

## Your Policy Wording for your Dog or Cat

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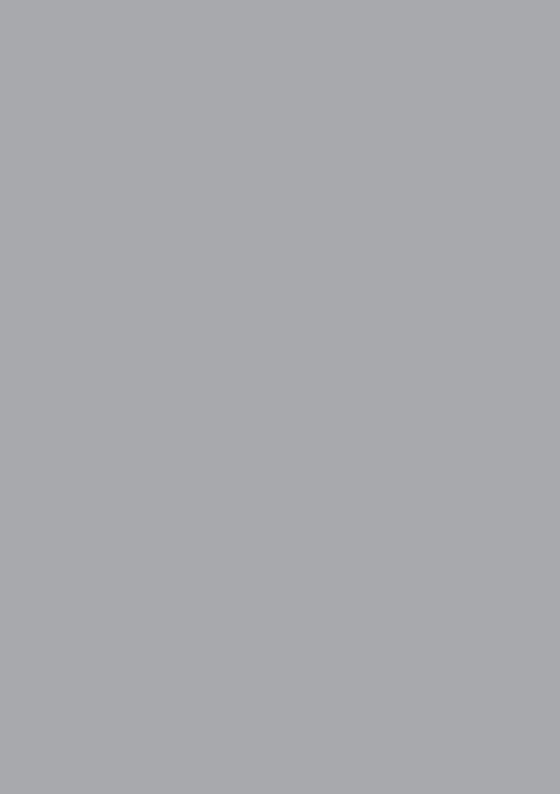
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This booklet contains your Policy Terms and Conditions.

Please read in conjunction with your Certificate of Insurance and Product Information Document (IPID) to understand the cover for your pet.

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# Hello and thank you for choosing British Pet Insurance Services for your pet

Pet-ID Microchips Ltd is an Appointed Representative of Petcover EU Limited. British Pet Insurance Services is a trading name of Petcover EU Limited. We specialise in pet insurance and offer cover for pets, to ensure we really understand and cater for your needs.

British Pet Insurance Services was formed by and has brought together people with many years' experience in pet insurance to offer you a great insurance cover and has a team of people who love pets offering you the customer service you deserve.

Having a pet is rewarding, from the love they provide when being there to greet you to the challenges of the sleepless nights when they are not 100%. We are here to support you and your pet throughout all of this, whether it be with your insurance cover, claiming or just a little advice along the way.

We understand how stressful it can be when you need to make a claim. We aim to make claiming a smooth, quick and easy process so you can concentrate on your pet, so if you need anything at all please let us know.

This booklet contains the cover your policy provides. If there is anything you don't understand please let us know, or if you have any questions, problems or any feedback please contact us.

This Insurance is underwritten by Alwyn Insurance Company Limited.

This Insurance is issued by Petcover EU Limited trading as British Pet Insurance in accordance with the authorisation granted to them under the Binding Authority Agreement with Alwyn Insurance Company Limited.

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## **Policy Terms and Conditions**

British Pet Insurance Services does not provide advice or any personal recommendation about the insurance products offered.

### Demands and Needs - who is this product suitable for?

This product meets the demands and needs of a pet owner who wants cover for the costs of veterinary treatment, for each illness and injury, over the life of their pet, with the option to add additional cover if required.

## Important information

This document, the Certificate of Insurance and any related exclusion form your insurance documentation.

This insurance documentation sets out the terms and conditions of the contract of insurance between you and us. Please read all documentation carefully and keep it in a safe place. It is important that you:

- Check that the information contained in the Certificate of Insurance is accurate (see 'Information you have given us'), and
- comply with all your duties and obligations under the insurance, including the important conditions below, and the action you must take in the event of a claim.

Failure to comply with the above could adversely affect your insurance and any claim you make.

### Information You have given Us

In deciding to accept this insurance and in setting the terms and premium, we have relied on the information you have given us. You must take care when answering any questions we ask by ensuring that all information provided is accurate and complete.

If we establish that you deliberately or recklessly provided us with false or misleading information we will treat this insurance as if it never existed and decline all claims.

If we establish that you carelessly provided us with incorrect or incomplete information that we have relied upon in accepting this insurance and setting its terms we may:

- Treat this insurance as if it had never existed and refuse to pay all claims. We will only do this if we
  provided you with insurance cover which we would not otherwise have offered, or
- amend the terms of your insurance. We may apply these amended terms as if they were already in place if a claim has been adversely impacted by your carelessness, or
- cancel your insurance in accordance with 'Cancelling' on page 8.

We will write to you if we:

- Intend to treat this insurance as if it never existed, or
- need to amend the terms of your insurance, or
- require you to pay more premium for your insurance.

#### Your Duty to Disclose to Us

It is an essential part of your Insurance that you disclose to us any changes to your pet's health or your personal circumstances. This applies at the commencement, during the period of insurance and at the renewal of your insurance. The information you need to tell us about is detailed below.

Your pet's health:

You must tell us:

- If your pet has shown any signs of illness or injury or been unwell.
- If your pet has been seen by a vet for any reason other than routine or preventative treatment and/ or neutering.
- If your pet has any issues that you have discussed with a vet regarding your pet's health, whether or not any treatment resulted from such discussion.
- If your vet / veterinary practice have advised that your pet's weight is over the normal limits.

#### Your circumstances:

You must tell us if:

- You become aware that any details shown on your Certificate of Insurance are incorrect.
- Your address or the address at which your pet is kept has changed.
- You no longer own any of the pets shown on your Certificate of Insurance.
- There have been any break-ins or attempted break-ins at the premises where your pet is kept in the last twelve (12) months.

This is not an exhaustive list, but here are some examples of the type of information you should tell us about.

#### Who does the Duty apply to?

The 'Your Duty to Disclose to Us' applies to you and everyone that is an insured under the Policy. If you provide information for another insured, it is as if they provided it to us.

#### What happens if the Duty of Disclosure is not complied with?

If the 'Your Duty to Disclose to Us' is not complied with we may cancel the Policy and/or reduce the amount we pay if you make a claim. If fraud is involved, we may treat the Policy as if it never existed, and pay nothing.

### Renewing this insurance

When this Policy is due for renewal, we will write to you at least twenty-one (21) days before the period of insurance ends with full details of your next year's premium and Policy terms and conditions. If you pay your premium by Direct Debit instalments your Policy will renew automatically with your next year's premium and policy terms and conditions; if you do not want to renew the Policy please contact Us. If you need to contact us to discuss your renewal before the expiry of your existing insurance, our contact details can be found on the back cover. Occasionally, we may not be able to offer to renew your Policy. If this happens, we will write to you at least twenty-one (21) days before the expiry of your Policy to allow enough time for you to make alternative insurance arrangements.

#### **Cancelling**

#### How you can cancel your Policy

You can cancel your Policy at any time by contacting us. Please telephone us on 01444 708844 between the hours of Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm or send written confirmation by email to *info@petcover.uk.com* or by post to British Pet Insurance Services, 4 Bridge Road Business Park, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1TX.

If you cancel your Policy in the first fourteen (14) days of your first period of insurance we will refund all of the premium you have paid, provided you have not made a claim. This refund will be a proportionate amount based on the number of days your policy was in force.

If you cancel your Policy in the first fourteen (14) days after your renewal date we will refund any premium you have paid for cover after that renewal date, provided you have not made a claim since that renewal date. This refund will be a proportionate amount based on the number of days your policy was in force.

If you cancel your Policy at any other time, we will refund any amount you have paid for cover after the cancellation date. No refund will be provided where a claim has been made or there are any circumstances which you are aware of that may give rise to a claim.

Once your Policy is cancelled all cover for your pet will stop on the date the Policy is cancelled and no further claims will be paid.

