the Police, financial institutions or credit reference agencies to report or discuss Identity theft

provided that the **Insured** on discovery their identity has been stolen:

- (i) files a Police report within 48 hours;(ii) contacts the legal advice helpline
- (iii) advise the relevant financial institutions, payment card company(ies) and all other accounts know of the identity theft as soon as possible;
- (iv) provides authorisation to obtain records and other necessary information;
- (v) provide with evidence of any lost wages, demands notices, summonses, complaints or legal papers received in relation to the theft: and
- (vi) take all necessary actions to prevent further damage to their identity.

CLAIMS CONDITIONS

Please ensure the following conditions are understood and where required to do so, are complied with at all times. Failure to do so may result in the **Insurer** refusing to pay **Professional expenses**. Please also follow the claims reporting procedure on page 5 of this policy document.

1. The Insurer's consent

- (a) After consideration of the claim form and any other information that has been requested, the **Insurer** will advise whether consent is given to appoint an **Appointed representative** and to incur **Professional expenses**.
- (b) Consent will only be given if the **Insured** has acted properly and reasonably at all times and the **Insurer** is satisfied there are **Prospects of success**, which must exist throughout the duration of the claim.
- (c) When consent is given, the **Insurer** may impose conditions on the conduct of the claim including imposing a maximum amount of **Professional expenses** that may be incurred without further application to the **Insurer**. Any **Professional expenses** incurred in breach of such conditions will not be covered under this policy.
- (d) If the Insured proceeds with a claim to which the Insurer has not consented due to insufficient Prospects of success and the Insured subsequently achieves a successful outcome in that claim, the Insurer will consider paying Professional expenses, after such consent had been refused, in accordance with the Insurer's standard terms of appointment and subject to all other terms and conditions of the policy.

2. Appointed representative

- (a) Once a claim is accepted by the **Insurer**, an **Appointed representative** chosen by the **Insurer** will be appointed to act on the **Insured's** behalf.
- (b) In certain circumstances, the **Insured** may nominate a representative to act as the **Appointed** representative:
 - if legal proceedings need to be issued; or
 - if there is a conflict of interest;

and in such cases the **Insured** must send the **Insurer** the contact details of their chosen representative. If that representative is not an **Appointed representative** of the **Insurer**, they will be expected to act in accordance with the **Insurer's** standard terms of appointment and also agree to the **Insurer's** standard charging rates. If the **Insured's** chosen representative does not agree to the **Insurer's** standard charging rates, a 40% **Co-insurance** shall apply. A copy of the standard terms of appointment (including standard charging rates) is available on request.

- (c) The Appointed representative must co-operate with the Insurer at all times and provide the Insurer with any information or documentation when requested to do so.
- (d) If at any stage of the claim:-
 - the Insured dismisses the Appointed representative without good reason; or
 - the Insured withdraws from a claim without the Insurer's consent; or
 - the **Appointed representative** refuses to continue acting for the **Insured** with good reason; the **Insurer** reserves the right to withdraw consent and pay no further **Professional expenses**.
- (e) Any dispute over the **Insured's** choice of representative shall be resolved in accordance with **General Conditions 4**.

3. Conduct of claims

The **Insured** must:

- (a) co-operate fully with the **Insurer** and the **Appointed representative** at all times;
- (b) conduct all claims with the same care and economy as if they were not insured;
- (c) minimise the cost of all claims;
- (d) comply with all rules of, and orders made by the court, and any advice given by the **Appointed** representative;
- (e) provide, obtain or sign all documents as necessary, attend meetings or hearings as required and provide the **Insurer** with any information when requested to do so.

Failure to observe and comply with these terms will entitle the **Insurer**, at their discretion, to deny payment or reduce payment in respect of any claim.

The **Insured**, the **Insurer**, and the **Appointed representative** must at all times have regard to the overriding objective of the Civil Procedure Rules.

