



My policy...



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# Welcome

Thank you for choosing car insurance through **1st Central**. We are delighted to welcome you as a valued customer.

Your insurance policy is arranged by **1st Central**, which is the brand name of First Central Insurance Management Limited. The motor insurer is named on your Certificate of Insurance.

**1st Central** acts for you, as an intermediary, when it arranges this motor insurance. We set out our role in detail in the accompanying document "**About Our Insurance Service (AOIS)**".

In this document you will find at the outset a '**Private Car Policy Summary'** which outlines the terms of your insurance cover. You will then find two sets of contracts, both of which are legally binding.

The first and main set of contracts is the motor insurance policy and the insurance of Key Assist. ('the **Insurance Contract**'). The **Insurance Contract** contains the terms and conditions of your insurance cover. The motor insurer is named on your Certificate of Insurance and the names of the insurer which provides the Key Assist benefits appear in Section 8. Your premiums on the **Insurance Contract** are due to the Insurer and are payable to the insurers via **1st Central**. **1st Central** holds any money it receives for the insurers on their behalf.

The second contract is the 'Intermediary Contract' with 1st Central. 1st Central sets up your motor insurance and provides you administrative services in relation to your Insurance Contract on the terms of this contract. The administrative fees which you pay on the Intermediary Contract such as set up or cancellation fees are due and payable to 1st Central alone.

**1st Central** will not pay interest to you in any circumstances. However, this does not affect the rights you normally have by law.

Both the **Insurance Contract** and the **Intermediary Contract** are yearly contracts, which may automatically renew at the end of each year.

Please read this document in full together with your Schedule, Certificate of Motor Insurance, Statement of Fact and endorsements, as together these documents form the contracts to which you have agreed.

To make a claim, call **0333 043 2011**.

Kind regards,



Ben Tomasetti, Managing Director

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Claims: 0333 043 2011

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# **Definition of terms**

The following words or phrases have the same meaning wherever they appear in this **document**.

#### 1st Central

Brand name used by First Central Insurance Management Limited.

#### **ADAS**

Advanced Driver Assistance System.

#### **AOIS**

Means the About Our Insurance Service document that **you** will be provided with which contains further information regarding the **Intermediary contract** and associated intermediary service along with applicable fees.

#### **Certificate of Motor Insurance**

The **Certificate of Motor Insurance** shows the car insured, who is allowed to drive the insured car, what the car may be used for and the **Period of insurance** covered.

#### **Computer System**

Means any computer, hardware, software, communications system, electronic device (including, but not limited to, smart phone, laptop, tablet, wearable device), server, cloud or microcontroller including any similar system or any configuration of the aforementioned and including any associated input, output, data storage device, networking equipment or back up facility.

#### **Credit Agreement**

Means the credit agreement between you and First Central Insurance Management Limited.

# **Cyber Act**

Means an unauthorised, malicious or criminal act or series of related unauthorised, malicious or criminal acts, regardless of time and place, or the threat or hoax thereof involving access to, processing of, use of or operation of any **Computer System.** 

## **Cyber Loss**

Means any loss, damage, liability, claim, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with any **Cyber Act** including, but not limited to, any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or remediating any **Cyber Act**.

# Data

Means information, facts, concepts, code or any other information of any kind that is recorded or transmitted in a form to be used, accessed, processed, transmitted or stored by a **Computer System**.

# **Document**

Means all pages contained in this bundle including the cover letter, **Intermediary Contract** and **Insurance Contract**.







#### **Endorsement**

An **endorsement** is a clause that alters **your** cover. Any **endorsement** that applies is shown on **your Schedule.** 

#### **Excess**

The amount of any **claim you** will have to pay if **your car** is lost, stolen or damaged. When **you** set up **your policy you** may also choose to add a voluntary **excess**, and this amount is set by **you**. All **excesses** that apply are shown on **your Schedule**. If **you** need to make a claim, **you** are responsible for paying all **excesses** applying to the **policy**, even if the incident is not **your** fault.

#### Fire

Fire, self-ignition, lightning and explosion.

#### Insurer

For all parts of this **document**, apart from Section 8 Key Assist, the **insurer** is defined as the insurance company (or companies) which cover **you** and whose name is shown on **your Certificate of Motor Insurance**. Under section 8 Key Assist, another definition applies (as shown in section 8).

#### **Insurance Contract**

Means the contract between **you** and the **insurer** for provision of motor insurance made up of the Private car policy wording sections from page 9 onwards of this **document**, the **Schedule**, **Statement of Fact**, **Certificate of Motor Insurance**, and **endorsements**.

#### **Intermediary Contract**

Means the contract between **you** and First Central Insurance Management Limited, which uses the brand name **1st Central**, for the provision of the intermediary services. The **Intermediary Contract** can be found at page 40 of this **document**.

# Key

Any key, device or code used to secure, gain access to, and allow **your car** to be started or driven. Under section 8 Key Assist, another definition applies (as shown in section 8).

# Malicious damage

Damage that is a result of a deliberate act with the purpose of causing harm or damage (including vandalism).

# Market value

The cost of replacing **your car** with one of a similar make, model, age, mileage and condition based on market prices at the time of the accident or loss. This may not be the same price **you** originally paid for **your car** or the value **you** declared on the **Statement of Fact**.

#### **Modifications**

Any changes to **your car** using parts or products that are not from the manufacturer's original specification. This includes any changes to the appearance, performance or handling of **your car**.

## Over the air (OTA) updates

Software updates and settings installed wirelessly such as functionality, performance and safety updates made to **your car**.







#### **Partner**

**Your** husband, wife, civil partner or someone **you** are living with at the same address as if **you** were married to them.

#### Period of insurance

The length of time the **insurer** agreed to provide cover under the **Insurance Contract**. This is usually a one-year period from either the start of **your** insurance **policy** or the date it is renewed. Under section 8 Key Assist, another definition applies (as shown in section 8).

#### **Policy**

Means the Insurance Contract which includes the Schedule, Statement of Fact, Certificate of Motor Insurance, and endorsements. Under Section 8 Key Assist, there is a separate definition of policy which applies.

#### Private motor car

A privately owned motor car made to carry up to eight passengers which is designed only for private use and has not been built or adapted to carry goods or loads. This also includes motor cars that have been professionally adapted or converted to carry a disabled driver or disabled passengers.

#### **Schedule**

The document that confirms details of **you**, **your car** and the insurance protection provided by the **insurer** to **you** or anyone covered by this **policy** to drive **your car**.

# **SORN**

Statutory Off Road Notification. Notice given to the DVLA or DVLNI that **you** don't use or keep **your car** on a public road (for example, **you** keep it in a garage, on a drive or on private land and do not drive it).

# **Statement of Fact**

The document containing the statements made by **you**, the information provided by **you** and declared as correct when **you** applied for, renewed or adjusted **your** cover.

# **Terms**

All **terms**, exceptions, conditions and limits which apply to the **Insurance Contract** or **Intermediary Contract**.

## **Territorial limits**

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and the Republic of Ireland, including travel between any of these places.

## **Theft**

Any **theft** or attempted **theft** that **you** have reported to the police and which **you** have a crime reference number for.

# Total loss

When the **insurer** considers the car to be beyond economic repair.

# **Unpaid premium**

Any part of your premium that you have not paid including any unpaid instalments.







# We, our, us

For all parts of this document, this is First Central Insurance Management Limited unless otherwise stated. Under Section 8 Key Assist, there is a separate definition of **insurer** which applies.

# You, your

For all parts of this document apart from Section 8 Key Assist, you and your is defined as the person named as the policyholder in the Schedule. Under Section 8 Key Assist, another definition applies (as shown in section 8).

#### Your car

Any private motor car stated on your current Certificate of Motor Insurance and Schedule, including a courtesy car provided by one of the approved repairers under this **policy**.



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# **Private car policy summary**

This section is a summary of the policy wording which makes up part of the **Insurance Contract**, this policy summary contains important information, but it does not contain the full terms and conditions of your policy, for the full policy wording please see pages 10 onwards.

**1st Central** holds money payable to the insurer under the **Insurance Contract** on behalf of the insurer. **1st Central** will not pay interest to you from the account used. This does not affect the rights you normally have by law. You can find more details in the policy wording that follows.

This **Insurance Contract** is a yearly contract, which may be automatically renewed at the end of each policy year. To make a claim, call **0333 043 2011**.

#### Conditions relating to your insurance

- All the information that you provided is shown in the Statement of Fact and must be true and complete
  as it forms the basis of your contracts.
- You must do all you can to protect your car from loss or damage and make sure it is legally roadworthy.
- You must make sure that you check your Schedule for any other endorsements which may restrict cover beyond the exclusions shown below.
- If you fail to keep to any conditions, the insurers may reject your claim. If you fail to pay any instalments when due, all contracts may be cancelled, and your motor insurance cover will end.

# **Cancellation within 14 days**

From the start of your policy, you have a 14-day period to change your mind. Your insurer will return any premium paid (including your deposit), less:

- money payable to the insurers for the number of days for which they have provided cover; and
- any fees which may apply under the Intermediary Contract.

You will not be refunded any credit-finance charges. Your insurer will not refund any premium if you have made a claim or have been involved in an incident which might give rise to a claim under the policy. For details of cancelling the policy after the 14 days has passed, please see the General Conditions section.

# Features, benefits and exclusions

Applies × Does not apply Comp: Comprehensive TPFT: Third party, fire and theft

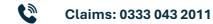
	Features and benefits (what is covered)	Significant or unusual exclusions or limits
Section 1 – Accidental damage ✓ Comp × TPFT	<ul> <li>Replacement or repair if your car, spare parts or accessories are lost, stolen or damaged.</li> <li>New car replacement if, within 12 months of buying it from new, your car is considered by the insurers as a total loss.</li> </ul>	(1 0 /