#### How we can cancel your Policy

We may cancel this insurance by giving you fourteen (14) days' notice in writing to the address last notified to us. We will only do this for a valid reason, examples of which are:

- Non-payment of premium; for details on this please read 'General Condition Paying Your Premium'.
- A change in risk occurring which means that we can no longer provide you with insurance cover.
- Failure to comply with a provision of the Policy.
- Non-cooperation or failure to supply any information or documentation we request.
- Misrepresentation to us during negotiations prior to the issue of the Policy.
- Making a fraudulent claim under the Policy or under some other contract of insurance that provides cover during the same period of time that the Policy covers you.
- Threatening or abusive behaviour or the use of threatening or abusive language.

If we cancel this insurance, provided you have not made a claim, you will be entitled to a refund of the premium paid. This refund will be a proportionate amount based on the number of days your policy was in force.

If we pay any claim, whether by settlement, compromise or otherwise, then no refund of premium will be allowed. Cancellation of the insurance by us does not affect the treatment of any claim arising under the insurance in the period before cancellation.

## **Definitions**

If **We** explain what a word means, that word has the same meaning wherever it appears in the **Policy**. For ease, **You** will see that these words appear in bold throughout.

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Accident	means a sudden, unexpected and specific event which occurs at an identifiable time and place. All <b>Accidents</b> arising from one event or one original cause will be treated by <b>Us</b> as one <b>Accident</b> . For the sake of clarity, an <b>Accident</b> does include physical damage or trauma of a gradual nature which happens over time. This includes, but is not limited to, conditions such as luxating patella; a rupture or strain of one or both cruciate ligaments; degenerative joint disease; hip dysplasia and hyperextending hocks; Juvenile Pubis Symphysiodesis (JPS).	
Acupuncture	means <b>Acupuncture</b> which is carried out by a <b>Vet</b> .	
Alternative or Complementary Treatment	<ul> <li>means the cost of any examination, consultation, advice, test and legally prescribed medication for the following procedures where they treat an Illness or Injury. This includes any Veterinary Treatment specifically needed to carry out the procedure:</li> <li>Acupuncture or Homeopathy carried out by or Herbal Medicine prescribed by a Member of a Veterinary Practice.</li> <li>Chiropractic Manipulation carried out by a Member of a Veterinary Practice, providing the member is a qualified animal chiropractor.</li> <li>Hydrotherapy carried out by a Member of a Veterinary Practice in a pool/water treadmill owned by the Veterinary Practice providing the member is a qualified animal hydrotherapist.</li> <li>Osteopathy carried out by a Member of a Veterinary Practice providing the member is a qualified animal osteopath.</li> </ul>	
<b>Agreed Countries</b>	means any country which is a member of the European Union.	
Behaviour Modification Programme	means a programme written by an animal behaviourist who is a <b>Member of a Veterinary Practice</b> detailing specific techniques to be used and action to be taken with the aim of permanently changing <b>Your Pet's</b> behaviour.	
Behavioural Illness	means any change to <b>Your Pet's</b> normal behaviour, resulting from a mental or emotional disorder diagnosed by a <b>Vet</b> .	
British Pet Insurance Services	is a trading name of Petcover EU Limited. Petcover EU Limited is registered in England and Wales under number 10001319, and is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority under reference number 747757.	
<b>Bilateral Condition</b>	means any <b>Condition</b> affecting body parts of which the pet has at least two, including, but not limited to eyes, ears, patella's (knees), cruciate ligaments. When applying an exclusion, <b>Bilateral Conditions</b> are considered the one <b>Condition</b> .	
Certificate of Insurance	means the relevant <b>Certificate of Insurance We</b> issue including on renewal or variation of the <b>Policy</b> containing details of the cover provided under the <b>Policy</b> , including any exclusions and other specific insurance details that <b>We</b> have applied to <b>Your</b> cover.	
Clinical Sign(s)	means a change(s) in <b>Your Pet's</b> normal healthy state, its bodily functions or behaviour.	

#### Injuries, disabilities, disorders, Clinical Sign(s), syndromes, infections, isolated Condition symptoms, deviant behaviour, and atypical variations of structure and function and/or death to the pet afflicted. Chiropractic means Chiropractic Manipulation which is carried out by a Member of a Manipulation Veterinary Practice who is a qualified animal chiropractor. means a **Treatment** that is, but not limited to, de-sexing, spaying or castration: micro-chipping; grooming and de-matting, cosmetic or aesthetic procedures or surgery, or elective surgery including but not limited to dew-claw removal, prescription diet foods, and any **Treatment** not related to an **Injury**, **Illness**, or **Elective Treatment** trauma. Elective surgery or Treatment that is beneficial to the pet but is not essential for Your Pet's survival or does not form part of a Treatment for an Injury or Illness, or any Treatment, diagnostic or procedure You request, which the **Vet** confirms is not necessary to treat an **Injury** or **Illness**. means the amount(s) shown on Your Certificate of Insurance that You must pay for each unrelated **Condition** claim made under **Your Policy** per **Period of** Insurance. Veterinary Fees and Alternative or Complementary Treatment Excesses may be either: • The fixed Excess only. The fixed Excess is the first amount You must pay for each unrelated Condition per Period of Insurance, or • the fixed Excess and an additional age Excess (which is a percentage of the amount You are claiming) may also apply and where applicable will be shown on Your Certificate of Insurance. An additional age Excess will apply in the following circumstances: Additional Type of Pet Age of Pet age Excess Over eight (8) years of age 20% Dogs (not including Select Breeds) Over ten (10) years of age 35% Over four (4) years of age 20% **Excess Select Breed Dogs** Over seven (7) years of age 35% Over eight (8) years of age 20% Cats Over ten (10) years of age 35% Please see below an example of how **Your Excess(es)** can be applied: Dog (which is not a Select Breed), aged nine (9) years old Claimable Veterinary Fees amount £4,000 Fixed Excess amount f90 Revised claimable amount £3,910 Additional age **Excess** percentage 20% Calculated additional age Excess amount £782

Revised claimable amount after Excesses deducted

£3,128

means any **Condition** that causes discomfort, dysfunction, distress, including

	Please see below an example of how Your Excess(es) of	can be applied:
	Cat, aged five (5) years old	
	Claimable Veterinary Fees amount	£4,000
	Fixed Excess amount	£90
	Revised claimable amount	£3,910
	Additional age Excess percentage	0% as under the age of 8.
	Calculated additional age Excess amount	£0
	Revised claimable amount after Excesses deducted	£3,910
Family	means <b>Your Immediate Family</b> and, grandparents, brothers, sisters, grandsons, and/or granddaughters including <b>Family</b> of step relationships.	
<b>Herbal Medicine</b>	means Herbal Medicine prescribed by a Member of a Veterinary Practice.	
Home	means the place in the <b>UK</b> and where <b>You</b> and <b>Your Pet</b> usually live.	
Homeopathy	means <b>Homeopathy</b> which is carried out by a <b>Vet</b> .	
Hydrotherapy	means the <b>Treatment</b> of <b>Injury</b> and <b>Illness</b> , with or in swimming in a pool and the use of a water treadmill w  • By a <b>Member of a Veterinary Practice</b> providing the carried out in a pool/water treadmill owned by the	which is carried out: • <b>Hydrotherapy</b> is
Illness(es)	means any change(s) to a normal healthy state, sickne abnormalities, including defects and abnormalities <b>Yo</b> were passed on by its parents.	
Illness which starts in the first fourteen (14) days of cover	<ul> <li>Showed Clinical Sign(s),</li> <li>is the same as, or has the same Clinical Sign(s) or dithat showed Clinical Sign(s),</li> <li>is caused by, relates to, or results from, a Clinical Sign or an Illness that, showed Clinical Sign(s).</li> <li>In the first fourteen (14) days of:</li> <li>Your Pet's first Period of Insurance, or</li> <li>the cover being added to Your insurance.</li> <li>No matter where the Illness or Clinical Sign(s) occur of Pet's body. The fourteen (14) day Waiting Period will fifteenth (15th) day of cover.</li> </ul>	gn(s) that first occurred, r happen in, or on, Your
Immediate Family	means spouse, civil partner, life partner, partner, pare including <b>Family</b> of step relationships.	nts, sons and daughters,
Injury / Injuries / Injured	means a physical <b>Injury</b> or trauma caused immediately from an <b>Accident</b> . This does not include any physical line happens over a period of time or is of a gradual nature.	njury or trauma that

about the extent of our regulation by the FCA are available from us on request. FCA Firm Reference Number is 571591. means travel from Your Home within the UK or any of the Agreed Countries undertaken during the **Period of Insurance** for a maximum of ninety (90) days for all **Journeys** in the **Period of Insurance**. This includes the duration of **Your** Journey holiday or business trip and any travel, in and between the UK and an Agreed Country and return Journeys to Your Home. means the cover You can continue to claim for, for the Treatment for on-going Lifetime Cover Illness or Injuries throughout Your Pet's lifetime, provided You renew the **Policy** annually without a break in cover. means the price generally paid for an animal of the same age, breed,