4. Developments during the claim including offers of settlement

- (a) The Insured and the Appointed representative must keep the Insurer up-to-date with the progress of the claim and must inform the Insurer of any matter which may affect the Prospects of success or of any other development which may affect whether or not it is reasonable and proportionate for the Insurer to continue paying Professional expenses.
- **(b)** The **Insured** and the **Appointed representative** must inform the **Insurer** immediately an offer to settle a claim is received and must not negotiate or enter into any agreements to settle a claim without the **Insurer's** written consent.
- (c) If the Insured rejects or does not make an offer of settlement that the Insurer or the Appointed representative determine to be reasonable, the Insurer reserves the right to refuse paying any further Professional expenses.
- (d) The Insurer reserves the right to settle a claim by paying an amount reasonably claimed by or against the Insured instead of starting or continuing with legal action, and will no longer be liable for any Professional expenses arising from that claim. If this right is exercised, the Insurer can also take over and conduct a claim in the Insured's name and pursue or settle a claim against the other party to the dispute.
- (e) If at any time, whether because of the possibility of settlement, a change in the Prospects of success or the prospects of any judgment not being successfully enforced, or of the Insured's insolvency, or for any other reason, it ceases to be reasonable in all the circumstances to continue to incur Professional expenses, the Insurer may withdraw consent and no further Professional expenses will be paid.
- (f) If at any point during a claim a fact becomes known which results in that claim not having been brought within the terms and conditions of this policy, the **Insurer** reserves the right to recover any **Professional expenses** already paid in respect of that claim and not pay any further **Professional expenses** in respect of that claim.
- (g) If the Insured does not agree with the Insurer's decision on the merits of a claim, the Insured can, at the Insured's own expense, obtain an opinion from an expert who has been approved in advance by the Insurer. The expert must be in receipt of the same information regarding the claim as provided to the Insurer. If the expert decides in the Insured's favour, the Insurer will reconsider the merits of that claim. If the expert decides in the Insurer's favour, it does not affect the Insured's right to use the Insurer's complaints procedure.

5. Payment of Appointed representative's bills

- (a) The Insurer will pay Professional expenses (including payment on account for interim bills) only if the Insurer is satisfied that the charges are reasonable and proportionate and have been properly incurred, subject to the Insured paying any Excess, Co-insurance and any recoverable VAT.
- **(b)** If requested by the **Insurer**, the **Insured** must ask the **Appointed representative** to submit its bill of costs for audit by the **Insurer**, or for assessment by the Court.
- (c) If it is later established that **Professional expenses** or any other costs incurred were not payable under this policy in whole or in part then the **Insurer** will be entitled to recover such payments from the **Insured**.

6. Recovery of costs

The **Insured** must take all reasonable steps to recover **Professional expenses** that have been incurred and pay any sums recovered to the **Insurer**. If the **Insured** recovers any sum that covers both damages and costs, or they recover damages but do not recover costs, a fair and reasonable proportion of the total amount recovered shall be deemed to be a recovery of costs and shall be reimbursed to the **Insurer**. Where such a sum is recovered in instalments, all costs to the **Insurer** shall be reimbursed first.

7. Apportionment of costs

If any claim covered under this policy should also be covered under any other insurance policy, the **Insurer** will only pay their rateable proportion of that claim.

8. Appeals

If the **Insured** wishes to pursue an appeal following the original outcome of an **Insured event**, the **Insurer** must be notified immediately. Strict time limits apply for appeals and in order for the **Insurer** to fully consider the merits of the **Insured's** appeal, which must have **Prospects of success**, written notification of the **Insured's** intention to appeal must be received by the **Insurer** no less than 10 days prior to the expiry of the relevant time limit. If an appeal is lodged against a decision made in the **Insured's** favour, the **Insurer** must also be notified immediately.

If the **Insurer** agrees to pay **Professional expenses** for an appeal, these costs will be subject to the **Limit of indemnity** for the original claim and all other terms and conditions of this policy.