Section 2 –	Ponlacement or repair if your car appro-	Loss or damage coursed by a member of the familiar
Fire and theft  Comp  TPFT	<ul> <li>Replacement or repair if your car, spare parts or accessories suffer loss or damage by fire, lightning, explosion, theft or attempted theft.</li> <li>New car replacement if, within 12 months of buying it from new, your car is stolen and not recovered.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Loss or damage caused by a member of the family or household of a permitted driver taking the car without your permission.</li> <li>New car replacement depends on a suitable replacement car being available in the UK.</li> <li>The excess shown on your Schedule.</li> <li>Loss of or damage to the car if it is not covered by a valid Department of Transport test certificate (MOT), if one is needed by law.</li> </ul>
Section 3 – Windscreen ✓ Comp × TPFT	<ul> <li>Replacement or repair of windscreens and windows (including scratching of paintwork caused by broken glass).</li> <li>No effect on your no-claims discount.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Windscreens or windows not made of glass.</li> <li>Any hood if your car is a cabriolet or convertible.</li> <li>Any amount over £150 unless the insurers' approved glass supplier is used.</li> <li>The excess shown on your Schedule if your windscreen needs repairing or replacing.</li> <li>Claims for multiple breakages of glass will be limited to one piece of glass only under this section of cover.</li> </ul>
Section 4 – Liability to others  Comp TPFT	<ul> <li>Cover for amounts you are legally responsible for if someone else is injured or killed, or their property damaged, resulting from an accident in your car. However, the following limits will apply.         <ul> <li>Death or injury – unlimited</li> <li>Property damage – up to £20,000,000</li> <li>Legal fees and expenses (with insurer's written permission) – up to £5,000,000</li> </ul> </li> <li>Driving other cars (DOC) cover for the policyholder (comprehensive policies only)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Driving other cars (DOC) cover only applies for comprehensive policies if it is shown on the Certificate of Motor Insurance, and is restricted to the policyholder who must be 25 or over at the start or renewal of the policy. This cover also applies as long as the private motor car is registered, driven and insured elsewhere within the UK. This cover is limited to third party liability only.</li> <li>If you or anyone named on the Certificate of Motor Insurance is convicted of driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, the most the insurer will pay will be the cover required under the Road Traffic Act. The insurer may recover from you any amount that they have to pay.</li> </ul>
Section 5 – No claims discount  Comp TPFT	<ul> <li>No claims discount can be earned for each year of driving without making a claim under the policy.</li> <li>No claims discount protection is available. This will keep your no claims discount intact no matter how many claims you make under the policy.</li> </ul>	The no claims discount protection will not prevent your premium from increasing at renewal. However, the premium calculation will include the no claims discount you are entitled to.
Section 6 – Travelling abroad ✓ Comp ✓ TPFT	<ul> <li>Cover is extended for 90 days in any one period of insurance within any member country of the European Union and Croatia, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Andorra.</li> <li>You can also buy cover for longer than the 90 days.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contact 0333 043 2085 if you would like to upgrade from minimum cover.</li> <li>If you do not tell the insurer about any period beyond 90 days in a row, cover is reduced to the minimum cover in law.</li> </ul>
Section 7 – Extra benefits  Comp  TPFT	<ul> <li>Personal accident – up to £7,500 if an accident in your car results in your death, permanent loss of sight, or total loss of one or more limbs.</li> <li>Personal belongings in or on your car – up to £200 cover for loss or damage caused by accident, fire or theft.</li> <li>Courtesy car – if your vehicle is being repaired by one of the insurers' approved repairers.</li> <li>Hotel expenses - Up to £200 for any necessary overnight accommodation if you cannot continue your journey after an accident or loss.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Personal accident – cover not provided if you are over the age of 87 at the time of the accident.</li> <li>Personal belongings and hotel expenses – cover is provided only if there is no cover in force under any other policy.</li> <li>Courtesy car – this is not guaranteed to be the same size or model as your own car and depends on what is available.</li> </ul>





#### Section 8 -Up to £1,500 cover each year. Any amount over the cover limit in the same period of **Key Assist** No effect on your no-claims discount. insurance. An insured event not reported within 30 days. Replacement locks (if a security risk has Comp arisen), keys and locksmith's charges Vehicle hire charges if the hired vehicle has an engine **TPFT** size over 1600cc and charges over £40 per day. covered. No excess to pay. Any claim made within the first 48 hours of the start of Up to 3 days' car hire if your vehicle is the policy. unusable as a result of the insured keys Keys which have been lost or stolen for a period of less being lost, stolen or damaged by accidental than 48 hours. means or if you stranded due to the insured Claims where you have failed to safeguard your keys. keys being lost, stolen or damaged by accidental means up to £100 per day for reasonably incurred onward transportation costs up to a maximum of 3 days. Section 9 -If parts that need replacing are no longer available in the UK, the most the insurer will pay is the cost shown in the manufacturer's latest price guide plus an amount for fitting. The insurers will not pay extra costs as a General result of parts or replacements not being available in the UK. exceptions All excesses as shown in your Schedule. Comp Track days and off-road events. **TPFT** Seized, clamped or recovered vehicles where legally taken by a government, public or local authorities. Section 10 -If you or anyone acting for you deliberately misrepresents or fails to reveal facts asked on behalf of the insurer that would affect either the terms and conditions or the decision to provide insurance, the insurer General may make your policy void (treat it as if it never existed). This may make any other policies you have conditions obtained void. The insurer will aim to recover any costs paid or that they have an obligation to pay, including Comp claims costs, and will not return any premium you have already paid. **TPFT** If you or anyone acting for you misrepresents or carelessly fails to reveal facts asked on behalf of the insurer that would affect either the terms and conditions or the decision to provide insurance, the insurer may charge you an extra premium or cancel your policy. The insurer may also aim to recover any costs they have had to pay, including claims costs. The insurer will not pay a claim that is any way fraudulent, false, or exaggerated or if you or anyone acting for you makes a claim in a fraudulent or false way. In these cases, the insurer may cancel your policy or declare it void and any other policies that you may have purchased. The insurer may also recover any costs they have had to pay, including claims costs and will not return any premium you have already paid.

Our Comprehensive policies are 5 star rated defaqto and Third Party Fire and Theft policies are rated 3 star.

## Complaints

If you want to make a complaint, you can contact:

by email <u>Customer.Relations@1stcentral.co.uk</u>

in writing First Central Insurance Management Limited, Capital House, 1-5

Perrymount Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3SY

by phone 0333 043 2077

If your complaint cannot be settled, you may be able to refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

## Compensation scheme

Your insurers are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if they cannot pay what they owe under the policy. You can find out more about the Financial Services Compensation Scheme by visiting <a href="https://www.fscs.org.uk">www.fscs.org.uk</a>.







# Private car policy wording

#### **Your Insurance Contract**

This section makes up part of your Insurance Contract and includes the terms of your motor insurance. Please read it together with your Schedule, Certificate of Motor Insurance, Statement of Fact and endorsements, as together these documents form the Insurance Contract between you and the insurer. The Key Assist benefit is provided by Motorplus Limited t/a Coplus and is underwritten by Astrenska Insurance Limited.

This contract is based on the information **you** provided when **you** applied for this insurance, which is shown on the Statement of Fact that have been declared to be correct. **Please take time to check the information shown.** If any of this information is incorrect, please call the Customer Services team immediately on 0333 043 2085. You can also call this number if you have any questions about your policy.

In this **document you** will find a summary of **your** insurance cover at page 6, information about changes which may affect **your** policy and how **you** must tell the **insurer** straight away about any changes **you** make at page 12, as well as how to tell the **insurer** about any claim at page 10. Full information about the cover under **your** insurance policy cover can be found from page 14 onwards.

If your policy does not meet your needs, please return all documents, including the **Certificate of Motor Insurance**, within 14 days. As long as **you** have not made a claim and **you** have not been involved in an incident that might give rise to a claim under the policy, **your insurer** will refund the premium paid less a charge for the number of days covered by the **policy**. Please see the **Intermediary Contract** for information about the set-up fee charge and any applicable cancellation fees.

The legally-binding policy wording is part of the **Insurance Contract** between **you** (the policyholder) and the insurer (as shown on **your** current **Certificate of Motor Insurance**). The parties to the Insurance Contract are **you** and the **insurer**. **Your insurer** has agreed to provide cover for **you** (under the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions in this document and within the geographical limits (defined in section 6)) against **your** liability (legal responsibility) for loss, destruction, accidental injury, or damage that may happen during any period of insurance in connection with **your** car.

Nothing in this contract will create any rights to anyone else under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 and no change to this contract, nor any extra agreement, will create these rights unless stated in the policy. This does not affect any right or remedy of someone else that they may have aside from this act. If there is more than one **insurer** providing this insurance, they are each acting alone and not jointly. If one of the **insurers** does not for any reason meet all or part of their responsibilities under the policy, the other **insurers** will have no responsibility for those obligations.

So that this document may be signed and issued as evidence of the **Insurance Contract**, the **insurer** has entered into an agreement with **1st Central** to allow **1st Central** the right to sign this contract.



Ben Tomasetti, Managing Director

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The Insurance Contract will be governed by English Law unless you have agreed otherwise. The contract is written in English and any associated communications will be in English.

# What to do if you have an accident



24-hour claims helpline number: 0333 043 2011 (or +44 (0) 333 043 2011 from overseas)

If you, or your car, are involved in any type of accident or loss, you or the other named driver (as shown on the Certificate of Motor Insurance) must tell the insurer within 48 hours of the incident by phoning the number above or by going online to Your Account. You must do this whether or not you are at fault and even if you do not plan to claim. The insurer's team will help you to arrange fast and efficient repairs (if your cover is appropriate) through the insurer's extensive approved repairer network. Using the insurers' approved repairer network has several benefits.

- You will not need to get estimates.
- You will be given a courtesy car, free of charge, while your car is repaired. (This depends on what is available, and the insurer cannot guarantee that this will be the same size or model as your car.)
- The bill will be settled directly with them. You only need to pay the excess and any other amount that you will have been told about.
- You can arrange for your car to be collected from your home or place of work and they will also deliver it back.
- The **insurer's** approved repairer's work is guaranteed for five years.
- Your car will be washed and cleaned before being returned to you.

If you choose not to use the insurer's approved repairer network, this may lead to delays in arranging repairs to your car. You will also have to pay an extra excess as well as any other excesses under this policy. The **insurer** will not guarantee the repairs and will not provide a courtesy car.

The insurer may move your car to safe and free storage. You should remove any personal possessions from the car as soon as you are able.

If your car is undriveable and not in a safe location immediately following an incident, the insurer will arrange for you and any passengers in your car to be taken to a safe location, such as a rail station or service station, to continue your journey.

Strict timescales have been set for dealing with claims, in particular those involving bodily injury. A delay may affect your insurer's ability to provide the best defence on your behalf. This kind of delay can result in high costs for your insurer which may go against your driving record or, in extreme cases, may result in your cover being refused.

# Please remember

- When reporting a claim, please have your policy number ready (it is shown on your Schedule and **Certificate of Motor Insurance**).
- Calls, emails, text messages or other communications may be monitored or record in line with UK law (for example, but not limited to, for business purposes such as quality control and training).

As long as they are named on the **policy**, the **insurer** or those acting on **their** behalf will deal with **your** husband, wife or partner who may call on your behalf. The insurer or those acting on their behalf will also speak with the named driver (as shown on the Certificate of Motor Insurance). If you would like someone else to deal with your policy on your behalf on a regular basis, please contact 0333 043 2085.







In some exceptional cases other people, such as a parent or sibling, who call on your behalf can deal with your policy, with your permission. If at any time you would prefer that it is only you who is dealt with, please contact 0333 043 2085.

#### Windscreen claims



🙋 24-hour windscreen claims helpline number: 0333 043 2012

Call the windscreen helpline within 48 hours of discovering the damage to organise a repair or to replace your windscreen or other windows in your car.

#### **Key Assist claims**

In the event of a claim, please contact the insurer as soon as reasonably possible after the insured event giving them as much information as you can about what has happened to bring about the claim. Please try to include the names and addresses of anyone else involved and any information provided by the police.



24-hour Key Assist claims helpline number: 0333 241 3390

# **Customer Information**

#### **Demands and needs**

1st Central insurance meets the demands and needs of those who want to make sure that, if they are involved in a motor accident, claims against them by anyone else for personal injury or damage to property during the period of insurance will be met. Cover may be extended to include fire, theft and accidental damage to the insured vehicle.

## **Automatic renewal**

The insurer may automatically renew your Insurance Contract at the end of your 12-month period of insurance by using the personal and payment details you originally supplied or have since updated. You will be contacted before your renewal date and be provided with information about the Insurance Contract so that you can make an informed decision about your policy and decide if you want to renew. Whether or not you receive a renewal reminder, it is still your responsibility to make sure your insurance is valid and in force. If you pay by instalments and have received a default notice in your policy term, you may not be able to use the monthly payment option when you are due to renew. If your first monthly payment cannot be collected when your policy has renewed, it will be assumed that you'd prefer to not continue your insurance and the **insurer** will cancel **your policy** from **your** renewal date.

# **Supporting documents**

The insurer may ask to see a copy of your driving licence, proof of your no-claims discount and other supporting documents. If you fail to provide these when asked, the insurer may cancel your policy.