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Market Value pedigree, sex and breeding ability at the time You took ownership of Your Pet as determined by Us. means the most **We** will pay for the relevant level of cover **You** have chosen during the **Period of Insurance** as set out in the **Certificate of Insurance**, Maximum Benefit(s)

subject to exclusions of the **Policy** and subject to the **Policy Aggregate** less the applicable excess. Member of a means any person legally employed by a Veterinary Practice under a contract

**Veterinary Practice** of employment, other than a Vet who may be the insured.

means Osteopathy which is carried out by a Member of a Veterinary Practice Osteopathy who is a qualified animal osteopath. means any Vet appointed or engaged by Us to carry out Treatment to Your Pet or discuss Your Pet's Treatment with Your Vet.

**Our Vet** means an additional benefit that **You** can elect to include in addition to the basic insurance. There are three (3) Optional Extra Benefits in Entry and Mid

Point plans: · Theft or Straying **Optional Extra** · Death from Illness Benefit(s) · Death from Injury For **Optional Extra Benefits** to be included **You** must select the option and pay

an additional premium. If applicable the **Optional Extra Benefit** will be shown on Your Certificate of Insurance. means the time during which We give cover as shown on Your Certificate of **Insurance.** It does not refer to any prior **Period of Insurance** if the **Policy** is a renewal of a previous Policy or any future Period of Insurance for any Policy

Period of Insurance You may enter into with Us upon renewal. Each Period of Insurance is treated as separate. This is normally Twelve (12) months, but may be less if Your Pet has been added to Your Insurance or it has been cancelled.

means circumstances about You, Your Family or Your Pet which You have limited or no control over. Examples of Personal Circumstances are (but not Personal limited to) a lack of transport, Your Pet's size or behaviour, Your Home Circumstances

environment, You or Your Family's working hours, Your child-care arrangements, Your Family's other commitments etc. means a government system which allows people in the **UK** to take their pets **Pet Travel Scheme** 

guarantine.

to Agreed Countries and bring them back to the UK without the need for

(PETS)

Insurers

Pet Passport	means the <b>Pet Passport</b> issued for <b>Your Pet</b> under the terms of the <b>Pet Travel Scheme (PETS)</b> .
Physiotherapy	means <b>Physiotherapy</b> (not including <b>Hydrotherapy</b> ) carried out by a <b>Member of a Veterinary Practice</b> who is a qualified animal physiotherapist.
Policy Aggregate	means the total amount payable for all <b>Veterinary Fees</b> and <b>Alternative or Complementary Treatment</b> for <b>Injuries</b> and/or <b>Illnesses</b> occurring during any one (1) <b>Period of Insurance</b> as specified in the <b>Certificate of Insurance</b> .
Policy	means this document and the <b>Certificate of Insurance</b> and any other documents <b>We</b> issue to <b>You</b> which are expressed to form part of the <b>Policy</b> terms and conditions, which set out the cover <b>We</b> provide during the <b>Period of Insurance</b> . For the sake of clarity, it does not include any prior <b>Policy</b> that this is a renewal of or any future <b>Policy</b> that is a renewal of the <b>Policy</b> .
Pre-Existing Condition(s)	<ul> <li>means any Condition(s) or symptom(s), sign(s) or Clinical Sign(s) of that Condition, Injury or Illness occurring or existing in any form that:</li> <li>Has happened or first showed Clinical Sign(s), or</li> <li>has the same diagnosis or Clinical Sign(s) as an Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your Pet had, or</li> <li>is caused by, relates to, or results from, an Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your Pet had occurring or existing.</li> <li>Before Your Pet's cover started, or prior to the Policy commencement date, or</li> <li>during the fourteen (14) day Waiting Period, or</li> <li>before the cover was added to Your insurance.</li> <li>This applies no matter where the Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) occurred or happen in, or on, Your Pet's body. This is regardless of whether or not We place any exclusion(s) for the Injury/Illness.</li> <li>For the avoidance of doubt when referring to Pre-Existing Conditions, and Conditions affecting a part of Your Pet's body of which it has two, will be deemed to be a Bilateral Condition and both will be excluded from cover.</li> </ul>
Routine or Preventative Treatment	means care or <b>Treatment</b> such as check-ups and procedures that are designed to prevent future <b>Illnesses</b> from occurring rather than treating existing <b>Illnesses</b> . These include, but are not limited to annual physical examinations and check-ups, vaccinations, worm prevention medication, flea and other internal/external parasite prevention, nail/claw clipping, maintaining a healthy diet, removal of misaligned or retained deciduous teeth.
Select Breed(s)	Please refer to 'Select Breed' on Your Certificate of Insurance to find out if Your Pet is a Select Breed.
Therapist	means a certified clinical animal behaviourist who is a <b>Member of a Veterinary Practice</b> or when referred by <b>Your Vet</b> a member of the Register of Animal Musculoskeletal Practitioners (RAMP) Animal Musculoskeletal Practitioners Group (RAMP).
Treatment	means Veterinary Treatment or Alternative or Complementary Treatment.
Treatment of a Behavioural Illness	means the <b>Treatment</b> , by a <b>Therapist</b> who is a <b>Member of a Veterinary Practice</b> , of a change(s) to <b>Your Pet's</b> normal behaviour that is caused by a mental or emotional disorder which could not have been prevented by training and/or spaying/castration.

means a consecutive period of three hundred and sixty five (365) days.  means the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.  means a veterinarian, specialist veterinarian, Veterinary Practice, clinic, hospital, centre including referral hospitals:  Who/which in the UK is registered with the RCVS (Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons).  Who/which in the other Agreed Countries is registered in the country where he/she practices.  Weterinary Fees  Weterinary Practice  Weterinary Treatment  **New Examination, consultation, advice, tests, X-rays, diagnostic procedure, surgery and nursing carried out by a Vet, and  **Physiotherapy and Treatment of a Behavioural Illness.  means a period of time starting from the commencement date of the Policy, during which an Injury or Illness or Condition, which first occurs or shows Clinical Sign(s) will be excluded from cover unless otherwise stated on Your Certificate of Insurance.  The following Waiting Periods apply to Your Policy:  **Fourteen (14) day Waiting Period - a period of fourteen (14) days starting from the commencement date of the Policy (excluding renewals) as shown on Your Certificate of Insurance of the initial Period of Insurance, during which an Illness or Condition that first occurs or shows Clinical Sign(s) will be excluded from cover unless otherwise stated on Your Certificate of Insurance. The fourteen (14) day Waiting Period will cease at 00.01 on the fifteenth (15th) day of cover.  **Three hundred and sixty five (365) days Waiting Period - a period of Twelve (12) months or three hundred and sixty five (365) days Starting from the commencement date of the Policy (excluding renewals), as shown on Your Certificate of Insurance. The three hundred and sixty five (365) days Waiting Period will cease at 00.01 on the three hundred and sixty five (365) days Starting from the commenceme		
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### **General Conditions**

## 1. Conditions of the Policy

You must keep to the General Conditions and Conditions applying to each cover to have the full protection of the Policy. If You do not, and the Condition You have not kept to relates to a claim, We may refuse or reduce the amount We pay under the claim.

