**Home Insurance** 

# Select Home Insurance



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### Introduction

We are very pleased to introduce You to the Allianz Select Home Insurance Policy and thank You for insuring with Us.

Please read this Policy carefully to ensure that it provides the cover You require. If the Schedule details do not agree with the details completed on your Proposal Form then please return it immediately with a note of the changes that should be made.

Please advise immediately if the use or nature of your Premises changes or if You do anything which may affect our attitude to the cover provided – for example building an extension, re-roofing, etc.

The reinstatement value of your Premises shown in the Schedule is index linked but You should review this from time to time to make sure it represents the full rebuilding cost, including the cost of professional fees and site clearance. This Policy (which includes and shall be read as one document with the Schedule, Endorsements, Proposal Form and Declaration), evidences a contract of insurance between the Insured and Allianz p.l.c.

We will, subject to the terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of this Policy, indemnify You against loss, damage or legal liability which occurs during any Period of Insurance for which You have paid or agree to pay the premium.

Aidan Hanratty Member of the Board of Management

#### Insurance Act 1936 (or future amendments thereto)

All monies which become or may become payable by the Company under this Policy shall in accordance with Section 93 of the Insurance Act 1936 be payable and paid in the Republic of Ireland.

#### Finance Act 1990 (or future amendments thereto)

The appropriate stamp duty has been or shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999.

## Definitions

Any word or expression, which is given a specific meaning in this Policy, will have the same meaning wherever it appears.

#### The Insured/You

The person(s) named on the Schedule under Insured.

We/Us/The Company Allianz p.l.c.

#### Premises

The Premises is defined as the Private House, occupied for residential purposes only, built with brick, stone or concrete and roofed substantially with slates, tiles, or other incombustible materials (the Private House) and domestic outbuildings, garages, swimming pools and tennis courts, including fixtures and fittings therein and thereon, fuel storage tanks and their contents, terraces, patios, driveways, footpaths, walls, gates and fences, lawns, hedges, trees, shrubs and plants all situate as stated in the Schedule.

#### Contents

Household goods and Personal Effects belonging to You (or for which You are legally responsible) or belonging to members of your Household and Domestic Employees permanently residing with You, all in the Private House and domestic outbuildings.

Money is included up to a maximum of  $\in$  650.

Any one High Value Item is covered for not more than 10% of the Contents Sum Insured and the total of these items is covered for not more than 50% of the Contents Sum Insured unless details have been advised to Us and are listed on the Schedule.

Home office equipment i.e. personal computers, printers, facsimile, telephone answering machines and the like, is included for an amount of €3,810 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Excluding:

- Property otherwise insured.
- Motor vehicles, (other than mechanically propelled lawnmowers), marine craft, caravans and trailers, aircraft or parts, keys or accessories of, on or in any of them.
- Animals and livestock.
- Deeds, bonds, securities for money, manuscripts, certificates, bills of exchange, promissory notes and documents of every kind unless specifically mentioned.

#### Domestic Employee

Any employee of the Insured carrying on solely private domestic duties in connection with the Premises (including repair, maintenance or decoration).

#### Endorsement

Any alteration to this Policy wording.

#### Excess

The amount of any loss You must pay yourself.

## Definitions

#### High Value Items

Any item, set or collection of jewellery, precious metal, picture, other work of art, furs, stamps, coins, and other such items, sets and collections.

#### Household

You and others permanently residing with You other than paying guests.

#### Money

Banknotes, coins, cheques, bank drafts, postal or money orders, stamps (not forming part of a collection), savings stamps and Certificates, premium bonds, gift tokens, luncheon vouchers & travel tickets.

#### Period of Insurance

The period shown on your Schedule and any subsequent period for which We accept a renewal premium.

#### Personal Effects

Articles normally worn or carried on the person.

#### Unfurnished

Not adequately furnished or equipped for normal living purposes.

#### Unoccupied

Not lived in by a member of your Household or any other person authorised by You.

All other definitions as detailed in the Policy.

#### This section only applies when a Sum Insured for this cover is shown on the Schedule.

#### The Cover

We will indemnify You by payment or, at our option, by reinstatement, replacement or repair, for loss or damage to the Premises by any of the causes listed in paragraphs numbered (1) to (12), subject to the terms, limitations, exceptions and exclusions set out in this Policy.

In the event of a loss our maximum liability is limited to the Sum Insured stated in the Schedule or endorsed thereon, less the amount of the Excess stated in the Schedule in respect of each loss, except where indicated within the Policy wording.

What Your Policy Covers	Excluding Loss or Damage
<ol> <li>Fire, explosion, lightning, earthquake and thunderbolt</li> <li>Smoke         <ul> <li>Meaning direct damage from smoke including the sudden, unusual or faulty operation of any oil, gas, electric domestic heater or domestic cooking appliance located within the Premises.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ul> <li>by smoke from fireplaces,</li> <li>by smog or from agricultural smudging or industrial operations.</li> </ul>
3) Storm or flood	<ul> <li>to fences and gates, lawns, hedges, trees, shrubs and plants, except as a direct result of damage to the Private House by storm or flood,</li> <li>by frost,</li> <li>to roofs constructed with torch-on felt exceeding 10 years of age, or other felt exceeding 5 years of age.</li> </ul>
4) Freezing, escape or overflow of water from within any plumbing or heating system, fixed water apparatus or fixed domestic appliance	<ul> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.</li> </ul>

What Your Policy Covers	Excluding Loss or Damage
5) Stealing (or attempted stealing)	<ul> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage,</li> <li>when any part of the Private House is lent, let, sub-let or accommodating paying guests unless involving entry or exit by forcible or violent means.</li> </ul>
6) Escape or overflow of oil from within any plumbing or heating system or fixed domestic appliance	<ul> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.</li> </ul>
7) Impact by aircraft, aerial devices or articles dropped from them, rail vehicles, road vehicles or animals	
8) Falling trees and branches and/or external television/radio aerials, masts and satellite dishes	<ul> <li>caused by felling of trees or lopping of branches,</li> <li>to hedges and fences,</li> <li>arising from the cost of removing fallen trees unless they have otherwise resulted in a valid claim under the Policy.</li> </ul>
9) Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers or persons taking part in labour disturbances	• to boundary walls, hedges, tennis courts, gates, fences, terraces, patios, drive-ways, footpaths, swimming pools, lawns, trees, shrubs and plants.