#### **Electronic documents**

Your policy documents and Certificate of Motor Insurance are available online, and only in limited circumstances will you be written to by post. Because of this, you must provide a valid email address.







#### Providing all the facts

When asked, if you do not reveal all relevant facts your insurance may not be valid and will not protect you if you need to make a claim. In particular, you should tell the insurer about any incidents (whether your fault or not, and whether you claimed or not). It is an offence to make false statements or withhold information to get motor insurance. The insurers may charge the correct premium, cancel your policy or make it void from the start date (inception) if you misrepresent or deliberately fail to reveal facts that would affect either the terms and conditions of the policy or the decision to provide insurance. In this case, the insurer may aim to recover any costs they have had to pay and may not return any premium you have paid. You may also be charged cancellation fees under the Intermediary Contract.

## **Motor Insurance Database**

Information relating to **your** insurance **policy** will be added to the Motor Insurance Database (MID) managed by the Motor Insurers' Bureau (MIB). MID and the data stored on it may be used by certain government and other organisations including the police, the DVLA, the DVLNI, the Insurance Fraud Bureau and other organisations allowed by law for purposes including:

- electronic licensing
- II. continuous insurance enforcement
- III. law enforcement (prevention, detection and catching or prosecuting offenders)
- IV. providing government services or other services aimed at reducing the level and incidence of uninsured driving.

If **you** are involved in a road-traffic accident (either in the UK, the European Economic Area or certain other territories), the **insurer**, the MIB or someone making a claim (including their appointed representatives) may search the MID to get relevant information.

It is vital that the MID holds **your** correct registration number. If it is incorrectly shown on the MID, **you** are at risk of having **your** vehicle seized by the police. **You** may check **your** correct registration number details are shown on the MID at www.askmid.com. **Insurers** have up to seven days to give the MID **your** details. Please contact **us** immediately if **you** find **your** registration number does not appear correctly.

# **DVLA - My Licence**

By providing **your** Driving Licence Number when obtaining insurance **you** understand **we** will check the DVLA register for details of **your** driving entitlements, history and motoring convictions. **You** can check the information held by the DVLA about **you** by visiting their website at www.gov.uk/view-driving-licence.

#### Who can drive your car?

Only the individuals listed on the **Certificate of Motor Insurance** may drive **your car**. If **you** would like to add, change or remove any drivers, please contact **us** on **0333 043 2085**.

# Increasing your policy cover



0333 043 2085

**We** offer a range of options which allow **you** to extend **your** cover. Please contact **us** if **you** would like details of the cover available.



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# Keeping your policy up to date



0333 043 2085

## Changes which may affect your cover

Failure to keep your information up to date may result in your insurer rejecting your claim or your claim not being paid in full.

As some changes will affect your cover, you need to tell us as soon as possible if there are any changes to the details you have previously declared to us, as shown on your Statement of Fact. These changes will need to be agreed by **us** before **your** car is driven again. For example:

- a change of car;
- if you sell or get rid of your car;
- what you use your car for;
- where your car is kept;
- if you are taking your car abroad;
- any modification to your car, this includes any changes to your car made by any previous owner;
- if you or anyone covered by this policy change jobs, move or change your name;
- if you or anyone covered by this policy no longer live in the UK.
- if you or anyone covered by this policy has been disqualified from driving or has had their licence revoked or the status of the driving licence has changed, for example, if you or any driver has passed their driving test; or
- if you or anyone covered by this policy has an accident or claims under another motor insurance policy.

If you don't tell us about any changes, your insurer may reject your claim. If the change requested means your insurer can no longer offer you insurance, your policy will be cancelled as set out in paragraph 10.7b of the General Conditions.

It is your responsibility to establish and confirm to us the correct information. If the insurer accepts a change to your policy, you may have to pay an administration fee under the Intermediary Contract and an extra premium to the insurer. Or, you may be due a refund of your premium from the insurer. You can find details of fees in Intermediary Contract at page 45. To make any changes to the policy all payments must be up-to-date and you must not owe us or the insurers any money under any contract.



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# Section 1 - Accidental damage

#### ✓ What is covered

If shown on your Schedule, the insurer will cover you under this section for accidental damage or malicious damage to your car, its accessories and spare parts while in or on your car. If your car's ADAS needs to be recalibrated as a result of these repairs, the insurer will also cover these costs.

The **insurer** will also cover **your** navigational equipment, radio and any other sound and visual equipment which is permanently fitted to **your car**.

The **insurer** will cover loss or damage to the car while it is with a member of the motor trade for servicing or repair.

# Section 2 - Fire and theft

#### ✓ What is covered

The insurer will cover you under this section for loss or damage to your car, its accessories and spare parts while in or on your car caused by fire, lightning or explosion, theft or attempted theft. If your car's ADAS needs to be recalibrated as a result of these repairs, the insurer will also cover these costs.

The insurer will also cover loss or damage caused by **fire**, lightning or explosion, **theft** or attempted **theft** to **your** navigational equipment, radio and any other sound and visual equipment which is permanently fitted to **your car**.

The **insurer** will cover loss or damage to the car caused by **fire**, lightning or explosion, **theft** or attempted **theft** while it is with a member of the motor trade for servicing or repair.

# Settling your claim - sections 1 and 2

The insurer will do one of the following.

- If your car is damaged, the insurer will repair the damage
- Replace your car if it is a total loss or stolen
- Settle your claim by paying money if your car is a total loss or stolen

The **insurer** will not pay more than the **market value** of **your car** at the time of the loss or damage, less the total **excesses** and any **unpaid premium.** If **your car** is considered to be a **total loss** or stolen and is under a hire purchase agreement, the **insurer** will settle the claim directly with the owner of the car (i.e. the hire-purchase company). The balance, if any, will be paid to **you**. If **your car** is considered to be a **total loss** or stolen and is under a lease or contract hire agreement, the **insurer** will pay the owner of the car (i.e. the lease or contract hire company) either the **market value** of the vehicle, or the amount required to settle the agreement, whichever is less. The **insurer** may use parts which are not made by the manufacturer of **your car**, but are of equivalent type and quality to the parts replaced. This may include recycled parts or parts made from recycled materials. If any parts that need replacing are no longer available in the UK, the most the **insurer** will pay is the cost shown in the manufacturer's latest price guide plus an amount for fitting. The **insurer** will not pay extra costs as a result of parts or replacements not being available in the UK.

New car replacement







If your car is less than one year old, the insurer will replace it with a new car of the same make and model if:

- you or your partner have been the first and only owner and registered keeper; and
- it is not leased or on contract hire; and
- it has suffered damage covered by this section; and
- the cost of repairing it will be more than 59% of the last UK list price (including taxes).

The **insurer** will only do this if a replacement car is available in the UK and anyone else who has an interest in **your car** agrees. If a suitable replacement car is not available, the **insurer** will settle the claim using one of the methods shown above.

#### × What is not covered under Sections 1 and 2

- The **excesses** shown on the **Schedule** for each section. All **excesses** (including voluntary **excesses**) are cumulative.
- The extra excess shown on your Schedule for claims if you do not use the insurer's approved repairer. All excesses are added together.
- Loss through deception or fraud.
- Loss of or damage to the car if it is not taxed and covered by a valid Department of Transport test certificate (MOT), if one is needed by law.
- Any damage to your car caused by it being driven after an accident.
- Any damage to the car caused deliberately by **you** or any person driving it with **your** permission.
- Any damage to **your car** as a result of racing formally or informally against another motorist, 'road rage' or any other deliberate act caused by **you** or any driver insured to drive **your car**.
- Loss of use of the **car** including hire costs or any other loss **you** suffer as a direct or indirect result of being unable to use the **car**, for example loss of earnings.
- Wear and tear, loss in value, electronic, electrical, mechanical or computer breakdowns, breakages or failures.
- Damage to tyres caused by punctures, bursts, cuts, braking or normal use.
- Any reduction in value following repairs.
- Loss of or damage to the car caused by a member of your immediate family, or a person living in your home taking your car without permission unless you report the person to the Police for taking your car without your permission and assist the Police in prosecution. This includes, your partner, your boyfriend, girlfriend, your children (including step and foster children), and domestic staff in your employment or anyone who normally lives with you.
- Any government, public or local authority legally taking or destroying your car.
- Loss or damage caused by theft or attempted theft if the keys, keyless device or any other vehicle locking devices are left in or on your car while unattended or left unattended with the car still running.
- Loss or damage caused by **theft** or attempted **theft** if the car is unattended without being properly secured, including windows, roof openings, removable roof panels or hood.







- Loss or damage in section 2 if any security device fitted and declared in the **Statement of Fact** is not set and in full working order or the network subscription or maintenance contract is not current.
- Replacing any sound or visual equipment if your insurer has paid you a cash amount to replace your car.
- Any payment over £1000 for loss or damage to sound or visual equipment.
- Claims arising as a result of your failure to take reasonable steps to protect your keys.
- Any payment over £1,000 or 15% of the value of **your car** (whichever is less) for loss or damage to **your** car phone.
- Loss or damage to navigational equipment, radio, and any other sound or visual equipment not permanently fitted to **your car.**
- Any modifications unless they are standard fittings or manufacturer's optional extras.
- If, following an accident, you or anyone named in the Certificate of Motor Insurance is convicted of driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, the insurer will not pay more than the cover needed under the Road Traffic Act and they can ask you to repay them this amount.
- Medical expenses are not covered under this **policy** except as required by the Road Traffic Act, in which case the **insurer** will not pay more than the cover needed under the Road Traffic Act.
- Child car seats are not covered under this policy
- Any loss of or damage to property caused by any vehicle charging point

# Section 3 - Windscreen cover



0333 043 2012

#### ✓ What is covered

If shown on **your Schedule**, the **insurer** will repair the damage to restore the broken or damaged glass in **your car's** windscreen and windows and any scratching to the paintwork caused by the broken glass, as long as there has been no other loss or damage.

The **insurer's** approved repairer may use glass or parts not supplied by the original manufacturer.

Where required, the **insurer** will also cover the costs to recalibrate **your car's ADAS** after the replacement of **your car** windscreen.

To make a claim, contact the **insurer's** windscreen helpline on **0333 043 2012.** 

## × What is not covered

- The excess shown in your Schedule
- Electrical or mechanical items associated with the window mechanisms.
- Repairing or replacing any windscreens or windows which are not made of glass.
- Damage to any hood if **your car** is a cabriolet or convertible.







- Any amount over £150, unless you use the approved glass supplier.
- Any other glass forming part of **your car** including panoramic windscreens, panoramic roofs, sunroofs, roof panels, lights or reflectors.

Replacing or repairing more than one piece of glass per claim under this section.

# Section 4 - Liability to others

# a) Your liability to others

#### ✓ What is covered

- 4.1 The insurer will cover you, for all amounts you legally have to pay if someone else is injured or killed or their property is damaged and that injury, death or damage was caused by or arose out of your use of your car on a road or other public place. This includes injury or death caused by your electric or plug-in hybrid car's charging cables when attached and in use, provided you have taken due care to prevent such an accident.
- **4.2** If you are over 25 and it is shown on your Certificate of Motor Insurance, the insurer will provide you with the same cover as set out in Section 4.1 when you are driving any other private motor car within the territorial limits as long as.
  - You have permission from the owner of the car before using it.
  - You still have your car, and it is not damaged beyond economic repair, stolen or sold and it has a valid road fund licence and a valid MOT (if applicable).
  - The other car is not owned by you or your partner and is not a hire or rental car, or obtained by you or your partner under a hire-purchase or leasing agreement.
  - You are not covered by any other insurance to drive the other car.
  - You are not using this cover to remove the car if it has been seized by, or on behalf of, any government or public authority.
  - There is a valid policy in force for the other car.
  - You are using the other car for social domestic and pleasure purposes (excluding commuting).