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

The **Insurer** will not pay for the following:

1. Unauthorised costs

Professional expenses or any other costs incurred without the **Insurer**'s consent, or before the **Insurer** has given written acceptance of a claim.

2. Pre-inception circumstances

Events or disputes which could give rise to a claim under this insurance occurring prior to or existing before the **Insured** took out this policy, and which the **Insured** knew or ought reasonably to have known about.

3. Deliberate acts

Claims arising out of deliberate or reckless acts by the **Insured** or the **Insured's** negligent disregard of the need to take all reasonable steps to avoid, prevent and limit any such claim.

4. Professional duty

The **Insured's** defence in proceedings arising from injury, loss, destruction or damage of or to property, or any alleged breach of any professional duty.

5. Government and local authorities

Any dispute with government or local authority departments concerning the imposition of statutory charges.

6. Dishonest acts

Any claim against the **Insured** which alleges dishonesty (other than under Insured Events 4 Independent Office for Police Conduct, 5 Disciplinary Hearings or 10 Criminal Prosecution Defence, provided the allegations are denied).

7. Judicial Reviews and legislation challenges

Claims relating to the **Insured's** involvement in a Judicial Review or challenge to existing or proposed legislation.

8. Disputes with family members

Claims relating to disputes between the **Insured** and any members of the **Insured's** immediate family.

9. Fines and penalties

Fines, penalties or compensation awarded against the **Insureds**; or costs the **Insureds** may be ordered to pay by a court of criminal jurisdiction.

10. Disputes with the Insurer

Any costs relating to disputes with the **Insurer**

11. Defamation of character

Claims relating to allegations of libel or slander.

12. Group litigation orders

Disputes relating to class actions where the **Insured** is part of a group of people who are all making the same claim.

13. Proportionality

Any claim where the value of the settlement is disproportionate compared with the time and costs incurred to achieve it.

14. Alternative Funding

Any claim where payment of **Professional Expenses** are provided by the Chief Constable or Police Federation, or where such claim would fall under another insurance policy but for the existence of this policy.

15. Police Duty

Any claim arising out of the course of police duty other than under Insured Events 5 Disciplinary Hearings, 10 Criminal Prosecution Defence, 15 Discrimination, 17 Data Protection and 18 Uninsured Loss Recovery & Motor Prosecution Defence, if representation or **Professional Expenses** are provided under the rules of the Federation, by the Chief Constable or other appropriate body.

16. Superintendent and Above

Any claim in relation to an on-duty decision for a member of ACPO or Superintendent rank or above under Insured Events 3 Representation at Public Enquiries, 4 Independent Office for Police Conduct, 5 Disciplinary Hearings, 10 Criminal Prosecution Defence, 15 Discrimination and 17 Data Protection.

17. Non Subscribing Members

Any claim where the **Insured** is not a member of a **Recognised Police Representative Body** in relation to:

- Criminal allegation, Motor vehicle defence, Misconduct issues, Representation at a Public Enquiry, or any Personal Injury, where these relate to on-duty incidents; Or
- b) Employment issues relating to the **Insured's** employment with the recognised police service, legal assistance in any 'post incident procedure' or any in Independent Office for Police Conduct Investigations

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Please ensure the following conditions are understood and where required to do so, are complied with at all times. Failure to do so may in some circumstances result in the **Insurer** refusing to pay **Professional expenses** or cancelling this policy.

1. The Insured's duties

The Insured must:-

- (a) comply with all terms and conditions of this policy;
- (b) act as if uninsured and take all reasonable precautions to prevent the occurrence of a claim;
- (c) provide complete and accurate information when requested by the **Insurer**. This information may be required during the **period of insurance** or relating to a claim.