What Your Policy Covers	Excluding Loss or Damage
10) Malicious damage and vandalism	<ul> <li>Other than by malicious fire and explosion:</li> <li>by any person lawfully on the Premises or any person invited onto the Premises by You or a member of your Household,</li> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage,</li> <li>to boundary walls, hedges, tennis courts, gates, fences, terraces, patios, drive-ways, footpaths, swimming pools, lawns, trees, shrubs and plants.</li> </ul>
11) Subsidence or heave of the site on which the Private House stands or landslip	<ul> <li>resulting from demolition, structural alteration or structural repair,</li> <li>resulting from faulty workmanship, defective design, the use of defective materials, settlement of newly made up ground and coastal, lake or river erosion,</li> <li>to boundary walls, gates, fences, terraces, patios, driveways, footpaths, swimming pools and tennis courts unless the Private House is damaged at the same time by this cause,</li> </ul>

#### What Your Policy Covers

11) Subsidence or heave of the site on which the Private House stands or landslip

(Continued)

#### 12) Accidental damage

(where indicated as covered in the Schedule)

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- resulting from the bedding down of any structure,
- to solid floor slabs or loss or damage resulting from the movement thereof unless the foundations beneath the external walls of the Private House are damaged by the same cause and at the same time.

Also excluding the first €630 of each and every loss

- to the Premises other than to the Private House,
- to any part of the Private House which is lent, let, sub-let, or accommodating paying guests,
- by settlement and shrinkage,
- caused by animals owned or in the care custody or control of You or members of your Household,
- caused by scratching, abrading or denting,
- caused by faulty workmanship, defective design, the use of defective materials or loss or damage resulting from them,
- as a result of tree root action,
- which comes within the terms of any exclusion or limitation set out in this Policy including, but not limited to, Paragraphs (1) to (11).

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Alternative accommodation

We will pay for:

- a) reasonable additional expenses necessarily incurred by You, for alternative comparable accommodation for You and members of your Household,
- b) loss of rent due to You,
- c) two years Ground Rent,
- d) rent which continues to be payable by You, as a result of the Premises being rendered uninhabitable following damage by an insured cause.

The expense is limited to the period necessary for reinstatement and the total amount payable is limited to 15% of the Premises Sum Insured.

#### Architects/Surveyors fees

Architects/Surveyors and Legal Fees necessarily and reasonably incurred with our consent, in the reinstatement of the Premises following loss or damage covered by this Policy.

### Breakage of fixed glass and sanitary fittings

Accidental breakage of:

- (i) fixed glass in doors, windows, skylights, fanlights and verandas,
- (ii) fixed wash-hand basins, fixed baths, cisterns, fixed sanitary fittings and fixed shower units.
- to any item broken or cracked at the commencement of this insurance,
- to swimming pools,
- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.

NOTE: For exclusions which apply to the whole of your Policy see General Exclusions – Pages 38 - 39

#### Excluding Loss or Damage

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Clean up expenses

Vouched expenses incurred to clean up (but not to landscape), following escape of oil from any fixed domestic system or appliance will be paid, subject to a maximum amount of  $\in$  2,000, provided no payment is made under Contents cover on this or any other insurance policy.

#### Debris removal costs

We will pay for the cost of debris removal, demolition and/or shoring up costs necessarily incurred with our consent following loss or damage to the Premises by an insured cause.

#### Fire brigade charges

We will pay the cost of the charges made on You by a local authority (as permitted by legislation) for Fire Brigade attendance, as a result of any incident which is insured by your Policy. The maximum amount payable will be €2,000, provided no payment is made under Contents cover on this or any other insurance policy.

#### Paying guests

Permission is given for not more than 6 paying guests (at any one time) to be kept in the Private House.

#### Excluding Loss or Damage

- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.

#### What Your Policy Covers

### Public authorities requirements costs

We will pay the cost of complying with any Government, Local Authority, Building or other Regulation to the extent that these apply to parts of the Premises damaged by an insured cause (but not where notice has been served on You prior to the occurrence of the loss or damage).

#### Purchaser's interest

If You have contracted to sell the Premises, the contracting purchaser will have, at your request, the benefit of this Section up to the date of completion of the sale. This extension only applies if the Premises is not otherwise insured and shall not prejudice your or our rights.

### Reinstatement of sum insured after loss

The Sums Insured will not be reduced by the amount of any loss.

### Satellite dishes, television/radio aerials and masts

We will indemnify You for loss or damage to external satellite dishes, television/radio aerials and masts not exceeding 30 feet in height but subject to a maximum amount of €1,300 any one loss.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Service pipes and cables

We will indemnify You for accidental damage to service pipes and cables for which You are legally responsible.

#### Trace and access

We will pay up to €650 to remove or replace any part of the Premises necessary to repair any fixed domestic water or heating installation where water or oil has escaped.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- to the item from which the escape occurred,
- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.

## Section 1: Liability to Others

#### What Your Policy Covers

### Liability to others as owner of the Premises

We will indemnify You against all sums which You shall become legally liable to pay as owner of the Premises for accidents happening on or about the Premises which result in

- (i) death, bodily injury or illness to any person other than
  - members of your Household
  - employees of You or of members of your Household,
- (ii) accidental damage to property other than property belonging to or under the control of
  - You
  - members of your Household
  - employees of You or of members of your Household.

The amount payable in respect of any one event or series of events constituting one occurrence will not exceed €3,175,000 inclusive of all legal fees and other expenses.

In the event of your death We will, in respect of liability incurred by You, indemnify your personal representatives in the terms of and subject to the limitations set out, provided that such personal representatives will, as though they were the Insured, observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms, exceptions and conditions of the Policy insofar as they can apply.

#### Excluding Liability in respect of

- the ownership, possession or occupation of any other land, buildings or structures,
- the exercise of any business, trade or profession other than the provision of;
  - (i) a child minding facility at the Premises for not more than 2 children,
  - (ii) accommodation for paying guests as detailed and subject to the limit set out in the Policy or any amending Endorsement,
- any wilful or malicious act,
- any contract which imposed on You liability which You would not otherwise have been under,
- or arising from work of a construction or reconstruction nature or structural alterations or demolition.

### This section only applies when a Sum Insured for this cover is shown on the Schedule.

#### The Cover

We will indemnify You by payment or, at our option, by reinstatement, replacement or repair, for loss or damage to the Contents by any of the causes listed in paragraphs numbered (1) to (12), subject to the terms, limitations, exceptions and exclusions set out in this Policy.

In the event of a loss our maximum liability is limited to the Sum Insured stated in the Schedule or endorsed thereon, less the amount of the Excess stated in the Schedule in respect of each loss, except where indicated within the Policy wording.