Cover also applies to any accident involving injury or damage caused by a trailer, vehicle or caravan towed by this **car**.

The cover provided under this Section 4.2 is for you only and it is third party only.

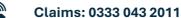
## b) Liability cover for other people

# ✓ What is covered

The **insurer** will also provide cover under 4.1 above for:

- drivers named in the Certificate of Motor Insurance as insured to drive your car as long as they have your permission to drive, hold a valid driving licence, are driving in line with the terms and conditions of that licence and are not disqualified from driving;
- anyone getting into or out of your car;
- anyone you allow to use (but not drive) your car for social, domestic or pleasure purposes;







- the legal personal representative of anyone covered under this section if that person dies; or
- your or your partner's employer or business partner while your car is being used for business purposes, as long as your Certificate of Motor Insurance allows this use.

## c) Legal costs

#### ✓ What is covered

If the **insurer** agrees in writing beforehand, cover is provided for the following legal costs if they arise as a result of an incident covered by this **policy**.

- The reasonable legal fees of solicitors the **insurer** has approved to represent anyone insured under this **policy** at a coroner's inquest or fatal accident enquiry.
- The reasonable fees for legal services, which the **insurer** will arrange, for defending a charge of manslaughter, causing death or serious injury by careless, inconsiderate, dangerous, or reckless driving, if the prospect of success is more than 50 percent.

# d) Emergency medical treatment

#### ✓ What is covered

The **insurer** will pay for emergency treatment fees in line with the Road Traffic Act resulting from an accident covered by this **policy**.

If anyone insured by this section dies, the **insurer** will extend the cover they were entitled to so that it covers their personal representative.

#### × What is not covered under Section 4

These exceptions apply to all of Section 4. No cover will be provided under this policy in respect of:

- Amounts over £20,000,000 for any claim or series of claims for loss of or damage to property including
  any indirect loss or damage caused by one event, plus any amount over £5,000,000 for all costs and
  expenses.
- Loss of or damage to any trailer, caravan, vehicle (or goods or items in them) towed by your car.
- Anyone who has any other insurance covering the same liability.
- Death or injury to anyone while they are working with you or for the driver of the car.
- Damage to any property owned by any driver insured by this **policy**, or for which they are responsible, if caused by any driver named in the **Certificate of Motor Insurance**.
- Legal costs or expenses relating to charges connected with speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or for parking offences.
- Anyone who is not driving, but who makes a claim, if they knew the driver did not hold a valid driving licence.
- Any losses to your property as a result of a vehicle charging point being hacked.





# Section 5 - No claims discount

If you make a claim or one arises under this policy, your no claims discount will be reduced at renewal in line with the scale shown here.

The effect of claims on your no-claims discount(NCD)

	NCD at next renewal without protection		NCD at next renewal with protection
Number of years' NCD when you renew	One claim where you are at fault in the next 12 months	Two or more fault claims in the next 12 months	One or more fault claims in the next 12 months
1 year	0	0	1 year
2 years	0	0	2 years
3 years	1 year	0	3 years
4 years	2 years	0	4 years
5 to 7 years	3 years	0	5 to 7 years
8 or more years	4 years	0	8 or more years (see below)

This is equal to the amount of NCD you have at the beginning of your policy.

- If you make two or more claims in any period of insurance, the insurer will reduce your no claims discount to zero years.
- The following will not reduce your no-claims discount.
  - I. Any payment made under section 3 Windscreen cover.
  - II. Any payment for emergency treatment fees under section 4d Emergency medical treatment.
  - III. Claims where you are not at fault, as long as the insurer has recovered all the money they have paid from those who are responsible.
  - IV. Any payment made under section 8 Key Assist

## Protected no claims discount

If you have bought protected no claims discount:

the insurer will not reduce your no-claims discount if you make a claim or claims under the policy;







- the insurer will not cancel your policy as a result of the number of claims made under the policy;
   and
- your no claims discount protection may end if the **insurer** is made aware of a change in **your** circumstances that makes **you** ineligible or if the **policy** ends or is cancelled under General condition 10.7a or 10.7b.

Your no-claims discount protection does not protect your premium from increasing when you renew your policy. However, the insurer's calculation of your premium will include the no-claims discount you are entitled to.

#### **Important**

- If you make a claim during any period of insurance, you will not earn any no-claims discount entitlement for that insurance period.
- If you make a claim and the **insurer** has already worked out your renewal premium, the **insurer** can change or remove your no-claims discount entitlement and change your renewal premium.

## Uninsured driver promise

If you have an accident with an uninsured driver and it was not your fault, your no-claims discount will not be reduced and you will not be charged a policy excess. However, you may temporarily lose your no-claims discount and pay the policy excess until the insurer is satisfied that the accident was not your fault and the other driver was uninsured. The insurer will then reinstate your no-claims discount and reimburse any policy excess paid depending on the following conditions.

- You give the insurer the vehicle make and model and registration number of the other car that caused the damage.
- The name and address of the other driver.

# Section 6 – Geographical limits and travelling abroad

# **Geographical limits**

**Your policy** provides the cover, described in **your** current **Schedule** in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, Channel Islands and the Republic of Ireland and during travel between these places.

For Key Assist, these geographical limits are the European Union, the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Albania, Andorra, Bosnia Herzegovina, Gibraltar, Iceland, Liechtenstein, FYR Macedonia, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland and Turkey.

#### **Driving abroad**

Your policy provides you with the minimum cover you need by law to use your car in:

- any country which is a member of the European Union; and
- any country which the Commission of the Economic Community approves as meeting the requirements of Article 8(1) of the EC Directive 2009/103/EC, or as amended.







#### **Countries include:**

Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland (including Liechtenstein).

#### Extending full cover driving abroad

The geographical limits shown are automatically extended for a maximum of 90 days free of charge in any one **period of insurance**. During these times, **your policy** will provide the same level of cover as within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, Channel Islands and the Republic of Ireland within the following countries, including the journey between those countries by a recognised carrier.

Please call **us** if **you** think **you** may exceed this limit. Additional cover may be arranged with the **insurer** subject to the **insurer's** Underwriting criteria. A charge may be payable under the **Intermediary Service**, and additional premium may be payable to the **insurer**. Should **you** exceed the 90 days the **insurer** will not provide cover under this **policy** and the **insurer** will recover any costs **they** may incur from **you** or the person who is liable.

#### Countries

Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland (including Liechtenstein)

#### Conditions which apply to this extension

- If you are going to use your car for periods of more than 90 days, you must tell the insurer beforehand and your insurer may decide to allow this if you pay an extra premium.
- You must live in the UK and the visit abroad must be temporary.
- Cover will apply to social, domestic and pleasure use only.
- You must tell the insurer beforehand about visits to any country not listed above. If your insurer accepts, you will be sent a green card and may be charged an extra premium.

If you do not keep to these conditions, the insurer may refuse your claim or the insurance may not be valid.

# **Customs duty**

If you pay customs duty on your car in any of the countries listed above because of repairs covered under the policy, the insurer will meet these costs.

# Section 7 – Extra benefits

The insurer will cover you under this section if shown on your Schedule.

#### 7.1 Personal accident

# ✓ What is covered

The **insurer** will pay **you** or **your** legal representatives up to £7500 in one **period of insurance** if **you** are involved in an accident in **your car** and suffer injuries which within 90 days result in:







- your death;
- totally losing one or more limbs; or
- you permanently losing the sight in one or both eyes.

#### × What is not covered

- Any of the above benefits if **you** are over the age of 87 at the time of the accident.
- Any injury or death caused by suicide or attempted suicide.
- Any deliberate injury caused by you or any driver insured to drive your car.
- Any injury suffered while driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

# 7.2 Personal belongings

# ✓ What is covered

The **insurer** will pay for loss of, or damage to, personal belongings in or on **your car** caused by accidental damage, **fire** or **theft**. The most the **insurer** will pay is £200 for any one incident.

#### × What is not covered

Money, credit or debit cards, stamps, premium bonds, documents, share certificates and other securities, tickets, and vouchers.

- Goods, tools or samples carried in connection with any business.
- Any items stolen from a convertible car unless they are secured in a locked luggage or glove compartment.
- Property insured under any other policy.
- Theft of property from the car if at any time:
  - o the keys or other access locking devices are left in or on your car while it is unattended; or
  - the car is unattended without being properly secured, including windows, roof openings, removable roof panels or hood.

# 7.3 Courtesy car

#### ✓ What is covered

If following an accident or after sustaining **fire** or **theft** damage **your car** is being repaired by an approved repairer, the **insurer** will provide **you** with an alternative car for the duration of repair. If the alternative car supplied is a courtesy car, **you** can only drive this within the **territorial limits**. It will be insured under this **policy** on the same terms and conditions as **your car**. A courtesy car is typically a small vehicle.

#### × What is not covered

- A courtesy car will not be provided if **your car** has been stolen, is a total loss, falls under the new-car replacement scheme or if **you** choose a repairer not on the **insurer's** approval panel.
- The **insurer** cannot guarantee a courtesy car if **you** own a car originally produced for sale outside the European Union.







• The insurer cannot guarantee a courtesy car adapted for someone with special needs or a disability.

#### 7.4 Hotel expenses

The **insurer** will pay hotel expenses up to £200 for any necessary overnight accommodation if **you** cannot continue **your** journey after an accident or loss covered by this **policy**. The most the **insurer** will pay for any one event is £200.

# **Section 8 - Key Assist**

Key Assist is included to give **you** extra protection against expensive costs if **your keys** are lost, stolen or damaged accidently. It provides **you** with up to £1,500 cover that can be used for locksmith charges, the cost of new locks (if a security risk has arisen) or car hire charges.

#### Who does it cover?

- The policyholder;
- Any immediate member of the policyholder's family permanently living at the same address;
- When the policyholder is a company this includes current employees authorised to use the relevant **vehicle** or property.

# What criteria apply?

- Claims must occur within the territorial limits;
- Stolen keys must be reported to the police and a valid crime reference number obtained.
- All claims must be reported no later than 30 days of the insured event;
- Your permanent main resident must be within the territorial limits;
- The **vehicle** must not be in any way connected to the motor trade.

# Important information

• This **policy** has been offered based on information provided by **you**. If any of this information is incorrect, or changes during the term of **your policy**, please let 1st Central know at **your** earliest convenience to ensure that **your** cover remains fully effective and in force.

# Your responsibility

You must take reasonable care to:

- a) supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions 1st Central may ask as part of **your** application for cover under the **policy**
- b) make sure that all information supplied as part of **your** application for cover is true and correct c) tell 1st Central of any changes to the answers **you** have given as soon as possible.

**You** must take reasonable care to provide information that is accurate and complete answers to the questions 1st Central ask when **you** take out, make changes to and renew **your policy**. If any information **you** provide is not accurate and complete, this may mean **your policy** is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim or **we** may not pay any claim in full.







If you become aware that information you have given to 1st Central is inaccurate or has changed, you must inform them as soon as possible.

This policy must be read together with your current schedule, Insurance Product Information Document and any endorsements or certificates. These items together form your contract of insurance.

#### How to make a claim

In the event of a claim, please contact us as soon as reasonably possible after the insured event giving us as much information as you can about what has happened to bring about the claim. Please try to include the names and addresses of anyone else involved and any information provided by the police.