Throughout the **Period of Insurance You** must take all reasonable steps to maintain **Your Pet's** health and to prevent **Injury**, **Illness** and loss.

- You must provide Routine or Preventative Treatment normally recommended by a Vet to prevent Illness or Injury. If there is a disagreement between You and Us as to what reasonable steps are, the details will be referred to an independent national welfare body or an independent Vet mutually agreed upon.
- You must arrange and pay for Your Pet to have a yearly dental examination
  and to receive any oral Treatment normally recommended by a Vet to
  prevent Illness or Injury. Any Treatment recommended as a result of the
  dental examination must be carried out as soon as possible. If You do not
  comply with this obligation then any claims which relate to dental We may
  refuse or reduce the amount We pay under the claim.

## 2. Caring for Your Pet

You must keep Your Pet vaccinated against the following:

Dogs - Distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus, kennel cough and leptospirosis (in areas where it is prevalent and **Vets** recommend vaccination) and any other vaccination recommended to **You** by a **Vet**.

Cats - Feline infectious enteritis, feline leukaemia and cat flu and any other vaccination recommended to **You** by a **Vet**.

If **You** do not keep **Your Pet** vaccinated, **We** may refuse or reduce the amount **We** pay under the claim that result from any of the above **Illnesses**.

You must arrange for a Vet to examine and treat Your Pet as soon
as possible after it shows Clinical Sign(s) of an Injury or Illness. You must
follow the advice and recommendations of the treating Vet; so as
not to prolong or aggravate the Illness or Injury. If You do not follow the
Vet's advice We may refuse or reduce the amount We pay relating to that
Injury or Illness. And if We decide, You must also take Your Pet to
Our Vet.

Throughout the **Period of Insurance You** must take all reasonable steps to:

- Maintain Your Pet's health.
- 3. Precautions
- Supply a secure and safe environment for Your Pet to prevent Injury, Illness, theft or straying.
- Manage Your Pet to to prevent Injury to a person or another animal and damage or destruction to any property.

#### 4. Ownership

**You** must be the owner of **Your Pet**. **Your** cover will stop immediately if ownership is transferred to another person or organisation.

#### 5. Claims Pre-Authorisation

We will not guarantee on the phone if We will pay a claim. You must send Us a claim form that has been fully completed and We will then write to You with Our decision.

6.	Providing Claim Information	When <b>You</b> make a claim <b>You</b> agree to give <b>Us</b> any information <b>We</b> may reasonably ask for. If <b>You</b> incur any charge for this, <b>You</b> must pay the charge.
7.	Legal rights against others	If there is any other insurance under which <b>You</b> are entitled to make a claim <b>You</b> must report the incident to that insurance company and tell <b>Us</b> their name and address and <b>Your Policy</b> and claim number with them. To the extent permitted by law, <b>We</b> will only pay <b>Our</b> share of the claim.
		If You have any legal rights against another person in relation to Your claim, We may take legal action against them in Your name at Our expense. You must give Us all the help You can and provide any documents We ask for.
8.	Providing Your Vet information	If <b>We</b> agree for a claim payment to be paid directly to <b>Your Vet</b> and <b>You</b> allow this, then if the <b>Vet</b> , who has treated <b>Your Pet</b> or is about to treat <b>Your Pet</b> , asks for information about <b>Your</b> insurance that relates to a claim, <b>We</b> will tell the <b>Vet</b> what the <b>Policy</b> covers, what <b>We</b> will not pay for, how the amount <b>We</b> pay is calculated and if the premiums are paid to date.
9.	Second Opinion	If We consider the Veterinary Treatment or Alternative or Complementary Treatment Your Pet receives may not be required, may be excessive, or for an excessive cost, when compared with the Treatment normally recommended to treat the same Illness or Injury by general or referral practices, We reserve the right to request a second opinion from Our Vet. If Our Vet does not agree that the Veterinary Treatment or Alternative or Complementary Treatment provided is reasonably required, We may decide to pay only the cost of the Veterinary Treatment or Alternative or Complementary Treatment that was necessary to treat the Injury or Illness, as advised by Our Vet from whom We have requested the second opinion.
10.	Permission for Your Vet or Therapist to provide information	You agree that any Vet or Therapist has Your permission to release any information We ask for about Your Pet. If the Vet or Therapist makes a charge for this, You must pay the charge.
11.	Claims Settlement Deductions	When <b>We</b> settle <b>Your</b> claim, <b>We</b> reserve the right to deduct from the claim amount, any amount due to <b>Us</b> .
12.	Cancelling Your Policy	You can cancel Your Policy at any time by contacting Us. Please telephone Us on 01444 708844 between the hours of Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm or send written confirmation by email to info@petcover.uk.com or by post to British Pet Insurance Services, 4 Bridge Road Business Park, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1TX.  If You cancel Your Policy in the first fourteen (14) days of Your first Period of Insurance We will refund all of the premium You have paid, provided You have not made a claim. This refund will be a proportionate amount based on the number of days your policy was in force. If You cancel Your Policy in the first fourteen (14) days after Your renewal date We will refund any premium You have paid for cover after that renewal date, provided You have not made a claim since that renewal date. This refund will be a proportionate amount based on the number of days your policy was in force. If You cancel Your Policy at any other time, We will refund any amount You have paid for cover after the cancellation date. No refund will be provided where a claim has been made or there are any circumstances which You are aware of that may give rise to a claim.  Once Your Policy is cancelled all cover for Your Pet will stop on the date the Policy is cancelled and no further claims will be paid.
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12. Cancelling Your Policy (cont).	We may cancel this insurance by giving You fourteen (14) days' notice in writing to the address last notified to Us. We will only do this for a valid reason. If We cancel this insurance, provided You have not made a claim, You will be entitled to a refund of the premium paid. This refund will be a proportionate amount based on the number of days your policy was in force. If We pay any claim, whether by settlement, compromise or otherwise, then no refund of premium will be allowed. Cancellation of the insurance by Us does not affect the treatment of any claim arising under the insurance in the period before cancellation.
13. Paying Your premium	Your Pet is only covered under this Policy if You pay the premium. If You pay by Direct Debit instalments and You miss an instalment, You must pay the outstanding amount within fourteen (14) days. If You do not, We will cancel Your Policy back to the last day You have paid for cover. All cover for Your Pet will stop from that date and no further claims will be paid.  When We settle Your claim, if there are any premiums overdue, We will deduct the outstanding amount from the claim payment.  If You pay by Direct Debit instalments and You frequently miss an instalment or pay an instalment late, We may request You pay all Your remaining premium until the end of the Period of Insurance. If You do not pay the remaining premium We will cancel Your Policy back to the last day You have paid for cover. All cover for Your Pet will stop from that date and no further claims will be paid.
14. Renewing Your Policy	We will write to You at least twenty one (21) days before the Policy expires with full details of Your premium and terms upon which renewal will be offered for a further Period of Insurance.  If You do not want to renew the Policy just let Us know.  If You pay Your premium by Direct Debit instalment, when the Policy is due for renewal and We have agreed to renew the Policy, We will renew it for You automatically, to save You the worry of remembering to contact Us before the renewal date.  If You paid Your Policy by any other means, You need to contact Us before your renewal date to confirm You want to renew Your Policy and to pay Your premium.  It is important that You check the terms of any renewal offer to satisfy yourself that the details are correct. In particular, check the sum insured amounts and Excess(es) applicable and ensure that the levels of cover are appropriate for You.  At each renewal, We ask You to notify Us of certain information.  The information We require from You will be stated in Your renewal documentation. It is important that You provide Us with full and accurate information as this could affect a future claim. Please note that You need to comply with 'Your Duty to Disclose to Us' before each renewal.
	This document also applies for any offer of renewal <b>We</b> may make, unless <b>We</b> tell <b>You</b> otherwise.  When <b>We</b> offer renewal <b>We</b> may:

a) Change the premium, excesses and **Policy** Terms and Conditions.

b) Place exclusions because of Your Pet's claims and veterinary history.
 c) Limit or withdraw Third Party Liability cover based on a review of Your Pet's behaviour. For example, any aggressive tendencies shown or any incidents where Your Pet has caused Injury to a person or another animal.