2. Cancellation

- (a) The **Insured** can cancel this policy at any time within 14 days of first taking it out. A full refund of premium will be provided as long as no claim is reported.
- **(b)** The **Insured** can cancel this policy at any other time, as long as the **Insurer** is given 14 days' notice. A pro-rata refund will be provided as long as no claim is reported during the current **Period**
- of insurance
- (c) The Insurer can cancel this policy at any time, subject to providing the Insured with at least 14 days' written notice. Reasons the Insurer may cancel this policy include, but are not strictly limited to:
 - fraudulent activity has been identified, or an attempt to gain advantage under this policy to which the **Insured** is not entitled:
 - the **Insured** has failed to co-operate with the **Insurer** or an **Appointed representative** and this failure has adversely affected a claim or is considered a material breach of policy terms and conditions.

3. Fraudulent claims

If it is proven that the **Insured** has made a fraudulent claim, the **Insurer** reserves the right to:

- (a) terminate the policy from the date of the alleged claim and not refund any premium paid by the **Insured**; and/or
- (b) recover from the **Insured** any **Professional expenses** or other costs paid in respect of that fraudulent claim.

4. Disputes

In the event of a dispute between the **Insured** and the **Insurer** arising from a claim or policy terms and conditions, the **Insurer**'s complaints procedure should firstly be followed.

If that dispute cannot be settled, the **Insured** can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service or alternatively refer the matter to arbitration which is a formal and binding process where disputes are considered and resolved by independent arbitrators in accordance with the Arbitration Act.

A suitably qualified person must be agreed by both the **Insured** and the **Insurer**, but if agreement cannot be reached an arbitrator shall be appointed by the President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. The arbitrator may require the **Insured** or the **Insurer** to pay the costs of any arbitration, which are not indemnified under this policy.

5. Applicable law and Acts of Parliament

This policy is governed by the laws of England and Wales. Any Acts of Parliament specified in this policy shall include subsequent amending or replacement legislation and shall include equivalent legislation enforceable within the **Territorial limits**.

6. Third party rights

Only the **Insured** and the **Insurer** are granted rights to enforce the terms and conditions of this policy. The Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 does not apply to this policy and any other party has no right to enforce any of its terms or conditions.

HOW TO MAKE A COMPLAINT

We always aim to provide an excellent service. However, if you are ever unhappy with the level of service you have received, how a claim has been handled or with any other aspect of the policy, please let us know by calling **01483 577 877**. Lines are open Monday to Friday, from 9am to 5pm. Alternatively complaints can be emailed to **complaints@temple-legal.co.uk** or posted to: The Compliance Officer, Temple Legal Protection Limited, One Bell Court, Leapale Lane, Guildford GU1 4LY

If you do not receive a satisfactory response within eight weeks, you may be able to refer the matter to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS), provided your business falls within FOS jurisdiction. The FOS can normally deal with complaints from micro-enterprises (small businesses) with less than 10 employees and an annual turnover of less than €2m. They will be able to tell you if your business is eligible.

To contact the Financial Ombudsman Service, call **0800 023 4567** (calls to this number are free to mobile phones and landlines) or **0300 123 9123** (calls to this number cost no more than calls to 01 or 02 numbers). You can also text **07860 027 586** and the FOS will call you back. Lines are open from 8am to 8pm between Monday and Friday and from 9am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Alternatively, you can email the Financial Ombudsman Service at complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk or make general enquiries online at https://help.financial-ombudsman.org.uk/help/enquiries

You can also write to the FOS at: The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR

The insurer is bound by decisions made by the Financial Ombudsman Service but they are not binding on you. Using the complaints procedure does not affect your right to take legal action.

DATA PROTECTION

By taking out this policy you agree that Temple Legal Protection and other parties may need to share information for the purpose of administering this policy and in the provision of claims handling. Any information provided to Temple Legal Protection will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

REGULATORY INFORMATION

Temple Legal Protection is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

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FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME

Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd cannot meet their obligations. This depends upon the type of business and circumstances of the claim. Most insurance contracts are covered for up to 90% of the claim. Further information is available from the FSCS. The FSCS can be visited on the internet at www.fscs.org.uk or by contacted on 020 7741 4100 or 0800 678 1100.

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