Or you can write to us at:

Coplus Floor 2 Norfolk Tower 48-52 Surrey Street Norwich NR13PA

Claims must be reported to us within 30 days of occurrence and if an insured key has been stolen it must be reported to the police immediately and a crime reference number obtained.

Our claims line is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to assist you.

In order for **us** to help **you** more efficiently, please quote "Key Assist" in all communications.

# How to make a complaint

It is the intention to give you the best possible service but if you do have any questions or concerns about this insurance or the handling of a claim you should follow the Complaints Procedure below:

Complaints regarding:

Sale of the policy:

Please contact 1st Central who arranged the Insurance on your behalf.

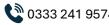
Claims:

If Your complaint is about the handling of a claim, please contact:

Quality Assurance Manager Coplus Floor 2

Norfolk Tower 48-52 Surrey Street

Norwich NR13PA





The **insurer** which has issued the policy:

You may write to Managing Director of Astrenska Insurance Limited, 3 More London Riverside, London, SE1 2AQ. When writing please include the following information: 1) name, address and postcode, telephone







number, 2) policy number and/or claim number, 3) the reason for your complaint, and 4) copies of any material you may wish to provide the insurer.

In all correspondence please quote scheme reference 'Key Assist'. If it is not possible to reach an agreement, you have the right to make an appeal to the Financial Ombudsman Service. You may contact the Financial Ombudsman Service at:

The Financial Ombudsman Service,

Exchange Tower,

London,

E14 9SR.



0800 023 4567



complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

The above complaints procedure is in addition to your statutory rights as a consumer. For further information about your statutory rights contact your local Citizens Advice Bureau.

If you have purchased the insurance policy online, you may also raise your complaint via the EU Online Dispute Resolution Portal at http://ec.europa.eu/consumers/odr/. This will forward your complaint to the correct Alternative Dispute Resolution scheme. For insurance complaints in the UK this is the Financial Ombudsman Service. However, this may be a slower route for handling your complaint than if you contact the Financial Ombudsman Service directly.

In the final event that your complaint still remains unresolved and in order to seek an independent review, you may also write to the Arbiter for Financial Services: -

Office of the Arbiter for Financial Services First floor, St Calcedonius Square Floriana FRN1530 Malta

## Our regulator and insurer

This insurance is arranged by Motorplus Limited t/a Coplus and underwritten by Astrenska Insurance Limited, whose registered office is at 3 More London Riverside, London, SE1 2AQ. This insurance is affected in England and is subject to the Laws of England and Wales.

Astrenska Insurance Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Financial services register number 202846. These details can be checked on the Financial Services Register by visiting: www.fca.org.uk or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on **0800 111 6768**.

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# **Privacy Statement**

For full details of how we protect your privacy and process your data please read the Privacy Statement that accompanies this **policy**. The Privacy Statement can also be viewed online by visiting https://www.coplus.co.uk/data-privacy-notice

## **Astrenska Privacy Notice**

## How we use the information about you

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







- Meet our contractual obligations to you;
- issue you this insurance policy;
- deal with any claims or requests for assistance that you may have
- service your policy (including claims and policy administration, payments and other transactions);
   and,
- detect, investigate and prevent activities which may be illegal or could result in your policy being cancelled or treated as if it never existed;
- protect our legitimate interests

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

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

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

#### **Processing your data**

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

- necessary for the performance of the contract that you have with us;
- is in the public or your vital interest: or
- for our legitimate business interests.

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

# How we store and protect your information

All personal information collected by us is stored on secure servers which are either in the United Kingdom or European Union.

We will need to keep and process **your** personal information during the period of insurance and after this time so that we can meet our regulatory obligations or to deal with any reasonable requests from our regulators and other authorities.

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

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

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

Email address: data.protection@collinsongroup.com

Postal Address: 3 More London Riverside, London, SE1 2AQ

This will normally be provided free of charge, but in some circumstances, we may either make a reasonable charge for this service or refuse to give **you** this information if your request is clearly unjustified or excessive.

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







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

#### Telephone calls

Please note that for our mutual protection telephone calls may be monitored and/or recorded.

#### Fraud prevention, detection and claims history

To prevent and detect fraud we may at any time:

- share information about you with other organisations and public bodies including the police;
- check and/or file **your** details with fraud prevention agencies and databases, and if **you** give **us** false or inaccurate information and **we** suspect fraud, **we** will record this.

We and other organisations may also search these agencies and databases to:

- help make decisions about the provision and administration of insurance, credit and related services for **you** and members of **your** household;
- trace debtors or beneficiaries, recover debt, prevent fraud and to manage **your** accounts or insurance policies;
- check **your** identity to prevent money laundering, unless **you** provide **us** with other satisfactory proof of identity; undertake credit searches and additional fraud searches.

#### **Governing Law**

Unless some other law is agreed in writing, this **policy** is governed by English law. If there is a dispute, it will only be dealt with in the courts of England or of the country within the United Kingdom in which **your** main residence is situated.

# **Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999**

The terms of this **policy** are only enforceable by the named **insured**. A person who is not a named **insured** has no rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this **policy** but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party, which exists or is available apart from that Act.

# **Your Agreement with Others**

This contract of insurance is personal to you the policyholder, and the insurer.

The **insurer** will not be bound by any agreement between **you** and **your** appointed representative, or **you** and any other person or organisation.

You may not assign any of the rights under this policy without the insurer's express prior written consent.

# **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

Astrenska Insurance Limited is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, if Astrenska Insurance Limited cannot meet their obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Most insurance contracts are covered for 90% of the claim with no upper limit. **You** can get more information about compensation scheme arrangements from the FSCS or visit www.fscs.org.uk.

**You** may also contact the FSCS on their Freephone number: 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100 or **you** can write to: Financial Services Compensation Scheme, P O Box 300, Mitcheldean, GL17 1DY.

## **Sanctions**

**We** shall not provide cover or be liable to pay any claim or other sums, including return premiums, where this would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions, asset freezing or trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom, and/or all other jurisdictions where we transact business.







#### Use of language

For the purposes of this insurance contract the language used will be English.

#### Other formats

If you require this document in any other format, please do not hesitate to contact us.

# **Definition of terms for Key Assist**

The words and phrases listed below will have the same meanings wherever they appear in this Section 8 of the **policy**. These words and phrases can be identified in **bold** throughout this section of cover.

#### **Accidental**

The sudden and unexpected damage caused to the **insured keys** which is not otherwise specially excluded from this policy

#### Home

A building owned or rented by **you** and occupied by **you** as **your** main residence which is used solely for domestic residential purposes and is situated within the **territorial limits**.

#### **Insured event**

The loss, theft or damage by **accidental means** of any **insured key**, or any insured key locked inside **your home** or **vehicle** during the **period of insurance**.

## Insured Key/Keys

**Your vehicle**, **home**, garage or office keys for which **you** are responsible (including security safe keys and any immobiliser, infrared handset and/or alarm which is integral to any insured key if it cannot be repaired or reprogrammed).

#### Insurer

Astrenska Insurance Limited.

## **Level of Indemnity**

£1,500 for keys lost, stolen or damaged by **accidental means**.

£100 for key locked in your home or vehicle.

£100 for keys broken in lock or ignition.

#### **Onward transportation**

The transport to allow **you** to reach **your** destination within the **territorial limits** following an **insured event** which has left **you** stranded.

# Period of insurance

The length of time covered by this **policy** up to a maximum of 12 month, as stated on your policy schedule.

# **Policy**

This Key Assist **policy**.

# **Security Risk**

The risk arising from the accidental loss or theft of an **insured key** whilst in **your** personal custody which means it may be possible for someone who found the key to trace it to **your car** or property. The decision as to whether **your** lost **insured keys** presents a security risk will be made by **us**.

#### **Stranded**

Unable to leave your location/reach your final destination following an insured event.







#### **Territorial limits**

The European Union, the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Albania, Andorra, Bosnia Herzegovina, Gibraltar, Iceland, Liechtenstein, FYR Macedonia, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland and Turkey.

#### **Terrorism**

Any direct or indirect consequence of terrorism as defined by the Terrorism Act 2000 and any amending or substituting legislation.

#### Vehicle

Any motor vehicle owned by you or for which you are responsible, associated with your insured keys.

#### **Wear and Tear**

Damage that naturally and inevitably occurs as a result of normal wear and aging.

#### We/our/us

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#### You/Your/Insured

The policyholder along with your spouse or partner, your parents or parents-in-law or your children that resides at the same address as the policyholder, including named drivers of the **vehicle**. Where the policyholder is a company this includes employees of the company, employed by the company during the **period of insurance** who are authorised to use the relevant **vehicle** or property.

#### ✓ What is covered

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

When your insured keys are lost, stolen or damaged by accidental means within the territorial limits, the insurer will pay up to the level of indemnity in any one period of insurance for the insured event in respect of:

- locksmiths charges;
- new locks (if a security risk has arisen); and
- replacement insured keys
- Vehicle hire or reasonable travel expenses for a period of up to 3 days if **your vehicle** is unusable as a result of the **insured keys** being lost, stolen or damaged by **accidental means**. The **insurer** will either pay up to a maximum of £50 per day for a hire vehicle such as a Ford Focus 1.6 or a Peugeot 307 1.6 (ABI class S4), or a maximum of £50 per day towards reasonable travel expenses.
- The cost incurred for **onward transportation** to **your** destination if **you** are **stranded** due to the **insured keys** being lost, stolen or damaged by **accidental means**, up to a maximum of £300.
- If your insured keys are locked in your property or vehicle you must report this to us before proceeding with your own locksmith. Upon validation of your claim, the insurer will reimburse you for costs incurred in obtaining a replacement key, or repairing or replacing any damaged lock, up to the level of indemnity.
- Insured keys that are unusable due to being damaged or broken in the lock or ignition, up to the level of indemnity.

#### **Additional Benefits**

• A 24 hour, 365 days a year emergency helpline.







Access to a nationwide network of locksmiths whilst you are in the Great Britain, Northern Ireland,
 Channel Islands or Isle of Man

#### Care, custody and control

When visiting facilities such as, but not limited to, swimming pools, sports clubs and amusement parks and are not in a position to keep **your** keys on your person, **your** keys must be fully hidden from view and stored in a safe and lockable compartment or locker;

There are a number of ways in which **you** can take precautions to better protect **your** keys to reduce them being lost, stolen or damaged, as follows:

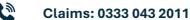
- a) Never attach anything to **your** keys that contains **your** name, address or any details of where your car may frequently be parked and never leave keys unattended.
- b) Never hide keys under door mats, bins or on top of window frames as an opportunistic thief may be watching or may guess where keys may be hidden.
- c) Never leave doors unlocked or windows open when leaving the home or vehicle unattended..
- d) Never leave **your** keys in **your vehicle**, even for a moment, especially when you are visiting petrol stations, or whilst loading or unloading **your vehicle**. Always lock **your** car when leaving it.
- e) Do not keep duplicate keys on the same key ring as your main keys.
- f) Burglars are increasing turning to key crime as sophisticated security measures are now fitted as standard to new cars and have been known to break into homes and offices just to steal vehicle keys. Never leave car keys close to the front door where they can be seen.