15. Changes at renewal

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16. Changes during the Period of Insurance	Changes will only be made to the <b>Policy</b> at renewal, <b>We</b> will not change the cover <b>We</b> provide for <b>Your Pet</b> during the <b>Period of Insurance</b> , unless:  • <b>You</b> decide to change <b>Your Pet's</b> cover.  • <b>You</b> did not tell <b>Us</b> about something when <b>We</b> previously asked.  • <b>You</b> provided <b>Us</b> with inaccurate information when previously asked, regardless of whether or not <b>You</b> thought it was accurate at the time.  If <b>You</b> transfer <b>Your Pet</b> to a plan with additional or higher benefit limits, the additional or higher benefits will not apply if the <b>Condition</b> being claimed for, first occurred prior to the change in the level of cover.
17. Pre-existing conditions	Any <b>Injury</b> or <b>Illness</b> which occurred before <b>Your Pet's</b> cover started or before Death from <b>Illness</b> is added to the <b>Policy</b> is a <b>Pre-Existing Condition</b> and something which will never be covered by <b>Your</b> insurance. This is regardless of whether <b>We</b> place an exclusion for the <b>Injury/Illness</b> or not.
18. Illnesses in the Waiting Period	Any Illness which starts in the first fourteen (14) days of cover (Waiting Period) or after Death from Illness is added to the Policy. The fourteen (14) day Waiting Period will cease at 00.01 on the fifteenth (15th) day of cover starting or after Death from Illness is added to the Policy. Your Policy does not cover any claim relating to any of these Injuries or Illnesses which started or showed Clinical Sign(s) within the Waiting Period will never be covered by Your Policy. If, at a later time any of these Injuries or Illnesses which started or showed Clinical Sign(s) within the Waiting Period represents again with the same diagnosis, We will also not cover any costs to treat that Injury or Illness. This is regardless of whether Your Vet confirms the past and current Injuries or Illnesses are, or are not, linked.
19. Exclusions	In addition to the exclusions set out in these Terms and Conditions, the Policy does not cover any amount that results from an Injury, Illness or incident which is shown as excluded on Your Certificate of Insurance. Exclusions can be added on Your Policy at the start of Your first Period of Insurance based on Your answers to Our questions and any supplementary information provided. We can also place exclusions during the Period of Insurance but We can only do this if We find out, that when We asked during Your application, You did not tell Us about something or You provided Us with inaccurate information (regardless of whether or not You thought it was accurate at the time). In these cases the exclusion(s) will be placed back to the start of Your first Policy. Your Policy does not cover any claim that results from an Injury, Illness or incident which falls under any exclusion placed on Your Policy. An exclusion can be temporary or permanent. If the exclusion is temporary, upon request We will tell You under what circumstances We will reconsider the exclusion and what information You will need to provide. You must pay for the cost of this information. Please contact Us if You wish to discuss any exclusions on Your Policy.
20. Policy Limits	Limits do apply to some items covered by the <b>Policy</b> . <b>You</b> should read the <b>Policy</b> carefully so that <b>You</b> are aware of what limits may be applicable to <b>You</b> in the event of a loss.

21. Travel Cover	Some cover under Your Policy provides cover whilst Your Pet is on a Journey. This type of cover is limited to the Agreed Countries for a maximum of ninety (90) days in each Period of Insurance. While Your Pet is outside the UK You must follow the conditions of the Pet Travel Scheme (PETS). Full details of the Pet Travel Scheme (PETS) can be found on the Defra website: www.defra.gov.uk or You can call the Defra Pet Travel Scheme (PETS) Helpline on 0370 241 1710.  You must not take Your Pet outside of the UK if a Vet has advised against it. If You do, Your Pet will not be covered when outside of the UK.  You agree to pay translation costs for any claim documentation not written in English.
22. Provide and Update Information Previously Provided	Throughout <b>Your Policy You</b> need to tell <b>Us</b> about certain information. The things <b>You</b> need to tell <b>Us</b> about are detailed in <b>Your Certificate of Insurance</b> and in the ' <i>Your Duty to Disclose to Us</i> ' in the <b>Policy</b> Terms and Conditions. It's important <b>You</b> check any new documents <b>We</b> send to understand the information <b>We</b> need. If <b>You</b> do not provide <b>Us</b> with the full and accurate information it can result in a claim not being paid or affect the cover <b>We</b> provide.
23. Fraudulent Claims	If <b>You</b> submit a fraudulent claim, or solicit <b>Your Vet</b> to behave in a fraudulent manner or persuade them to falsify or change information regarding a claim, then the claim may be denied and <b>We</b> may cancel the <b>Policy</b> . <b>We</b> may also be entitled to reclaim any payments already made to <b>You</b> in respect to such claims.
24. Lost Pets	If <b>Your Pet</b> is lost or missing when <b>You</b> first take the <b>Policy</b> , the cover under the <b>Policy</b> will not start until <b>You</b> are reunited with <b>Your Pet</b> and any incident, <b>Injury</b> or <b>Illness</b> which occurs before <b>You</b> are reunited will not be covered by the <b>Policy</b> .
25. Your Rights	The <b>Policy</b> is subject to any rights and remedies.
26. Jurisdiction	This insurance contract is subject to the laws of England and Wales and the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales. Unless We agree otherwise, the language of the Policy and all communications relating to it will be in English.
27. Sanctions	No (re)insurer shall be deemed to provide cover and no (re)insurer shall be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit hereunder to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose that (re)insurer to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.
	• Your Pet must live in the UK.
28. Your Residence	• If <b>Your</b> address, or the address of <b>Your Pet</b> , changes <b>You</b> must advise <b>Us</b> as soon as possible as this may affect the insurance cover provided.

## **General Exclusions**

We will not pay any benefit under the **Policy** for any costs or expenses incurred by **You** that are caused by, arise out of, or are in any way related to or connected with:

1.	Your Certificate of Insurance	A Condition, Injury or Illness specifically excluded on Your Certificate of Insurance.
2.	Your Pet's age	Any pet that is less than eight (8) weeks old at the commencement of cover.
3.	Your Pet's Use	Dogs used for security, guarding, track racing or coursing.
4.	Your Pet's breed	Any breed of dog that is banned by any <b>UK</b> Government, Public or Local Authority or any dog that is, or is crossed with, a Pit Bull Terrier, Dogo Argentino, Perro De Presa Canario, Dogo Canario, Dingo, Japanese Tosa, Fila Brasileiro, Czechoslovakian Wolfdog, Saarloos Wolfhound / Wolfdog or any wolf hybrid. (This list may be modified from time to time).
		Any dog that must be registered under:
		<ul> <li>The relevant legislation dealing with dangerous dogs or any further amendments to such legislation, or</li> </ul>
		b) the Dangerous Dog Act 1991, the Dangerous Dog (Amendment) Act 1997, or any further amendments to this Act.
		Any dog declared as a dangerous dog by a Government authority.
5.	5. Laws and regulations	<ul> <li>You breaking the UK laws or regulations of England and Wales, including those relating to animal health or importation regulations.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Your Pet being confiscated or destroyed by any Government or Public or Local Authority or any person or body having the jurisdiction to do so, including because it was worrying livestock.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Any Government or Public or Local Authority or any person or body having the jurisdiction to do so, having put restrictions on Your Pet.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Legal expenses, fines and penalties connected with or resulting from a Criminal Court Case or an Act of Parliament.</li> </ul>
6.	Radiation	Radiation, nuclear explosion, nuclear fallout or contamination by radioactivity.
7.	Transmission of disease	A disease transmitted from animals to humans.
8.	War, acts of terrorism, riot, revolution or any similar event	An act of force or violence for political, religious or ideological reasons, war, acts of terrorism, riot, revolution or any similar event, including any chemical or biological terrorism.
		You not following the conditions of the Pet Travel Scheme (PETS).
		Any Journey You take Your Pet on against a Vet's advice.
9.	When Your Pet is on a Journey in an Agreed Country	Any animal less than twelve (12) weeks old.
		A foreign government or public authority putting restrictions on <b>Your Pet</b> .
		Your Pet living permanently outside of the UK.  An Ulassa that Your Pet system and while putside the UK on the Arread.
		An Illness that Your Pet contracted while outside the UK, or the Agreed Countries that it would not normally have contracted in the UK or the