What Your Policy Covers	Excluding Loss or Damage
1) Fire, explosion, lightning, earthquake and thunderbolt	
2) Smoke Meaning direct damage from smoke including the sudden, unusual or faulty operation of any oil, gas, electric domestic heater or domestic cooking appliance located within the Premises.	<ul> <li>by smoke from fireplaces,</li> <li>by smog or from agricultural smudging or industrial operations.</li> </ul>
3) Storm or flood	
4) Freezing, escape or overflow of water from within any plumbing or heating system, fixed water apparatus or fixed domestic appliance	<ul> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.</li> </ul>
5) Stealing (or attempted stealing)	<ul> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately</li> </ul>

W	/hat Your Policy Covers	Excluding Loss or Damage
5)	Stealing (or attempted stealing) (continued)	<ul> <li>prior to the loss or damage,</li> <li>when any part of the Private House is lent, let, sub-let or accommodating paying guests unless involving entry or exit by forcible or violent means.</li> </ul>
6)	Escape or overflow of oil from within any plumbing or heating system or fixed domestic appliance	<ul> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> <li>where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.</li> </ul>
7)	Impact by aircraft, aerial devices or articles dropped from them, rail vehicles, road vehicles or animals	<ul> <li>caused by animals owned by You or a member of your Household.</li> </ul>
8)	Falling trees and branches and/or external television/radio aerials, masts and satellite dishes	<ul> <li>caused by felling of trees or lopping of branches,</li> <li>arising from the cost of removing fallen trees unless they have otherwise resulted in a valid claim under the Policy.</li> </ul>
9)	Riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked-out workers or persons taking part in labour disturbances	
10)	Malicious damage and vandalism.	<ul> <li>Other than by malicious fire and explosion:</li> <li>by any person lawfully on the Premises or any person invited onto the Premises by You or a member of your Household,</li> <li>while the Private House is Unfurnished,</li> </ul>

NOTE: For exclusions which apply to the whole of your Policy see General Exclusions -Pages 38 - 39

### 10) Malicious damage and vandalism (continued)

What Your Policy Covers

11) Subsidence or heave of the site on which the Private House stands or landslip

#### 12) Accidental damage

(where indicated as covered in the Schedule)

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.
- unless the Private House is damaged simultaneously.
- to any part of the Private House which is lent, let, sub-let, or accommodating paying guests,
- caused by animals owned or in the care custody or control of You or members of your Household,
- caused by scratching, abrading or denting,
- caused by faulty workmanship, defective design, the use of defective materials or loss or damage resulting from them,
- to pottery, porcelain, terracotta, glass or other brittle articles, while being handled or actively used,
- to photographic, television, radio or other receiving, recording or reproducing equipment as a result of the fitting, repairing, adjusting, or dismantling of any part of such apparatus, or to lamps, tubes, or electronic components in such apparatus,
- to records, audio, video or computer discs, tapes or cassettes,

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### 12) Accidental damage

(where indicated as covered in the Schedule) (continued)

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

• which comes within the terms of any exclusion or limitation set out in this Policy including, but not limited to, Paragraphs (1) to (11).

We will pay for:

Contents.

included

€1.300.

What Your Policy Covers **Excluding Loss or Damage** Alternative accommodation a) reasonable additional expenses necessarily incurred by You. for alternative comparable accommodation for You and members of your Household, b) loss of rent due to You, c) rent which continues to be payable by You, d) the reasonable cost of temporary storage of as a result of the Premises being rendered uninhabitable following damage by an insured cause. The expense is limited to the period necessary for reinstatement and the total amount payable is limited to 15% of the Contents Sum Insured. Audio and audio visual equipment - applicable • to records, audio, video or only if accidental computer discs, tapes or damage to Contents is not cassettes, • caused by animals owned or in We will pay the cost of replacing or the care custody or control of repairing equipment if You or members of your accidentally damaged whilst in Household. the Private House. The maximum We will pay for any one loss is **Breakage of glass** to any item broken or cracked Accidental breakage of fixed glass at the commencement of this in furniture, hobs and mirrors.

insurance.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Breakage of glass (continued)

#### Christmas

The Contents Sum Insured is automatically increased by 10% during the months of December and January.

#### Clean up expenses

Vouched expenses incurred to clean up (but not to landscape), following escape of oil from any fixed domestic system or appliance will be paid, subject to a maximum amount of €2,000 provided no payment is made under Premises cover on this or any other insurance policy.

#### Compensation for death of Insured and/or Spouse

We will pay €3,200 in the event of death by accident, as a result of:

- fire, explosion, lightning or assault by thieves on the Premises,
- (2) travelling as a passenger by train, bus, licensed taxi or hackney,
- (3) assault in the street,

where death occurs within three calendar months of such accident.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage,
- to hand mirrors.

- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Contents in the open

We will indemnify You, up to an amount of €650, for loss or damage by an insured cause, other than accidental damage (irrespective of whether cover is indicated in the Schedule), to Contents in the open within the boundaries of your Premises.

#### Door locks replacement

We will pay the cost of replacing external door locks and keys of your Premises, specified in the Schedule, where the keys of such locks have been stolen following a break-in at the Private House or following an assault on You or a member of your Household.

#### Fire brigade charges

We will pay the cost of the charges made on You by a local authority (as permitted by legislation) for Fire Brigade attendance, as a result of any incident which is insured by your Policy. The maximum amount payable will be €2,000 provided no payment is made under Premises cover on this or any other insurance policy.

#### Fraudulent use of Credit/Debit/Charge/Cheque or Cash Cards

We will indemnify You up to a maximum of €1,300 in any Period of Insurance, in respect of all claims resulting from the

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

• for any amount in excess of €125 to any bicycle.

- following non-compliance with the terms and conditions of the card provider regulations,
- where the loss of the card is not reported to the Gardai or Police

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Fraudulent use of Credit/Debit/Charge/Cheque or Cash Cards (continued)

loss of a credit/debit/charge/ cheque and/or cash card belonging to You, or your spouse and subsequent fraudulent use by any unauthorised person.

#### Freezer and refrigerator contents

We will indemnify You up to a maximum of €650 by payment or, at our option, by replacement for loss or damage to food in your deep freeze & refrigerator caused by any of the following events.

- (1) Rise or fall in the temperature.
- (2) Contamination by refrigeration fumes.

resulting from;

- (i) accidental damage to the appliance,
- (ii) failure of the appliance due to its own defect,
- (iii)accidental failure of the public supply of electricity.