#### × What is not covered

The following exclusions apply to this section of the **policy**:

- Keys damaged over time by wear and tear or general maintenance of insured keys or locks.
- We will pay no more than £1,500 in total in any one period of insurance for any and all claims.
- Any **insured keys** that have been lost or stolen for a period of less than 48 hours (unless **we** are satisfied that a delay would cause undue hardship or significant expense).
- The decision as to what constitutes undue hardship or significant expense will be made by **us** and may depend upon whether **you** can access **your home** or **vehicle** during the 48 hour wait period or there is a **security risk** following the loss or theft of the **insured keys**.
- Insured keys that are lost or damaged by accidental means by someone other than you.
- Any insured keys that are lost, damaged by accidental means or stolen and not reported to us
  within 30 days of the insured event.
- We will not replace locks or insured keys to a higher specification to those that are lost, damaged or stolen.
- Locks which were previously damaged prior to the loss or theft of your insured keys.







- Costs incurred where **we** arrange for the attendance of a locksmith or other tradesmen, agent or representative at a particular location and **you** fail to attend. **You** may be liable to pay the costs incurred for the attendance of a locksmith or other tradesmen if **you** fail to notify **us** of any changes to attend the agreed location.
- Costs incurred where you make alternative arrangements with a third party, after we have already
  instructed a locksmith or other tradesman to attend a particular location. You may be liable to pay
  the costs incurred for the attendance of a locksmith or other tradesmen if you fail to notify us of any
  changes.
- Claims arising as a result of **your** failure to take reasonable steps to protect the **insured keys**, including but not limited to those detailed in the General Conditions Care, custody and control section above.
- Any claims where proof of payment is not provided, such as valid receipts or tickets.
- Any incident which occurs within 48 hours of the inception of this policy unless comparable insurance was previously in place and cover continues on an uninterrupted basis.
- Any claim over £100 for any one incident when **insured keys** are locked inside a property or **vehicle** or broken in the lock or ignition.
- Damage caused by any animal including domestic pets.
- Claims arising as a result of the use of the vehicle for any purpose in connection with the motor trade.
- Where your insured keys have been left unattended, not within your sight at all times, and out of your arms-length reach.
- Claims where only the lock is damaged.
- Claims for damaged keys which was not caused by accidental means.
- Any claim for additional or duplicate keys.
- Multiple claims for the same insured keys which have been repeatedly damaged by the same lock, where the lock has not been repaired or replaced by the insured.
- The recovery of your vehicle or any costs associated with the recovery your vehicle.
- Onward transport costs where hire has already been supplied.
- Cost incurred where you have appointed your own locksmith or other tradesmen prior to our consent.
- Any direct or indirect consequence of:
  - Irradiation, or contamination by nuclear material; or
  - The radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any radioactive matter; or







- O Any device or weapon which employs atomic or nuclear fission or fusion or other comparable reaction or radioactive force or matter.
- Loss or damage caused by war, invasion, foreign enemy hostilities (whether war is declared or not), civil war, terrorism, rebellion, revolution, military force or coup, or confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, destruction of or damage to property by or under the order of any government, local or public authority.
- Any claims arising from any deliberate or criminal act or omission by you.
- Loss or theft of, or damage to insured keys occurring outside the period of insurance.
- If your insured key ceases to function correctly a diagnostic check may be requested at your own expense. This is to confirm if the fault is with the insured key or the vehicle. Only faults identified as relating to the insured key are covered under this section of the policy.
- Any associated costs (other than the cost of replacing the insured keys) if there are duplicate keys available to you immediately or within a reasonable period of time, unless we are satisfied that accessing your duplicate keys would cause undue hardship or significant expense. The decision as to what constitutes undue hardship or significant expense will be made by us and may depend upon how easily you can access your duplicate keys.
- Keys which are given to you for safekeeping by a relative, friend, neighbour or employer.
- Any loss of earnings or profits which **you** suffer as a result of the loss or theft of, or damage to an **insured key**.
- Stolen **insured keys** which have not been reported to the police and a valid crime reference number provided to **us**.
- Any consequence, howsoever caused, including but not limited to Computer Virus of Electronic Data being lost, destroyed, distorted, altered, or otherwise corrupted.

For the purposes of this section of the **policy**, Electronic Data shall mean facts, concepts and information stored to form useable data for communications, interpretations, or processing by electronic or electromechanical data.

## **General conditions**

The following conditions apply to this section of the **policy**. **You** must comply with them where applicable in order for **your** cover to remain in full force and effect.

#### 1. Claims

**You** must notify **us** within 30 days of any event which gives or may give rise to a claim, complete any forms requested by **us** or by 1st Central and promptly supply all information including any receipts and invoices for payment as required.

If an **insured key** has been stolen it must be reported to the police immediately and a crime reference number obtained.

If you do not own your property and your claim is in relation to the **keys** to your home, we may require permission from the owner, landlord or managing agent of the property to replace lost or stolen **keys**.







#### 2. Arbitration Clause

A dispute between you and us may arise, which may be referred to an arbitrator, who shall be either a solicitor or a barrister who you and we agree on in writing. If an arbitrator cannot be agreed then an arbitrator will be appointed by the authorised body identified in the current arbitration legislation. The decision of the arbitration shall be final and binding on both parties and he or she will decide who should pay the costs of the arbitration. If costs are awarded against you, they are not covered under this policy.

This arbitration condition does not affect **your** rights to take separate legal action. If a disputed claim is not referred to arbitration within 12 months of **your** claim being turned down, **we** will treat the claim as abandoned.

#### 3. Fraudulent Claims

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

- fails to reveal or hides a fact likely to influence whether we accept your proposal, your renewal, or any adjustment to your policy;
- fails to reveal or hides a fact likely to influence the cover we provide;
- makes a statement to **us** or anyone acting on **our** behalf, knowing the statement to be false;
- sends us or anyone acting on our behalf a document, knowing the document to be forged or false;
- makes a claim under the policy, knowing the claim to be false or fraudulent in any way;
- makes a claim for any loss or damage you caused deliberately or with your knowledge; or
- If your claim is in any way dishonest or exaggerated,

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

#### 4. Severability Clause

If any term of this contract of insurance is to any extent invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, such term will be excluded to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability; all other terms will remain in full force and effect.

#### 5. Acts of Parliament

All references to Acts of Parliament in this **policy** shall include the equivalent laws in Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands and shall include any subsequent amendments, reenactments or regulations. Key Assist is automatically included within **your** private car insurance **policy** and can only be cancelled if the main **policy** is cancelled at the same time.

# 6. Premium

The premium is the monies paid for cover under this section which includes the **insurer's** charge for the risk insured and its associated costs to which it is entitled and any sum due to **your** intermediary(s) and retainable by them for facilitating the provision of this cover to **you**.



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# **Section 9 – General exceptions**

These exceptions apply to all Sections of the policy except Section 8 (Key Assist).

## 9.1 Who uses your car

The insurer will not cover any injury, loss, damage or liability caused or arising while your car is:

- being driven by a person who is not shown on the Certificate of Motor Insurance as entitled to drive;
- being used for a purpose not expressly permitted by the Certificate of Motor Insurance;
- being used for a purpose expressly excluded by the Certificate of Motor Insurance;
- being driven by a person who does not hold a valid driving licence or is not driving in line with the conditions of the licence or is disqualified from driving.
- being rented out, including as part of any peer to peer hire scheme.
- being used if you have opted to not have your cars ADAS recalibrated when it has previously been required or recommended.
- being used to carry more passengers than the vehicle manufacturers specifications.
- being used to carry passengers in an unsafe or illegal manner, including where they are not appropriately secured in the vehicle.
- being used to carry passengers in or on any area of the vehicle not intended for passengers, including cargo areas and footwells.
- being used as a public or private emergency service or response vehicle.
- being used as a public or private military or law enforcement vehicle.

# This exception does not apply to Section 2 or 3 of the policy if your car is:

- with a member of the motor trade for repair or maintenance;
- stolen or taken without your permission; or
- being parked by an employee of a hotel, restaurant or car-parking service.

#### 9.2 Contracts

The **insurer** will not cover any claim resulting from an agreement or contract unless the claim would have been covered if the agreement or contract did not exist.

## 9.3 Radioactivity or ionising radiation

The insurer will not cover any loss, damage, injury or legal liability caused directly or indirectly by:

- radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of any nuclear material or equipment or any part of it; or
- ionising radiation or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or any nuclear waste from burning nuclear fuel.







#### 9.4 War

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability, directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to as a result of war, revolution, rebellion, insurrection or any similar event, or requisition or destruction by or under the order of any Government, public or local authority action.

#### 9.5 Riot

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused by riot or civil commotion outside **Territorial limits** of this **policy**.

### 9.6 Earthquake

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused by earthquake or the results of earthquake.

#### 9.7 Pollution

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused by pollution or contamination unless caused by a sudden, identifiable event which was unexpected and not deliberate and happened at a specific time and place.

#### 9.8 Pressure waves

The **insurer** will not cover any loss or damage caused by pressure waves from aircraft or other flying objects.

#### 9.9 Use on airfields

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability when **your car** is in an area or airport premises where aircraft are usually to be found taking off, landing, manoeuvring or parked or to which the public does not have free access for vehicles.

# 9.10 Racing, track days and off-road events

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused by or arising out of the use of **your car** for racing formally or informally against any other motorist or road user on a public road or highway, or at any event during which it may be driven on a motor racing track, airfield, Nürburgring Nordschleife or any other off-road area or for racing, pace making, rallying, track days, trials, speed tests, or driving competitively, irrespective of whether this takes place on a public road or highway, or any circuit or track, formed or otherwise. This exception applies regardless of any statutory authorisation of any such event.

## 9.11 Dangerous locations

The insurer will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage, liability caused or arising at any of the following.

- Ministry of Defence premises or military bases other than areas specifically restricted to access or parking by the general public.
- Power stations or nuclear installations or establishments.
- Refineries, bulk-storage or production premises in the oil, gas or chemical, explosive, ammunition or pyrotechnic industries.







#### 9.12 Dangerous goods

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused by or arising out of carrying dangerous goods. These are goods or substances referred to in the European Agreement to do with the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), for example explosive substances, gases, solids or liquids which catch fire easily, self-reactive substances and solid desensitized explosives, substances which give off gases that can catch fire when in contact with water, substances which can catch fire when in contact with water, organic peroxides, oxidizing, toxic or infectious substances, radioactive material and corrosive substances.

## 9.13 Seized, clamped or recovered vehicles

The **insurer** will not cover any loss or damage due to any government, public or local authority legally taking, keeping or destroying **your car**.

### 9.14 Criminal and Deliberate Use

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused by or arising out of the use of **your car** (or any other car you are covered to drive under this policy) for criminal purposes (including avoiding lawful apprehension) or deliberate use to cause injury to any person or put any person in fear of injury or to cause damage to other vehicles or property.

#### 9.15 Drink and Drugs

If an accident happens while you or anyone named in the **Certificate of Motor Insurance** is driving while unfit through drink or drugs (whether prescribed or otherwise), is convicted of driving whilst over the legal limit for alcohol or drugs, or fails to provide a sample of breath, blood or urine when required to do so without lawful reason, then the **insurer** will not provide any cover under this **policy.** 

#### 9.16 Mobile Phone

If an accident happens while you or anyone named in the **Certificate of Motor Insurance** is driving and is charged or is convicted of using a mobile phone whilst driving, then the **insurer** will not provide any cover under this **policy.** 

# 9.17 Cyber attack or events

We shall not be liable for any death, bodily injury, loss or damage as a result of interference, malfunction, failure or loss of **Data**, (whether deliberate, unauthorised, criminal or a series of related acts), of the vehicle electronics or **Computer Systems** of artificial intelligence systems caused by or resulting from a **Cyber Act or Cyber Loss**.