**Agreed Countries.** 

10. Routine or Preventative Treatment	Cost of <b>Routine or Preventative Treatment</b> or care such as check-ups and procedures that are designed to prevent future <b>Illnesses</b> from occurring rather than treating existing <b>Illnesses</b> . These include, but are not limited to annual physical examinations and or check-ups, vaccinations, worm prevention medication, flea and other internal/external parasite prevention.
11. Elective Treatment	Cost of <b>Elective Treatment</b> , diagnostics or procedures including, but not limited to desexing, spaying or castration, micro-chipping, grooming and de-matting, cosmetic or aesthetic procedures or surgery, or elective surgery including but not limited to dew-claw removal, prescription diet foods, tail docking, debarking, declawing, ear cropping, and any <b>Treatment</b> not related to an <b>Injury</b> , <b>Illness</b> , or trauma. <b>Elective Treatment</b> that is beneficial to the pet, but is not essential for <b>Your Pet's</b> survival or does not form part of a <b>Treatment</b> for an <b>Injury</b> or <b>Illness</b> .
12. Care & Negligence	Cost of treating any Injury or Illness or other bodily Injury or Illness caused by, arising out of, or in any way connected with a malicious act, deliberate injury or bodily Injury or gross negligence caused by You or a member of Your Immediate Family or anyone living with You or acting with Your express or implied consent.
13. Pandemic Disease	Any pandemic disease that causes widespread <b>Illness</b> , death or destruction affecting dogs and cats.
14. Vaccinations	<ul> <li>Any cost or amount due to:</li> <li>Any dog not being vaccinated against distemper, hepatitis, kennel cough, leptospirosis (in areas where it is prevalent and Vets recommend vaccination) and parvovirus.</li> <li>Any cat not being vaccinated against feline infectious enteritis, feline leukaemia and cat flu, or other disease that there is a known vaccine and Vets recommend vaccination.</li> <li>A government or another official body orders that Your Pet must be vaccinated against an Illness as part of a compulsory mass vaccination programme. We will not pay any costs relating to the vaccination itself or any complications that happen due to the procedure taking place. For the purpose of this insurance, 'a mass vaccination programme' means a programme of the compulsory vaccination of a species, or a selected group within a species, with the aim of protecting that group, people or other animals from an Illness or another risk.</li> </ul>
15. Reasonable Precautions	<b>Your</b> failure to take all reasonable precautions to protect <b>Your Pet</b> from or by aggravating or prolonging an <b>Injury</b> or <b>Illness</b> .
16. Your legal liability	<ul> <li>Your legal liability for payment of compensation in respect of:</li> <li>Death, bodily Injury or illness, and/or</li> <li>physical loss or damage to property,</li> <li>except to the extent You have such cover for Third Party Liability for dogs under this Policy.</li> </ul>

# Veterinary Fees & Alternative or Complementary Treatment Cover

#### What We will pay for Veterinary Fees

Veterinary Fees cover whilst in the UK and Agreed Countries only.

The cost of **Veterinary Fees** incurred for the **Veterinary Treatment Your Pet** has received to treat an **Injury** and/or **Illness**, throughout **Your Pet's** lifetime.

When referred and endorsed by **Your Vet**, **We** also cover the **Treatment of a Behavioural Illness** and the cost of **Physiotherapy** to treat an **Injury** and/or **Illness** (**Physiotherapy** does not include any form of **Hydrotherapy**).

#### What You pay for Veterinary Fees

For each **Illness** or **Injury** that is treated during the **Period of Insurance** and is not related to any other **Illness** or **Injury** treated during the same **Period of Insurance**, **You** must pay the **Excess** shown on **Your Certificate of Insurance**.

#### What We will pay for Alternative or Complementary Treatment

Alternative or Complementary Treatment cover whilst in the UK only.

When referred and endorsed by **Your Vet**, the cost of any examination, consultation, advice, test and legally prescribed medication for the following when it is deemed necessary by **Your Vet** to treat an **Injury** and/or **Illness**:

- Acupuncture,
- · Homeopathy,
- · Herbal Medicine,
- . Chiropractic Manipulation,
- Osteopathy,
- · Hydrotherapy,

for up to ten (10) sessions in total per Period of Insurance.

Any amounts paid under Alternative or Complementary Treatment are part of Your Veterinary Fees Maximum Benefit and not in addition to Your Veterinary Fees Maximum Benefit (Policy Aggregate).

#### What You pay for Alternative or Complementary Treatment

For each **Illness** or **Injury** that is treated during the **Period of Insurance** and is not related to any other **Illness** or **Injury** treated during the same **Period of Insurance**, **You** must pay the **Excess** shown on **Your Certificate of Insurance**.

Separate Excesses apply for Veterinary Fees and Alternative or Complimentary Treatment which means if You claim under both benefits for the same Injury or Illness, You will pay an Excess for each benefit.

#### What We will not pay for Veterinary Fees and Alternative or Complementary Treatment

- More than the Maximum Benefit for the relevant cover or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded, subject to the Policy Aggregate (any amounts paid under Alternative or Complementary Treatment are part of Your Veterinary Fees Maximum Benefit and not in addition to) subject to exclusions of the Policy, less the applicable Excess.
- The cost of any Treatment for a Pre-Existing Condition.
- 3) To the extent permitted by law, costs of any **Treatment** for:
  - An Injury that happened or an Illness that first showed Clinical Sign(s) before Your Pet's cover started, or
  - an Injury or Illness that is the same as, or has the same diagnosis or Clinical Sign(s) as an Injury,
     Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your Pet had before its cover started, or
  - an Injury or Illness that is caused by, relates to or results from an Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your Pet had before its cover started, no matter where the Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) occurred or happened in, or on Your Pet's body.
- 4) To the extent permitted by law, for the costs of any **Treatment** of:
  - An Illness that first showed Clinical Sign(s) within fourteen (14) days of Your Pet's cover starting, or
  - an Illness which is the same as, or has the same diagnosis or Clinical Sign(s) as an Illness that
    first showed Clinical Sign(s) within fourteen (14) days of Your Pet's cover starting, or
  - an Injury or Illness that is caused by, relates to or results from a Clinical Sign(s) that first
    occurred, or an Illness that first showed Clinical Sign(s) within fourteen (14) days of Your Pet's
    cover starting, no matter where the Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) occurred or happened in,
    or on Your Pet's body.
- 5) For the cost of any **Treatment** to prevent an **Injury** or **Illness**.
- 6) The cost of any Elective Treatment, Routine or Preventative Treatment, diagnostics or procedure or any Treatment that You choose to have carried out that is not directly related to an Injury or Illness, including any complications that arise.
- 7) The cost of any **Treatment**, or complications arising from **Treatment**, that **You** choose to have carried out that is not directly related to an **Injury** or **Illness**, including cosmetic dentistry.
- 8) For the cost of killing and controlling fleas, general health improvers and any **Treatment** in connection with breeding, pregnancy, giving birth or false pregnancy.
- 9) For the cost of any vaccinations, spaying and castration other than the cost of treating any complications arising from these procedures.
- 10) For the costs of having Your Pet:
  - Put to sleep, including any veterinary consultation/visit or prescribed medication specifically needed to carry out this procedure, or
  - cremated, buried or otherwise disposed of.
- 11) For the cost of a post mortem examination or voluntary euthanasia.
- 12) The cost of a house call unless the Vet or Therapist confirms that Your Pet is suffering from a serious Injury or Illness and that moving Your Pet would either endanger its life or significantly worsen the serious Injury/Illness, regardless of Your Personal Circumstances.
- 13) For the extra costs for treating **Your Pet** outside usual surgery hours, unless the **Vet** or **Therapist** confirms an emergency consultation is essential, regardless of **Your Personal Circumstances**.
- 14) The cost of periodontics, dental check-ups, Comprehensive Oral Health Assessment and Treatment (COHAT), dental x-rays, dental prophylaxis, dental scale and polish or teeth cleaning, gingival curettes, gingival hyperplasia, removal of plaque or calculus or periodontal surgery.
- 15) The cost of prosthodontics, the removal or repair of misaligned or retained deciduous teeth,