#### Household removal

Loss or damage to Contents whilst in the course of removal only by a professional furniture removal contractor from the Premises to your new permanent residence in the Republic of Ireland.

#### Excluding Loss or Damage

and the card provider upon discovering that it is missing,

• following unauthorised use by any member of your Household.

- due to any deliberate act by You or the Electricity Authority,
- due to any consequence of strikes, labour or political disturbances.

- to property while in storage away from removal vehicle,
- recoverable from any other source,
- to glassware, china, pottery, porcelain, terracotta or other brittle articles unless they have been packed for removal by professional packers,
- caused by scratching, abrading or denting.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Liability as a tenant (if applicable)

We will pay for all sums You become legally liable to pay as tenant, but not as owner, of the Premises following loss or damage

- a) by any of the causes listed at Paragraphs (1) to (11) of the Premises Section
- b) to Fixed Glass and Sanitaryware
- c) to Service Pipes and Cables

The maximum amount We will pay is 20% of the Contents Sum insured in any one Period of Insurance.

#### Loss of oil

We will pay for loss of oil from a fixed domestic system or appliance following accidental damage to the heating installation.

#### Paying guests

Permission is given for not more than 6 paying guests (at any one time) to be kept in the Private House.

### Reinstatement of sum insured after loss

The Sums Insured will not be reduced by the amount of any loss.

#### Shopping

We will pay for loss or damage to food and other goods while You, or

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#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage,
- as a result of redecoration.

- while the Private House is Unfurnished,
- where the Private House has been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.

by theft or attempted theft from

any unattended vehicle unless;

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Shopping (continued)

a member of your Household, are transporting them from the shop where bought to the Premises specified in the Schedule subject to a maximum amount of €320 any one loss.

#### Temporary removal of property

Loss of or damage to Contents by an insured cause while temporarily removed from your Private House but remaining in the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Great Britain, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

In the event of loss or damage the amount recoverable will be limited to 15% of the Sum Insured on Contents.

#### Title deeds

The cost of preparing new title deeds to the Premises if they are lost or damaged while in the Private House or in your bank for safe-keeping. The maximum amount payable is €650.

#### Excluding Loss or Damage

- a)all windows, including sunroof, and doors are securely locked,
- b)the property is completely concealed within a closed compartment or locked boot.
- by storm or flood to property in transit or in the open,
- by accidental damage,
- to property otherwise insured,
- to property removed for sale or exhibition or to furniture depositories,
- by stealing or any attempt thereat other than
  - (i) from any Bank, Safe Deposit or occupied house,
  - (ii) from any building where You or any member of your Household is temporarily staying unless involving entry or exit by forcible or violent means,
  - (iii) involving entry to or exit from a building by forcible or violent means,
  - (iv) during removal to or from any Bank or Safe Deposit while in the custody of You or a member of your Household.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Visitors and guests property

Loss or damage to the property of visitors and guests by an insured cause is included up to a limit of €1,300 any one loss.

#### Wedding gifts

The Contents Sum Insured is automatically increased by 10% for a period of one month before and one month after the wedding day of You or a member of your Household.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

## Section 2: Liability to Others

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Liability to Domestic Employees

We will indemnify You against all sums which You shall become legally liable to pay as employer for death, bodily injury or illness to any Domestic Employee while in your employment in connection with the Premises. The amount payable in respect of any one event or series of events constituting one occurrence shall not exceed €3,175,000 inclusive of all legal fees and other expenses.

#### Liability to others

We will indemnify You against all sums which You shall become legally liable to pay

- a) as occupier of the Premises,
- b) in a personal capacity within the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Great Britain, Isle of Man, Channel Islands or elsewhere in the world in the course of a visit not planned to last more than 60 consecutive days,

for

- (i) death, bodily injury or illness to any person other than
  - members of your Household
  - employees of You or of members of your Household,

(ii) accidental damage to

#### Excluding Liability in respect of

- any action for damage brought in a Court of Law outside the Republic of Ireland,
- any agreement unless liability would have otherwise applied,
- death, bodily injury or illness caused to other members of your Household.

- the ownership, possession or use of any mechanically propelled vehicle, horse-drawn vehicle or craft. This does not apply to mechanically propelled lawnmowers being used at your Premises – PROVIDED that this extension shall not apply to or include any liability which is compulsorily insurable under any Road Traffic Acts or amending statutes,
- the ownership, possession or use of any animal, but this exclusion does not apply to ponies, saddle horses, domestic cats and dogs (other than dangerous dogs, as specified in Regulations made under the Control of Dogs Acts or amendments thereto, unless such dogs are, **at all times**, muzzled, under effective control, and capable of

## Section 2: Liability to Others

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### Liability to others (continued)

property other than property belonging to or under the control of

- You
- members of your Household
- employees of You or of members of your Household

caused by

- You
- members of your Household (other than Domestic Employees)
- Domestic Employees in the course of their employment in connection with the Premises.

We will also indemnify, in like manner, members of your Household.

The amount payable in respect of any one event or series of events constituting one occurrence will not exceed €3,175,000 inclusive of all legal fees and other expenses.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

identification.),

- the ownership of any land or building,
- the occupation of any land or building other than;
  - (i) the Premises specified in the Schedule,
  - (ii) temporary holiday accommodation,
- any profession, trade or business other than the provision of;
  - (i) a child minding facility at the Premises for not more than 2 children,
  - (ii) accommodation for paying guests as detailed and subject to the limit set out within this Policy or any amending Endorsement,
- any wilful or malicious act,
- the ownership, possession, use or discharge of any firearm other than firearms licensed for sporting activities,
- any contract which imposed on You liability which You would not otherwise have been under,
- dangerous implements (e.g. chainsaws, blowtorches, kango hammers, welding equipment and/or any equipment necessitating the use of protective clothing) which are being used other than at the Premises as described in the Schedule,
- or arising from work of a construction or

### Section 2: Liability to Others

#### What Your Policy Covers

Liability to others (continued)

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

reconstruction nature or structural alterations or demolition,

• the transmission of any communicable disease by You or any member of your Household.

In the event of your death We will, in respect of liability incurred by You, indemnify your personal representatives in the terms of and subject to the limitations set out, provided that such personal representatives will, as though they were the Insured, observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms, exceptions and conditions of the Policy insofar as they can apply.