#### 9.18 Terrorism

The **insurer** will not cover any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability caused as a result of an act of terrorism as defined by the Terrorism Act 2000 if in the UK, or the terrorism legislation applicable where the incident took place.





# Section 10 - General conditions

These General Conditions apply to all Sections of the policy except Section 8 (Key Assist).

#### 10.1 Your duty

The insurer will only provide you with the cover set out in this policy if:

- you and anyone else claiming cover under this policy has kept to all the terms and conditions of the policy; and
- the information you gave on your Statement of Fact or claims report is true and complete.

If the **insurer** discovers that **you** or someone acting for **you** had knowingly provided incorrect information, the **insurer** will make the **policy** void and treat it as though it had never existed and not refund any premium or pay **your** claim. If **you** were not aware that the information **you** had provided was incorrect, and the correct details mean **your insurer** would not have offered **you** insurance, **your policy** may be cancelled or declared void. If **your insurer** would have offered **you** insurance but on different terms, **you** may be asked to pay an extra premium. **You** may also be charged a cancellation or amendment fee under the **Intermediary Contract**.

**You** must co-operate with **your insurer**, respond to reasonable requests for information or documents, and where necessary be available to speak to **your insurer** or anyone acting on behalf of the **insurer**. This includes if **you** are using someone else to represent **your** interests, whether or not a claim has been made on the **policy**.

If you do not comply with those requirements, the **insurer** may cancel your policy and your claim may not be paid.

# 10.2 Providing all information

**Your** premium is based on the information **you** supplied when **you** started, amended or renewed **your** insurance. If **you** have failed to give complete and accurate information, this could lead to **your** claim being denied, **you** having to pay any costs or the insurance not being valid.

**You** must also tell **us** immediately about any changes to the information **you** provided when **you** started, amended or renewed **your** insurance. Some examples of the changes **you** should tell **us** about are set out on page 12 of this **policy**.

### 10.3 Reporting loss or damage

If you or your car is involved in any type of accident or loss, you must tell the insurer within 48 hours of discovering the loss by phoning the 24-hour helpline on 0333 043 2011. You must do this whether or not you are at fault and even if you do not plan to claim. (If you want to claim for glass damage to your car only, you must call the 24-hour windscreen helpline on 0333 043 2012 within 48 hours of discovering the damage.)

## You must:

- provide all the information about the accident, loss or claim that the insurer needs;
- tell the insurer at once if you receive any notice of prosecution, inquest or fatal enquiry; and
- send the **insurer** any writ, summons or letters received in connection with any claim, accident or loss as soon as **you** receive them.

Claims: 0333 043 2011

If **you** fail to report any accident or loss within 48 hours of discovering it, whether **you** were at fault and whether or not **you** plan to claim, the **insurer** may refuse to provide cover.





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#### You must not:

- admit that the accident was your fault; or
- attempt to settle the claim unless the insurer has given you permission in writing.

#### Your insurer is entitled to:

- defend or settle any claim on your behalf;
- take legal action over any claim in **your** name or the name of any person insured on the **policy** for **their** own benefit;
- admit negligence for any accident or claim on your behalf;
- share information with others involved with the accident or claim; and
- take from the claim settlement amount any amount **you** owe under the related credit agreement (if this applies).

#### 10.4 Taking care of your car

### You or any other person covered by this insurance must:

- protect your car from loss or damage;
- make sure your car is legally roadworthy;
- allow **your insurer** or any representative acting on behalf of the **insurer** to inspect **your car** at any reasonable time if **you** are asked; and
- make sure whenever your car is unattended that it is secured, locked and the keys (or keyless entry system) are removed and the car is not left running. Also make sure that any immobiliser or alarm system is turned on.
- make sure any Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) fitted by the vehicle manufacturer to your car are calibrated and updated to the manufacturer's standard.
- make sure that **you** follow the manufacturer's instructions and load any software and/or safety related updates, this includes any over the air updates that the manufacturer may supply to **you** as owner of the **car**.

You should take as many precautions as you can to protect your car.

If an accident happens and the condition of the vehicle caused or contributed to the accident, the **insurer** will not provide any cover under this **policy**.

#### 10.5 Car Tax, MOT and Registration

**Your car** must be taxed where applicable and registered in the UK with the DVLA or DVLNI and is covered by a valid Department of Transport test certificate (MOT) if one is needed by law.

# 10.6 Car sharing

The **insurer** will not cover **you** for any accident, injury, loss, damage or liability while **your car** is being used to carry passengers for hire or reward. However, **you** may accept money for fuel if **you** carry passengers for social or similar purposes as part of a car-sharing arrangement as long as:

your car is not made or adapted to carry more than eight passengers;







- you are not carrying the passengers as customers of a passenger-carrying business; and
- you do not make a profit from carrying the passengers.

# 10.7 Cancelling your policy

If you cancel your **Insurance Contract**, any additional operative section of the policy as detailed within **your schedule** of insurance will also be cancelled automatically at the same time. If **your policy** is cancelled, **the** insurer will return any premium, including the deposit, paid for this **policy** less:

- a charge for the number of days the **insurer** has provided cover for;
- any fees applicable under the Intermediary Contract;
- any credit finance charges due under a credit agreement;
- any amount you may owe 1st Central or the insurer under any other contract.

If any of the following apply, **you** may not receive any refund and **you** may still have to pay the balance of the full yearly premium and the balance due under your **credit agreement**. This applies in all circumstances no matter what payment method **you** use.

- You have made a claim in the policy year or a claim has been made against your policy.
- You have been involved in an incident which might give rise to a claim under the policy.
- The instalment payments are not up to date under a **credit agreement**. **You** may be charged a proportionate amount to bring **your** payments up to date, together with any relevant fee.
- Fraud, deception or not providing information as referred to in 10.2 above and 10.11 below.

Where a policy is cancelled for whatever reason, the instalments that have been paid may not be sufficient to pay for the cover received. In this case, the amount owed for the cover received will need to be paid after cancellation plus any interest and fees that apply, see the credit agreement.

#### Please note

- If you have bought any extra cover to run with your policy, you should see the policy wording for any refund due when you cancel.
- Any refund or payment due to you will be credited to the last card used or may be paid towards another card if you ask and the insurer agree.
- Cancelling any Direct Debit Instruction with your bank does not cancel your policy, unless it is your first payment due for your renewal. You must tell us you want to cancel.

Under the Road Traffic Act, it is an offence:

- to drive or allow others to drive your vehicle if you do not have valid insurance, or
- to own a vehicle (unless a SORN has been provided to the DVLA) if you do not have valid insurance.







#### 10.7a If you cancel your policy

**You** have the right to cancel **your policy** at any time online in Your Account, by contacting **us** via web chat or calling the number below.



#### 0333 043 2085

We will cancel the **policy** from the date **you** contact **us**, or from any later date agreed by **us**. **You** cannot cancel the **policy** from an earlier date.

### 10.7b If we cancel your policy

The **insurer** can authorise **us** at any time to cancel **your policy** by sending **you** seven days written notice to the last postal or e-mail address **we** have for **you** on **our** system. Examples of when **we** can do this include:-

- if you fail to keep up to date with the instalment payments due under your credit agreement
- if you make a change to your policy which would mean that the insurer is no longer able to insure you
- if **you** fail to respond to reasonable requests for information by **your insurer** or **us** or an agent acting on behalf of the **insurer**;
- if you fail to comply with the policy terms, exceptions and conditions including these General Conditions
- if you do not tell us information as outlined in section 10.2, or
- if you use threatening or abusive language or behaviour, or intimidate or bully our employees or your insurer's staff or suppliers
- if you fail to pay the premium

**We** may also cancel the **policy** for fraud or misrepresentation as set out in paragraph 10.11 of these General Conditions.

## 10.8 Total loss

If your car is considered a total loss, it will become the insurer's property. Any unpaid premium owed may be taken from the settlement amount paid to you. If you are paying your policy by instalments under a credit agreement with us and your insurer settles a total loss claim, your credit agreement with us entitles us to take the outstanding amount due for your credit agreement out of the claims settlement.

The **insurer** may give **you** the option to insure another vehicle under **your** existing **policy**. Any change to **your** policy is subject to the **insurer**'s agreement and may not be acceptable. There may be an extra premium to pay and there will be an administration fee as shown in the important customer information section.

If your car is declared a total loss or stolen and not recovered, unless we agree with you otherwise, we will allow your policy to run for up to 30 days once settlement has been issued to you to give you time to replace your car. If you do not replace your car on your policy within this timeframe, we may cancel your policy. Where a claim has been made on your policy you may not receive a refund and the full premium may be due.

If **your car** is under a hire-purchase or leasing agreement, the **insurer** will pay the agreed settlement sum direct to the hire-purchase or leasing company to clear all or part of the amount owing. The remaining balance, if any, will be paid to **you**.







#### 10.9 If you do not pay the premium

If you have not paid your entire premium, the insurer may take off any unpaid premiums from any claim settlement they pay you. If you are paying by instalments under a credit agreement and do not keep up to date with your payments, they may not pay your claim and may cancel your policy.

If there is a change to the **policy**, **you** miss an instalment due under a **credit agreement**, owe anything after cancelling the **policy**, or **you** have to pay any fees or charges, **you** will allow for (or have the authority of the cardholder to give **us**) continuous authority to charge the card originally used, or the last card for which **is** held on record to process any related payments. If **you** are paying by instalments under a **credit agreement**, **you** grant **us** the right to change **your** remaining payment plan to reflect any changes. If **you** have no remaining premium, **you** grant the right to charge the card originally used, or the last card for which is held on record, to process any fees or charges applied.

You are responsible for keeping up the payments, and if you fail to do so, your policy may be at risk. If the insurer needs to appoint a debt-recovery agent to collect any outstanding premiums or amounts due under a credit agreement, or we need to appoint a debt-recovery agent to collect any fees or charges, you will be legally responsible for paying all collection fees and commission.

#### 10.10 Suspending your policy

You cannot suspend this insurance.

### 10.11 Fraud and misrepresentation

If you or anyone acting for you deliberately or recklessly misrepresents information or fails to reveal facts asked by or on behalf of the **insurer** when taking out the **policy**, making changes to it, or at renewal and this affects the **terms** and conditions or the decision to offer cover, **your policy** and any other policies **you** have will be cancelled or voided immediately without further notice. The **insurer** may recover any costs **they** have incurred including claims costs, and will not return any premium **you** have already paid.

If you or anyone acting for you carelessly misrepresents information or fails to reveal facts asked by or on behalf of the **insurer** at the time when taking out the **policy**, making changes to it, or at renewal and this affects the **terms** and conditions or the decision to offer cover this may result in an extra premium being charged or **your policy** being cancelled or voided immediately without further notice. The **insurer** may recover any costs **they** have incurred including claims costs.

If the **insurer**, acting reasonably and in accordance with standard industry practice, suspects that information or facts shared by **you** or anyone acting for **you** at the time when taking out the policy, making changes to it, or at renewal are inaccurate, false or misrepresented in any way and this affects the terms and conditions or the decision to offer cover, **your policy** and any other policies **you** have may be cancelled or voided immediately without any further notice. The **insurer** may recover costs **they** have incurred including claim costs, and may not return any premium **you** have already paid.

The **insurer** will not pay a claim which is in any way fraudulent, false or exaggerated or if **you** or anyone acting for **you** makes a claim which is false or fraudulent. In these circumstances the **insurer** may cancel or void **your policy** immediately without further notice, and any other policies that **you** may have with **us** will be treated in the same way. The **insurer** may recover any costs **they** have incurred including claims costs, and will not return any premium **you** have already paid.