- orthodontic appliances, crowns, caps or splints, luxation, horizontal bone loss, impacted teeth or embedded teeth.
- 16) Any cost relating to orthodontics, malocclusion, wry bite, supernumerary teeth, reverse scissor bite, posterior cross bite, anterior crossbite, overbite, brachygnathia, open bite or level bite.
- 17) Any cost of **Treatment** for dental and/or dental disease if an annual dental examination has not been undertaken within the **Twelve (12) months** preceding the problem requiring **Treatment** a **Vet** recommended resulting from the examination that had not been carried out. Evidence will need to be provided to **Us** if **Your Vet** has carried out an annual dental examination.
- 18) The cost of nasal fold surgery, skin fold surgery, stenotic nares and soft palate resections, enlarged tongue (macroglossia), everted laryngeal saccules, Brachycephalic Gastrointestinal Syndrome (BGS) and Brachycephalic Airway Obstruction (BOAS), that occurs in the first Twelve (12) months of cover including a free introductory cover Policy, regardless of Your Pet showing Clinical Sign(s) of the Condition or not, prior to commencement of cover or within the fourteen (14) day Waiting Period.
- 19) The cost of the following procedures; experimental Treatments, or therapies; prosthetics or orthopaedic supports or braces, open heart surgeries, cancer vaccinations, therapeutic antibody for dog and cat cancers, stem cell therapy, organ transplants, gene therapies, probiotics, dental vaccines, cold laser Treatments, 3D printing, Juvenile Pubic Symphysiodesis (JPS), any drugs not used in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.
- 20) Any costs for Alternative or Complementary Treatment or Veterinary Treatment that does not improve the health or wellbeing of Your Pet.
- 21) Any prolonged course of veterinary medicines, Alternative or Complementary Treatments for more than three (3) months if there is a veterinary operation that would have improved or cured the Condition unless agreed by Us. The maximum payment will be limited to the equivalent cost of the operation.
- 22) The cost for **Your Vet to** write a prescription or charge a dispensing fee.
- 23) Any medicines that have not been approved by The Veterinary Medicines Regulations (VMR) or where there is no evidence to support the usage of this medicine for this **Condition**.
- 24) The cost of any medication or drug course to treat a Condition that is for more than four (4) weeks at a time. We may consider a longer period of time providing Your Vet has submitted a full Treatment plan to Us for review prior to the Treatment being carried out.
- 25) The cost of any ongoing Treatment that will require more than six (6) visits, without the letter from Your Vet setting out a Treatment plan for permanent cure of the Condition. Any further consultations and Treatments will require pre authorisation by Us.
- 26) For life long Conditions You are required to obtain an annual Treatment report from Your Vet. Pre authorisation for one (1) years further Treatment will be given upon receipt of this report or until the end of Your Policy period.
- 27) Any bulk purchase of medicines that can't be used in full by the end of the current Period of Insurance.
- 28) Any claim where the full medical history is not provided when requested.
- 29) For the cost of any additional veterinary attention required because You are unable to administer medication or Treatment due to Your Pet's behaviour or Your Personal Circumstances.
- 30) For the cost of hospitalisation and any associated Treatment, unless the Vet or Therapist confirms Your Pet must be hospitalised for essential Treatment, regardless of Your Personal Circumstances.
- 31) The cost of, bathing, grooming, clipping or de-matting Your Pet, other than bathing when a substance is being used which, according to manufacturer's guidelines, can only be administered by a Member of a Veterinary Practice, regardless of Your Personal Circumstances.
- 32) For any costs for treating an Illness or Injury after the last day of the Period of Insurance, unless a further Period of Insurance has been entered into by You and Us in which case the costs may be paid under the new Policy entered into with You.
- 33) For the cost of treating any Injury or Illness deliberately caused by You or anyone living with You

- or, while on a Journey, anyone travelling with You.
- 34) For the cost of Treatment for dental and/or dental disease unless Your Pet had a dental examination carried out by a Vet in the Twelve (12) months before the Clinical Sign(s) of the Injury or Illness giving rise to the claim were first noted. If any Treatment was recommended as a result of the check, this must have been carried out.
- 35) For the cost of any transplant surgery, or stem cell transplants, including any pre and postoperative care.
- 36) For the cost of any Treatment while on a Journey if a Vet believes it can be delayed until Your Pet returns Home.
- 37) For the cost of any Treatment if the Journey was made to get Treatment outside of the UK.
- **38)** For the cost of hiring a swimming pool, **Hydrotherapy** pool or any other pool or **Hydrotherapy** equipment.
- 39) For the cost of buying or hiring equipment or machinery or any form of housing, including cages.
- 40) For the cost of any surgical items that can be used more than once.
- 41) For the cost of any **Treatment** if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of **Your Pet** receiving **Treatment**, **We** may refuse or reduce the amount **We** pay to the extent that **We** are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.
- 42) For the cost of **Treatment** for a **Behavioural Illness** if **Your Pet's** behaviour is caused by **You** failing to provide training.
- 43) The cost of any charges made for the submission of claim(s) or the cost of any supporting documentation needed as part of **Your** claim.
- 44) The cost of transporting **Your Pet**, including any costs to get **Your Pet** to, or from, any **Veterinary Practice**.
- 45) The cost for a **Condition** where the diagnosis is inconclusive, but where the **Treatment** protocol is consistent with a **Treatment** protocol typically applied to a **Condition** which is not covered.

#### What We will not pay under Veterinary Fees only

- More than the Maximum Benefit for the relevant cover or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded, subject to the Policy Aggregate (any amounts paid under Alternative or Complementary Treatment are part of Your Veterinary Fees Maximum Benefit and not in addition to), subject to exclusions of the Policy and less the applicable Excess.
- 2) For the cost of any food, including food prescribed by a **Vet**, unless it is:
  - Used to dissolve existing bladder stones and crystals in urine, which is limited to a maximum
    of 40% of the cost of food for up to six (6) months. A diagnostic test must be carried out to
    confirm the presence of the stones/crystals.
  - Liquid food, used for up to five (5) days while Your Pet is hospitalised at a Veterinary Practice, providing the Vet confirms the use of the liquid food is essential to keep Your Pet alive.
- 3) For the cost of pheromone products, including DAP diffusers and Feliway, unless used as part of a structured Behaviour Modification Programme, and then limited to a maximum period of six (6) months. If the Behavioural Illness recurs after these six (6) months, We will not cover the cost of any further pheromone products for that Behavioural Illness.
- 4) The cost of **Treatment** for a **Behavioural Illness** if **Your Pet's** behaviour is caused by **You** failing to provide training.
- The cost of spaying and castration for the Treatment of a Behavioural Illness.
- 6) For the cost of spaying or castration, unless:
  - The procedure is carried out when Your Pet is suffering from an Injury or Illness for which cover is provided under Veterinary Fees and it is essential to treat the Injury or Illness, or
  - the costs claimed are for the **Treatment** of complications arising from this procedure.