### Section 3: All Risks Cover

N.B. This insurance only applies when All Risks Sum Insured is shown on the Schedule.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### The cover

We will indemnify You by payment or, at our option, by reinstatement, replacement or repair, for loss or damage caused to:

- (1) Any item specified in the Schedule up to a maximum of the Sum Insured shown against the item.
- (2) Jewellery, Photographic Equipment, Personal Effects, Clothing and Sports Equipment up to a maximum of the Unspecified All Risks Sum Insured shown on the Schedule (limit €2,000 any one item) including Personal Money up to a limit of €650 and Bicycles up to a limit of €320 in any one Period of Insurance.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- to camping equipment, documents of any kind and household goods,
- by stealing of any bicycle, (or of its tyres, accessories or fittings) left both unlocked and unattended away from the Premises,
- to any bicycle while being used for racing or while used for hire or reward,
- to tyres, accessories or fittings of any bicycle unless the bicycle is damaged at the same time,
- by stealing or attempted stealing from any unattended vehicle unless;
  - a) all windows, including sunroof, and doors are securely locked,
  - b) the property is completely concealed within a closed compartment or locked boot,
- to sports equipment while in use,
- caused by animals owned or in the care custody or control of You or members of your Household,
- to pottery, porcelain, terracotta, glass or other brittle items other than by fire and stealing.

## Section 3: All Risks Cover

We will deduct the amount of the Excess stated in the Schedule in respect of each loss OTHER THAN for Money, Clothing, Personal Effects, Sports Equipment and items specified in the Schedule.

#### **Geographical Limits**

The cover provided by this Section applies to insured property in the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Great Britain, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, and for not more than 60 days in any one Period of Insurance while elsewhere in the world.

## Section 1, 2 & 3: Loss Settlement Basis

#### Premises

Any admitted claim will be settled on a new for old basis (without deduction for wear, tear or depreciation), provided:

- (i) the Premises have been maintained in good repair,
- (ii) repair or replacement is carried out without undue delay.

Otherwise, claims will be settled on an indemnity basis with an appropriate deduction for wear, tear and depreciation.

#### Contents and All Risks

Any admitted claim (excluding claims for household linen, wearing apparel, sporting equipment and bicycles) will be settled on a new for old basis as follows:

- (i) TOTAL LOSS or destruction will be settled without deduction for wear, tear or depreciation,
- (ii) PARTIAL LOSS will be settled by payment of the cost of repair (if repairs can be made) and subject to this cost not exceeding the replacement value of the property as new,
- (iii) ALL claims for household linen, wearing apparel, sporting equipment and bicycles will be settled on an indemnity basis i.e. deduction will be made for wear, tear and depreciation.

Subject otherwise to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

#### Limit of Liability

In the event of a loss in respect of Premises, Contents and/or All Risks our maximum liability is limited to the Sums Insured stated in the Schedule or endorsed hereon.

We will deduct the amount of the Excess stated in the Schedule in respect of each loss, except where indicated within the Policy wording.

## Section 4: Caravan / Mobile Home

N.B. This Section only applies when a Sum Insured for this cover is shown on the Schedule.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### The cover

We will indemnify You by payment or, at our option, by replacement or repair for accidental loss or damage to;

- the Caravan/Mobile Home, including its accessories, furnishings and utensils,
- (2) clothing and Personal Effects whilst in the Caravan/Mobile Home or whilst temporarily in the towing vehicle in the course of a journey.

Including the reasonable costs incurred to protect and remove to suitable repairers and to deliver to your Premises following repair subject to a maximum amount payable of €320 in respect of any one loss.

#### Where insured:

- Anywhere in the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Great Britain, Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands, including transit between ports.
- While temporarily within the Continent of Europe in the custody and control of the Insured for not more than 60 days in any one Period of Insurance.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- to tyres,
- if let for hire or reward or used as a permanent residence,
- by stealing while unattended unless securely closed and locked,
- caused by storm, unless secured at each corner by proprietary anchor screws and wire hawsers except when kept at the Premises specified in the Schedule,
- of Money, stamp collections and documents of any kind,
- to High Value Items,
- for the amount of the Excess stated in the Schedule in respect of each loss.

## Section 4: Caravan / Mobile Home

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### **Claims settlement**

Our maximum liability for any admitted claim will not exceed the market value of the property at the time of its loss or damage, or the Sum Insured specified in the Schedule (whichever is the lesser).

A proportionate adjustment will be made in the settlement of your claim if the Sum Insured at the time of the loss or damage is less than the value of all the property, which is the subject of this cover.

#### Liability to others

We will indemnify You against all sums which You become legally liable to pay for damages in respect of;

- Death, bodily injury or illness to any person excluding members of your Household or your employees,
- (2) Accidental damage to property which does not belong to, or is not under the control of, You or a member of your Household,

arising out of the ownership or use of the Caravan/Mobile Home specified in the Schedule.

The amount payable in respect of any one event or series of events constituting one occurrence will not exceed €2,540,000 inclusive of all legal fees and other expenses.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

#### **Excluding Liability in respect of**

- the Caravan/Mobile Home whilst it is:
  - (a) attached to any vehicle,
  - (b) let for hire or reward or used as a permanent residence,
  - (c) being used other than for social, domestic and pleasure purposes.

## Section 4: Small Craft

N.B. This Section only applies when a Sum Insured for this cover is shown on the Schedule. **Definition of small craft:** Vessels not exceeding 17ft in length, with a maximum design speed not exceeding 17 knots and not more than 15 years old.

#### What Your Policy Covers

#### A. Loss or damage to your craft

We will pay for loss or damage to the items noted in the schedule caused by

- 1. Accidental damage.
- 2. Fire, lightning and explosion.
- 3. Theft or attempted theft, following forcible entry.
- 4. Negligence.

#### Loss settlement basis

Our maximum liability is limited to the Sum Insured stated in the Schedule or endorsed hereon but subject also to Condition 5 listed hereunder if the loss or damage occurs whilst racing.

#### B. Liability to others

We will pay for all sums which You become legally liable to pay, arising from the ownership or use of the insured craft, for

- 1. Loss or damage to any other craft or Property
- 2. Death, bodily injury or illness to any person

We will also pay the legal costs and expenses incurred by the Insured in contesting liability or taking proceedings to limit liability, with our consent. We will also pay the costs for representation at any Coroner's inquest or fatal accident enquiry.

#### **Excluding Loss or Damage**

- due to depreciation,
- due to scratching, denting and bruising while the vessel is being transported,
- to sails and protective covers split by the wind or blown away, unless in consequence of damage to the spars to which sails are bent, or caused by the vessel being stranded or in collision or contact with any external substance (ice included) other than water,
- caused by faulty workmanship, defective design, the use of defective materials or loss or damage resulting from them.