If **you** or anyone acting for **you** buys a **policy** with the **insurer** using an unauthorised intermediary or insurance broker, **your policy** will be cancelled or voided immediately without further notice. We may recover any costs we have incurred including claims costs, and will not return any premium **you** have already paid.





#### 10.12 Insurers' right of recovery

If **they** need to pay a claim under the law of any country in which this **policy** operates (including settling a claim on a reasonable basis if the **insurer** believes **they** will have legal responsibility for it), which **they** would not otherwise be legally responsible to pay had the law not existed, the **insurer** can recover those payments (including the legal costs of reasonably defending the claim) from **you**. This will apply if **you** or any other insured person or any person using the vehicle with **your** permission:

- caused the loss directly or indirectly;
- caused, or allowed, the vehicle to be driven by an uninsured driver; or
- through an act or failure to act, caused this insurance to be invalid.

#### 10.13 Other insurance

The **insurer** will not pay any claim if the loss, damage or liability is covered wholly or in part by another insurance policy.

This condition does not apply to Section 7.1 – Personal Accident.

# 10.14 Residency

To qualify for cover under this **policy you** and any drivers named on the **Certificate of Motor Insurance** must have permanently lived in the UK for at least the last year before cover commencing.

# 10.15 Volunteering Use

Social domestic and pleasure use includes use of **your car** for voluntary purposes. No payment or income should be received other than reasonable expenses to cover running cost such as fuel.

# 10.16 Motor trade

This policy is not used to facilitate the purchase, sale, rental or recovery of any car:

- for profit or
- in connection with trade or business

Failure to comply with the above could result in any claim being refused and/or your policy being cancelled.



# Extra conditions - endorsements

### These will apply if they are shown on your Schedule

#### **Endorsement 1 - Vehicle**

You are responsible for the first amount of each claim under section 1 Accidental damage and section 2 Fire and theft in relation to loss of or damage to your car. This amount is increased from the standard excess listed on your Schedule by one of the amounts below. The additional excess is shown by having Endorsement 1 printed on the Schedule. This excess will apply as well as any standard excess (or excesses) which applies to the policy section under which the claim is being made.

- Α £50 additional accidental damage fire and theft excess
- С £100 additional accidental damage fire and theft excess
- Ε £150 additional accidental damage fire and theft excess
- G £200 additional accidental damage fire and theft excess
- 0 £400 additional accidental damage fire and theft excess

## Endorsement 2 - Keeping in a garage

If you do not keep your car in a locked private garage between 10pm and 6am when your car is parked at or near your home, you will be responsible for an extra £250 of each claim under Section 2 Fire and theft in relation to loss or damage to your car arising from theft or attempted theft. This amount applies as well as any other excess (or excesses) shown on the Schedule.

# **Endorsement 3 - Security**

The insurer will only be legally responsible for claims arising under section 2 Fire and theft when a Thatcham category 1 or 2 immobilising device or tracker device has been fitted to your car in line with the manufacturer's instructions and is operating at all times your car is left unattended.

The insurer will need proof the device is fitted to your car before your insurer will consider any claim under section 2 Fire and theft.



# **1st Central Intermediary Contract**

#### **Your Intermediary Contract**

This is your **Intermediary Contract** with **1st Central** which is the trading name of First Central Insurance Management Limited.

The Intermediary Contract is a legally binding contract. It contains the terms and conditions of the intermediary service, what 1st Central will do for you, and any fees which apply. This information is also set out in the About Our Insurance Services document.

**1st Central** acts as an intermediary for **you** when instructed by **you**, by arranging **your** motor insurance and any ancillary benefits on **your** behalf from its panel of insurers. When **you** purchase **your** insurance product through **1st Central you** enter into an intermediary contract with us as well as entering a separate contract with the insurer.

Under this contact, **1st Central** sets up **your Insurance** with the **insurer** and provides **you** administrative services relating to **your Insurance Contract**; such as making changes to **your** information at **your** request.

Any administrative fees payable under this contract, such as set up or cancellation fees, are payable to **1st Central.** 

This contract is based on the information you provided when you applied for this insurance. If you believe any of the information you supplied is incorrect, please call the Customer Services team immediately on 0333 043 2085.

#### The Intermediary Service

**You** will not receive advice or a recommendation from **1st Central** for car insurance and optional extras. Some questions may be asked to narrow down the selection of products. **You** will then need to make **your** own choice about whether to go ahead.

1st Central will provide intermediary services to you under this Intermediary Contract. The intermediary service includes arranging your insurance cover on your behalf. We will also help you with any changes you have to make to your information as required, or changes to the level of cover you wish to have with the insurers. With regards to the level of cover, we will arrange for optional additional cover. We may arrange for additional cover if you require an extension beyond the geographical limits of your policy. We will arrange for cancellation of your policy at your request or communicate to you when your insurer wishes to cancel your policy or has cancelled your policy.

We will arrange for renewal of your policy. We will contact you before your renewal date to give you information about it so that you can make an informed decision about your policy and let us know if you do not want to renew. We will communicate with you when your policy is due to be automatically renewed, or communicate with you should the insurer have decided not to renew your policy. Whether or not you receive a renewal reminder, it is still your responsibility to make sure your insurance is valid and in force. We may provide other intermediary services as requested by you or the insurers.

Only in limited circumstances will **you** be written to by post. Because of this, **you** must provide a valid email address.

### **Fees**

The table below is here to help you understand what fees 1st Central charge if you take out a product from 1st Central, and when they are charged them. These fees are payable to 1st Central and not to the insurer (although in certain limited circumstances the fees may be passed on to the insurer where the insurer is







First Central Underwriting Limited). **1st Central** may also receive commission from the insurer for selling their insurance to you. **1st Central** shall retain any such payment received.

Arrangement Fees	
For setting up your policy	£50
To renew your policy	£50
Refund of Arrangement Fees	
Cancelling your policy before it starts, or within 14 days of its start date	£25 refund
After 14 days of the policy start date	No refund
Cancellation Fees	
Cancelling your policy before it starts, or within 14 days of its start date	£0
After 14 days of the policy start date	£15
After 14 days of the policy start date, if we have to cancel your policy because you gave us incorrect information	£50
Fees for Making a Change	
If we have to make a change because you gave us incorrect information	£50
If you make a change on the phone or web chat	£25
If you make a change online through Your Account	£5
Payment Fees	
Missed instalment payments	£15

#### General

All the information that you provide must be true and complete.

The Intermediary Contract is a yearly contract, which will automatically renew at the end of each year.

Nothing in this contract will create any rights to anyone else under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 and no change to this contract, nor any extra agreement, will create these rights unless stated in this contract. This does not affect any right or remedy of someone else that they may have aside from this act.

# Cancellation

If you cancel the **Intermediary Contract**, **your Insurance Contract** and all other operative sections of the policy as detailed within **your schedule of insurance** will also be cancelled automatically at the same time. However, the **Intermediary Contract** may continue to run after the termination of **Insurance Contract** until it is expired or cancelled.

You have a 14-day period to change your mind which runs from the start of your policy. If you choose to cancel the policy within the 14 days, you will receive a £25 refund of the arrangement fee due under the Intermediary Contract, and no cancellation fee will be charged.

If you fail to keep any conditions or you fail to pay any instalments when due, this contract may be cancelled.

## **Complaints**

If you want to make a complaint, you can contact us:

by email <u>Customer.Relations@1stcentral.co.uk</u>







in writing First Central Insurance Management Limited, Capital House, 1-5

Perrymount Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3SY

by phone 0333 043 2077

If we cannot settle your complaint, you may be able to refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

This contract is signed and issued as evidence that 1st Central has entered into the 1st Central Intermediary Contract with you.



Ben Tomasetti, Managing Director

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The Intermediary Contract is governed by English Law unless you have agreed otherwise. The contract is written in English and any associated communications will be in English.



# **Complaints procedure**

**We** and the **insurer** are committed to providing **you** with the best possible service. However, there may be times when **your** expectations have not been met. Please let **us** or the **insurer** know immediately if **you** are unhappy with the service **you** have received and we will always do our best to sort out any complaint fairly.

If you have a complaint, please contact:

Head of Complaints Management
First Central Insurance Management Limited
Capital House
1-5 Perrymount Road
Haywards Heath
West Sussex
RH16 3SY



Phone: 0333 043 2077



Email: Customer.Relations@1stcentral.co.uk

# What if you are still not satisfied?

If **you** have been given a final response and **you** are still unhappy, or more than eight weeks have passed since **your** original complaint was received, **you** may refer **your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). Their details are as follows.

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



Phone: 0800 023 4567



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

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

**You** must contact the Financial Ombudsman Service within six months of the final response to **your** complaint. **You** will be reminded of this time limit in the final response.

**Your** rights as a customer to take legal action will not be affected if **you** use this complaints procedure. However, the Financial Ombudsman Service will not decide on any cases where legal action has begun.







# Looking after your personal information

When **you** take out a **policy** through **1st Central**, it is necessary to record and store personal information about **you** but this information will always be kept secure and it won't be shared without a good reason.

This statement, and the way **your** personal information is handled, may change from time to time. **You** will be written to if the change is something **you** might not expect. If **we** or the **insurer** don't hear back from **you** within 60 days, **you're** agreeing to the change.

If **you're** opted in to marketing and would like to opt out, **you** can manage **your** preferences <u>here</u>, by email at <u>marketing@1stcentral.co.uk</u>, or by calling **0333 043 2085**.

To request a copy of the information held about **you** or to find out more email the Data Protection Officer at <a href="mailto:DPO@1stcentral.co.uk">DPO@1stcentral.co.uk</a>. Please include **your** name, address, and policy number.

If you'd like to read the full privacy notice please visit this website.

# **Regulatory information**

#### Who are First Central Insurance Management (FCIM)?

**FCIM** is the intermediary offering products and services from various **insurers** to meet **your** needs. **FCIM** is registered in England and Wales, Company number 6489797, with registered office Capital House, 1-5 Perrymount Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3SY. FCIM is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (firm reference number: 483296). **You** can ask **us** about the extent of **our** regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority.

**You** can also ask for regulatory information relating to **your insurer**, by writing to the Head of Compliance at the above address.

Regulatory information is available on the relevant regulatory registers at:

Financial Conduct Authority <a href="http://www.fca.org.uk/register">http://www.fca.org.uk/register</a> or by contacting the FCA on 0800 111 6768

# Who we are owned by

First Central Insurance Management Limited and First Central Underwriting Limited are wholly owned subsidiaries of First Central Group Ltd which is registered in Guernsey, company number 48743.

## **The Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

While **we** are not covered by the FSCS, all the **insurers** whose products **we** offer are covered by the FSCS. **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if these **insurers** cannot pay what **they** owe. Insurance business is covered for 90% of the claim, without any upper limit. For compulsory classes of insurance for example, third party motor insurance, cover is for 100% of the claim without any upper limit. **You** can get more information about compensation scheme arrangements from the FSCS. Visit <a href="http://www.fscs.org.uk">http://www.fscs.org.uk</a>.





# **Important contacts**

Changes to your policy

You can make some changes on our website - https://www.1stcentralinsurance.com 0333 043 2085

Had an accident 0333 043 2011

Had an accident and calling from abroad +44 (0) 333 043 2011

Renewals 0333 043 2055

Windscreen helpline 0333 043 2012

**Key Assist** 0333 241 3390

Or, you can visit our website for more information at: www.1stcentralinsurance.com

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