#### Excluding Liability in respect of

- death, bodily injury or illness to any employee,
- any compulsory insurance required under any Road Traffic Acts or amending statutes,
- any person engaged in waterskiing, aquaplaning or any other sport or activity while being towed by the vessel,
- any punitive or exemplary damages however described.

## Section 4: Small Craft

What Your Policy Covers	Excluding Liability in respect of	
We will also indemnify any person using the Craft with your permission. The amount payable in respect of any one event or series of events constituting one occurrence will not exceed €1,270,000 inclusive of all legal fees and other expenses.		NOTE: For exclusions which apply to the whole of your Policy see General Exclusions – Pages 38 - 39

### In addition to the general conditions detailed within this policy this section is also subject to the following CONDITIONS

- 1. The geographical limit of this section is inland and coastal waters of Ireland and the United Kingdom.
- 2. The insured craft is used solely for personal pleasure purposes only.
- 3. The insured craft is not left in the water during the period 1st November to 31st March.
- 4. The insured craft at no time engages in water-skiing or other sport or activity involving the craft towing items.
- 5. The indemnity provided to sails spars mast standing and running rigging whilst racing is 2/3rd the full replacement cost of these items. The calculation of the full replacement cost is based on 50% of the Insured value of the craft.
- 6. The Insured shall maintain the craft and all equipment in a proper state of repair and seaworthiness and shall, at all times, exercise due care and diligence in safeguarding them.

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#### **Observance of Conditions**

The observance by You of the terms, conditions and endorsements of this Policy as far as they relate to anything to be done or complied with by You will be a condition precedent to any liability of the Company.

#### Misdescription

This Policy will be voidable in the event of misrepresentation, misdescription or non-disclosure of any material facts i.e. those circumstances which may influence Us in our acceptance or assessment of this insurance. If You are in any doubt as to whether a fact is material or not please disclose it.

#### Maintenance and Security

You must keep the Premises in good repair and take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of property insured and to prevent accidents.

#### Change in Risk or Circumstance

You must tell Us in writing IMMEDIATELY of any change, which may affect this insurance or increase the risk of loss, damage or injury as failure to do so could invalidate the cover provided.

#### Fraud

If any claim under this Policy is in any respect fraudulent, or if any fraudulent means or devices (including inflation or exaggeration of the claim, or submission of forged or falsified documents) are used by You or anyone acting on Your behalf to obtain any benefit under this Policy, all benefit is forfeit.

#### **Cancelling this Policy**

You may cancel the Policy at any time by written notice. If there has been no claim during the current Period of Insurance We will return premium for the unexpired Period of Insurance.

We may also cancel the Policy at any time by sending notice by registered letter to You at your last known address. This notice is effective from midnight on the seventh day immediately following the date of the registered letter. We will return a proportionate part of the premium.

#### More than one Premises insured

The Premises and/or Contents thereof, situate where indicated on the Schedule, are insured as if each had been the subject of a separate policy.

#### Mortgagee Clause

The interest of a Mortgagee in this insurance shall not be prejudiced by any act or neglect of the Mortgagor (or Occupier of the Premises) whereby the risk of loss or damage is increased without the authority or knowledge of the Mortgagee, provided the Mortgagee shall, immediately on becoming aware thereof, give notice in writing to Us and on demand, pay such additional premium as We may require.

#### Inflation Protection

Your sums insured will be automatically increased each month and updated annually at renewal date.

a) Premises will be increased in accordance with the House

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Building Cost Index issued by the Department of the Environment, or by any higher percentage We consider appropriate.

b) Contents and All Risks will be increased in accordance with the Household Durable Goods Section of the Consumer Price Index, or by any higher percentage We consider appropriate.

These increases may not be sufficient for your needs and We would therefore suggest that You periodically review your own sums insured.

## **Other Insurances**

If at the time of any incident, which results in a claim under this Policy, there is any other insurance covering the same liability, loss or damage, We will pay only our rateable share.

## Claims – Your Duties and Our Rights

## What You must do

Tell US IMMEDIATELY of any loss, damage or accident and give details of how the loss, damage or accident occurred. You will be required to produce, at your own expense, all necessary documents and information to support any loss and forward these to Us, together with a completed Claim Form, within 30 days of first notifying Us of the incident.

### **Do Not Proceed**

You must not proceed with repairs (other than emergency repairs necessary to limit damage) without our approval.

## Send Us

Any writ, summons, notice of prosecution or other legal document You receive must be sent to Us, unanswered, on receipt.

## Do not negotiate

You, or any other person insured under this Policy, or anyone else acting on your behalf must not negotiate, admit or repudiate any claim without our written consent.

## Tell the Gardai

You must advise the Gardai or Police about any incident of stealing, attempted stealing or vandalism, or loss, destruction, damage or injury by malicious person/s.

## We are entitled to

## Defend or settle legal action

Take over and conduct in your name, or in the name of any other person indemnified by this Policy, the defence or settlement of any legal action.

## Act to recover payment

Take proceedings at our own expense and for our own benefit, but in your name, or in the name of any other person indemnified by this Policy, to recover any payment We have made under this Policy.

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## Co-operation from You

Receive all necessary assistance from You or any other person indemnified by this Policy.

## Salvage

Enter any building where loss or damage has occurred and deal with any salvage in a reasonable manner. However, no property may be abandoned to Us.

## Disagreement over a Claim

All differences arising out of this Policy shall be referred to an Arbitrator or if necessary to two Arbitrators, one to be appointed by each of the parties within one month after having been requested. The Arbitrators shall appoint an Umpire who shall sit with the Arbitrators and in the case of disagreement the Arbitrators shall submit to the decision of the Umpire. The making of an award shall be a condition precedent to any right of action against Us. Differences not referred to arbitration within 12 calendar months from the date on which the difference occurred will be deemed to have been abandoned.

NOTE: This condition does not affect your right to refer any claim or query to the office of the Financial Services Ombudsman's Bureau.

# **General Exclusions**

## War and Terrorism

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this insurance or any endorsement thereto it is agreed that this insurance excludes liability, loss, damage, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any of the following regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss;

- war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power, or
- any act of terrorism. (2)An act of terrorism means an act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof. of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological or other purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

This insurance also excludes liability, loss, damage, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to (1) and/or (2) above.

If the Company alleges that by reason of this exclusion any liability, loss, damage, cost or expense is not covered by this insurance the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the Insured.

In the event any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

## Cyber Risk

This insurance excludes liability, loss, damage, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with

- (i) the loss of, alteration of or damage to or
- (ii) a reduction in the functionality, availability or operation of

a computer system, hardware, programme, software, data, information repository, microchip, integrated circuit or similar device in computer equipment or noncomputer equipment that results from the malicious or negligent transfer (electronic or otherwise) of a computer programme that contains any malicious or damaging code including but not limited to computer virus, worm, logic bomb or trojan horse.

# **General Exclusions**

## We shall not be liable for

## Radioactive Contamination

- a) Loss or destruction of or damage to any property whatsoever or any loss or expense whatsoever resulting or arising therefrom or any consequential loss or,
- b) Any legal liability of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from
  - (i) ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel,
  - (ii) the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.

## Sonic Boom

Loss or damage caused by pressure waves from aircraft and other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

## Confiscation

Loss of or damage due to confiscation, requisition or destruction by order of any Government, or Public or Local Authority.

## **Consequential Loss**

Consequential loss or damage of any kind except as set out in this Policy.

## Fees

Fees incurred in the preparation of any claim.

## Sets and Matching Items

Any undamaged item which forms part of a set, pair, suite or any other article of a uniform nature even when replacements cannot be matched. We will only be liable for the value of the particular item, part or parts that have been lost or damaged.

## Wear, Tear and as undernoted

- Wear, tear, rust or corrosion.
- Gradual deterioration or any gradually operating cause.
- The cost of maintenance.
- Mildew, rising damp, dry/wet rot, moth, vermin, atmospheric or climatic conditions.
- Damage caused by any process of cleaning, dyeing, repairing or restoring any article.
- Mechanical, electrical or electronic defects, breakdown or malfunction.

## Business, Trade or Professional Purposes

This Policy does not provide cover for any property held in connection with any business, trade or professional purpose other than Home Office equipment as referred to within the Definition of Contents.

## Endorsements

## (operative only if indicated on the Schedule)

## E01 – Security Precautions 1

It is a condition of your Policy that:

- a) All external doors are fitted with mortice deadlocks or deadlocking rim latches.
- b) All French windows and/or patio doors are fitted with appropriate security locks.
- c) All ground floor and other accessible opening windows are fitted with window locks.

## E02 – Security Precautions 2

Where a burglar alarm is installed as our requirement You hereby agree to maintain the installation in accordance with the suppliers recommendations and to have the alarm switched on and in service on all practical occasions.

## E03 – Special Security Precautions for Jewellery

It is a condition of your Policy that all items of jewellery valued in excess of €9,524 are kept in a locked safe when not in the personal custody of an adult.

### E04 – Single High Value Item Limit

The High Value Item limit of 10%, included within the Contents definition, is deleted for items listed on the Schedule and is replaced by the monetary amount shown against each item.

## E05 – Total High Value Limit

The High Value total of 50%, included within the Contents

definition, is deleted and replaced by the monetary amount shown on the Schedule.

### E06 – Paying Guests

Your Policy automatically allows for the provision of accommodation for 6 paying guests. This is increased to 12 paying guests.

## E07 – Premises Let to Tenants

The Premises is let to tenant(s) in the number of units shown on the Schedule.

Unless contained in a portion of the Premises occupied by You, no cover is provided for Money or High Value Items.

In settling claims for all items of Contents due allowance will be made for wear, tear and depreciation.

The Exclusion regarding "profession, trade or business" referred to under Liability to Others does not apply to your business as Lessor of the Premises specified in the Schedule.

#### E08 – Premises used partly for Business Purposes, other than a Home Office

The Premises is partly occupied in connection with your business as disclosed to Us.

Within that portion of the Premises no cover is provided for Money or any High Value Item and accidental damage to Contents is not included (whether

## **Endorsements**

## (operative only if indicated on the Schedule)

indicated or not on the Schedule). The insurance provided for Stealing or attempted Stealing of Contents, only applies if accompanied by violent and forcible entry or exit and is subject otherwise to the terms. limitations and exceptions otherwise specified in this Policy. The Exclusion regarding "profession, trade or business" referred to under Liability to Others does not apply to your business as disclosed but. We will not insure You for any amount which You might become legally liable to pay for death, injury, illness or loss or damage caused by remedial, professional or other advice or treatment - other than medical First Aid Treatment - given or administered or omitted by You, or by any of your servants, employees or Agents.

## E09 – Holiday Home

The Premises is occupied as a Holiday Home.

Whenever You are not in residence it is a condition of your Policy that: -

- a) Contents will exclude Money and High Value Items
- b) a responsible person is appointed to supervise and regularly check the Premises
- c) the electricity and water are turned off at the mains and the water system is drained. This condition shall not apply if the central heating

system is set to automatically come into use daily (between the months of October to March inclusive) by means of a time switch with the thermostat set to a minimum temperature of 55 degrees Fahrenheit and the loft hatch/door left open where fitted.

#### E10-Non-standard Construction

It is hereby noted that the Private House is constructed of the materials disclosed to Us and not as defined at Premises.

#### E11 – Satellite Dishes, Television/Radio Aerials and Masts

The reference to "30 feet in height" is substituted by the number of feet shown on the Schedule. The monetary amount referred to remains unchanged.

## E12 – Home Office Equipment

The amount of €3,810, included within the Contents definition, is increased to the amount stated on the Schedule.

# Endorsements

## (operative only if indicated on the Schedule)

## E13 – Restriction and/or exclusion of Certain Covers

Your Policy restricts and/or excludes cover as detailed on the Schedule.

### E14-Fire Cover Only

The insurance provided by your Policy is hereby limited to – "Fire, Explosion, Lightning, Earthquake". No other insurance is provided by your Policy.

### E15 - Fire & homeowners liability

The insurance provided by your Policy is hereby limited to – "Fire, Explosion, Lightning, Earthquake and Thunderbolt" and the insurance provided under the heading "Liability to Others as Owner of the Premises" as described under the Premises Section. No other insurance is provided by the Policy.

## E16 – glass breakage

We will pay the cost of replacing:

- a. fixed glass (including double glazing) in windows, doors, fanlights and skylights
- fixed sanitary fixtures following accidental damage, provided that the Private House is not Unfurnished nor has it been Unoccupied for more than 35 consecutive days immediately prior to the loss or damage.

### E18 – Settings

It is a condition of All Risks cover that the settings of any item of jewellery valued in excess €9,524 be checked by a jeweller at least once every two years.

# **Safety Precautions**

## **Fire Prevention**

## **Electrical Appliances**

Electrical sockets should not be overloaded. The ideal is one appliance, one socket. Replace worn flexes immediately and unplug all appliances when not in use.

## **Heating Appliances**

Keep heaters away from furniture, curtains and bedclothes. Never move or refuel an oil or gas heater while it is lighting.

## **Open Fires**

Never leave a room without putting a spark guard in front of the fire. Have your chimney swept regularly – at least twice a year.

## Cooking

Keep all electrical flexes off cooker rings or hobs.

Be especially careful with chip pans, they should never be left unattended on a lighted cooker.

## Smoke Alarm

You should install at least one smoke alarm in your house.

## At Night

Unplug all electrical appliances – especially the TV set. Close doors to all rooms as this will assist in containing fire and smoke should a fire break out.

## Water Damage

Every year severe winter conditions cause pipes to freeze and burst. The ensuing water damage to your house and Contents can be quite substantial. We urge you to take precautions to help reduce, or prevent, loss or damage of this nature in the winter months:

All pipes and tanks should be fully lagged.

Leave the underside of attic tanks unlagged to ensure rising warmth can reach them.

Inspect your cold water tank for rust/corrosion.

## In Winter

Most damage tends to occur while people are away from home. If you are away for a few days, unless your heating is being left on:

Turn off the water supply at the mains and drain your domestic hot/cold water system by letting the taps run.

NB. When you return home do not light your boiler until the system is completely filled. Refill slowly to avoid airlocks.

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## **Burglary Prevention**

While your insurance covers the financial loss you suffer as a result of a break-in, nothing can protect you from the emotional trauma and shock suffered when a stranger ransacks your home and rummages through your belongings. However, there is a lot you can do to help prevent it happening in the first place.

## Going on Holiday

When you go away on holiday, cancel all deliveries, i.e. milk, newspapers etc. Give a key to a trusted neighbour and ask him or her to keep an eye on the house and to remove mail from the letterbox or hall. Inform your local Garda station that you will be away.

## All External Doors

Fit five-lever mortice deadlocks (or their equivalent) to all external doors and you should lock these doors even if you are out for just a short time.

## All Accessible Windows

A large number of break-ins occur through windows. Fit security locks to all accessible windows, i.e. those on the ground floor or near drainpipes or flat roofs.

## Going out at Night

When you go out for the evening, it's a good idea to draw the curtains and leave a light on in the living room or a bedroom. Leaving the hall light on is not a good deterrent. Keep your garage/garden shed locked. Do not leave garden implements, especially ladders, lying around. They could help a thief gain access to your home.

# Making a Claim

If You have any queries or if You need any advice in making a claim just contact Us on our claims helpline number 1890 77 99 99 which is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

When You are making a claim please note the following points:

Complete and return a claim form. Estimates should be submitted with Your claim. Once the estimate has been agreed by Us You can proceed with repairs/redecoration.

If property has been stolen or maliciously damaged, or if You lose a valuable item, You should inform the Gardai or Police as soon as possible. You will receive the Garda report form with Your claim form. When necessary – in the case of broken windows or burst pipes for example – You should have emergency repairs carried out immediately to prevent possible further damage to Your property.

If the claim includes injury to someone else or damage to their property, You should send written details to Us as soon as possible. It is vital that we deal with such claims on Your behalf. Any letters or documents You receive should be sent unanswered to Us without delay.

Where we need to discuss Your claim You will be contacted as soon as possible to make an appointment.

# **Consumer Information**

#### Your insurer

The underwriter of Your insurance is Allianz p.l.c., having its registered office at Allianz House, Elmpark, Merrion Road, Dublin 4, companies registration office no. 143108. Vat no IE0646922D. Our contact details are: telephone: 01 6133000 fax: 01 6133630, and email: info@allianz.ie.

## **Regulatory Status**

Allianz p.l.c. is regulated by the Financial Regulator.

## Main business

Allianz p.l.c. is a non-life insurance which underwrites personal, commercial, education, religious and social insurance products.

## How we charge

The charge for Our services is the premium (including applicable government levies and/or premium taxes).

## Default

Non-payment of Your premium or part thereof or breach by You of certain conditions of Your policy may lead to Your policy being revoked or cancelled.

## Language

Your policy and all communications with You or by You to Us will be in English.

## Compensation

Please note that in the event of Allianz being unable to pay a claim, You may be entitled to compensation from the Insurance Compensation Fund in Ireland.

## **Right of Withdrawal**

You have the right to withdraw from this policy, provided You have not made a total loss claim, within 14 days of the latest of:

- (1) the starting date of cover, or
- (2) the date on which You receive the full terms and conditions of Your Policy.

Withdrawal effectively means that no policy was ever in place, and You may exercise this right by notice in writing to Us at the address given above, quoting Your policy number. Should You exercise this right We will refund You any part of Your premium You have paid less an administration fee. If the cover is motor insurance, the premium cannot be refunded until the Allianz Certificate of Motor Insurance and Insurance Disc have been returned to Allianz. Please note that the right of withdrawal does not apply if the insurance policy under which insurance cover is provided is for less than 1 month.

## Governing law

The laws of Ireland will apply to Your policy and the Irish courts will have jurisdiction to hear any dispute.

## Policy Alteration, Additional and Return Premiums

When You make an alteration to Your policy We will re-calculate your premium, which may result in an additional premium due to Us, or a return premium due to You. If the alteration to the policy results in an additional premium due to Us, or a refund due to You We will only charge or refund such premium

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provided this amount is greater than or equal to €25 plus applicable Government Levy.

### Alteration to terms and conditions

In the event of a claim We may advise You, at the time of Your next renewal, of altered policy terms and conditions which increase Your premium and/or excess, and/or reduce cover.

## Complaints

We aim to deliver the very highest standards of customer care. If You have any enquiry or complaint, please contact, with Your policy/quote number and details:

> Head of Customer Focus, Allianz p.l.c., Allianz House, Elmpark, Merrion Road, Dublin 4. Tel: 01 – 613 3000 Email: info@allianz.ie

If Your complaint is not resolved to Your satisfaction and You remain dissatisfied with Our final response to Your complaint You can refer Your complaint to:

(1) The Financial Services Ombudsman Bureau, 3rd Floor, Lincoln House, Lincoln Place, Dublin 2. Locall 1890-882090 Tel: 01 – 662 0899 Fax: 01 – 662 0890 Email: enquiries@financialombudsman.ie Website: www.financialombudsman.ie

#### and/or

(2) Insurance Information Services

Irish Insurance Federation,
39 Molesworth Street,
Dublin 2.
Tel: 01 – 676 1914
Fax: 01 – 676 1943
Email: iis@iif.ie
Website: www.iif.ie

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