- 7) For the cost of any Treatment in connection with a retained testicle(s) if Your Pet was over the age of twelve (12) weeks when cover started.
- 8) The cost of surgical items that can be used more than once.
- 9) For the cost of Hydrotherapy, Acupuncture, Homeopathy, Chiropractic Manipulation, Osteopathy or any other Alternative or Complementary Treatment. This includes any Veterinary Treatment specifically needed to carry out the particular Alternative or Complementary Treatment.
- 10) For the cost of a post-mortem examination.
- 11) The cost of any transplant surgery, or stem cell transplants, including any pre and post-operative care.
- 12) For the cost of any prosthesis, including any **Veterinary Treatment** needed to fit the prosthesis, other than hip, knee and/or elbow replacement(s).
- 13) The cost of any Treatment while on a Journey if:
  - A Vet believes the Treatment can be delayed until Your Pet returns Home, or
  - the Journey was made to get **Treatment** overseas.
- 14) The cost for superlorin implants.

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#### What We will not pay under Alternative or Complementary Treatment only

- More than the Maximum Benefit for Alternative or Complementary Treatment Maximum Benefit for Injury and Illness or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded, subject to the Policy Aggregate (any amounts paid under Alternative or Complementary Treatment are part of Your Veterinary Fees Maximum Benefit and not in addition to), subject to exclusions of the Policy and less the applicable Excess.
- 2) The cost of any food, including food prescribed by a **Vet**.
- 3) The cost of more than ten (10) sessions in total for the Treatment of an Injury, Illness or Behavioural Illness of Acupuncture, Chiropractic Manipulation, Osteopathy, Hydrotherapy.
- 4) The cost of Treatment for a Behavioural Illness if Your Pet's behaviour is caused by You failing to provide training.

#### Conditions applying to Veterinary Fees and Alternative or Complementary Treatment

- 1) The maximum amount We will pay for the cost of Treatment for an Injury and or Illness is the Maximum Benefit which applies on the date the Injury happened or the date the Clinical Sign(s) of the Illness first occurred, provided the relevant date falls within the Period of Insurance, subject to exclusions of the Policy and subject to the Policy Aggregate less the applicable Excess.
- If the claim includes medication, these costs will be subject to the Maximum Benefit that applies on the date the medication will be used.
- 3) If We agree for a claim settlement to be paid direct to Your Vet and You allow this, then if the Vet, who has treated Your Pet or is about to treat Your Pet, asks for information about Your insurance that relates to a claim, We will tell the Vet what the insurance covers, what We will not pay for, how the amount We pay is calculated and if the premium is paid to date.
- 4) If We receive a request to pay the claim settlement direct to a Veterinary Practice, We reserve the right to decline this request.
- 5) We may refer Your Pet's case history to Our Vet and if We request, You must arrange for Your Pet to be examined by Our Vet.
- As **Your Pet** is insured on a **Lifetime Cover**, **We** fully appreciate that the amount **You** claim for **Your Pet's Treatment** can add up over the years, **You** can continue to claim for the life of **Your Pet** (providing **You** continue to renew the **Policy** without a break in cover).
- 7) If over the lifetime of Your Pet You have claimed over £36,000, to make sure Your Pet is receiving the best Treatment available, We may require one of the following. If this is necessary We will contact You.

- Before any further Veterinary Fees or Alternative or Complementary Treatment claims can be
  considered We may require Your Pet to be examined by a specialist/consultant Vet. We will pay
  any costs for this.
- All future Veterinary Treatment and Alternative or Complementary Treatment (other than
  emergency life-saving Treatment) may need to be authorised by Us before Treatment is carried
  out. A pre-authorisation claim form may need to be submitted and We will then let You know if
  Treatment can go ahead.
- All future Veterinary Treatment and Alternative or Complementary Treatment may need to be carried out in conjunction with Our Vet or a Therapist We choose, who is a specialist/ consultant.
- 8) If **You** decide to take **Your Pet** to a different **Vet** or **Therapist** for a second opinion because **You** are unhappy with the diagnosis or **Treatment** provided, **You** must tell **Us** before **You** arrange an appointment with the new **Vet** or **Therapist**.
  - If **You** do not, **We** will not pay any costs relating to the second opinion. If **We** request, **You** must use **Our Vet** or a **Therapist We** choose. If **We** decide the diagnosis or **Treatment** currently being provided is correct, **We** will not cover any costs relating to the second opinion.
- 9) It is **Your** responsibility to ensure the **Veterinary Practice** or **Therapist** is paid within the required time frame:
  - If an additional charge is added to the cost of Treatment due to the late payment of fees, We
    will deduct this charge from the claim settlement.
  - If the Veterinary Practice or Therapist provides a discount for paying the cost of Treatment
    within a certain time frame, You must provide payment within this time frame. If You do not,
    We will deduct the discount, which would have been provided, from the claim settlement.
- 10) We will require fully itemised invoices.

## Death from Injury & Death from Illness Cover

#### What We will pay for Death from Injury

This cover is an **Optional Extra Benefit** under Entry and Mid Point plans and this cover only applies if it is shown as covered on **Your Certificate of Insurance**.

Death from Injury cover whilst in the UK only.

The price **You** paid for **Your Pet**, up to the **Maximum Benefit**, if it either dies or has to be put to sleep by a **Vet** during the **Period of Insurance** as a result of an **Injury** caused by an **Accident**.

If You have no formal proof of how much You paid for Your Pet, We will pay the Market Value or purchase price, whichever is less. If You did not pay for Your Pet We will pay the Market Value.

#### What You pay for Death from Injury

The Excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will pay for Death from Illness

This cover is an **Optional Extra Benefit** under Entry and Mid Point plans and this cover only applies if it is shown as covered on **Your Certificate of Insurance**.

Death from **Illness** cover whilst in the **UK** only.

The price **You** paid for **Your Pet**, up to the **Maximum Benefit**, if it either dies or has to be put to sleep by a **Vet** during the **Period of Insurance** as a result of an **Illness**.

If You have no formal proof of how much You paid for Your Pet, We will pay the Market Value or purchase price, whichever is less. If You did not pay for Your Pet We will pay the Market Value.

#### What You pay for Death from Illness

The Excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will not pay under Death from Injury or Death from Illness

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for the relevant cover or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded, subject to exclusions of the Policy and less the applicable Excess.
- To the extent permitted by law, if the death results from an Injury or Illness that happened prior to the Period of Insurance.
- 3) To the extent permitted by law, if Your Pet's death results from a Pre-Existing Condition.
- 4) To the extent permitted by law, if Your Pet's death results from an Illness which starts in the first fourteen (14) days of cover.
- 5) Any amount unless **Your Vet** confirms it was not humane to keep **Your Pet** alive because it was suffering from an **Injury** that could not be treated or an incurable **Illness**.
- 6) Any amount if the death results from obesity, breeding, pregnancy or giving birth.
- 7) Any amount if the death results from an Illness or disease in any Select Breed aged five (5) years or over or any other Pet aged eight (8) years or over.
- 8) Any amount if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of **Your Pet's** death, to the extent that **We** are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.

 Any amount if the death results from an Injury or Illness specified as excluded on Your Certificate of Insurance or generally not covered within these terms and conditions

#### **Conditions applying to Death from Injury or Death from Illness**

- 1) When lodging a claim for Death for **Injury** or Death from **Illness**, please send **Us**:
  - A letter or death certificate from Your Vet, noting Your Pet's microchip number, breed, colour and how Your Pet died, and
  - the pet's original Pedigree Certificate and purchase receipt from when You bought Your Pet, where applicable, and
  - · Your claim form.

We will not pay for this information.

2) If You make a claim for Death from Injury or Death from Illness, We will automatically cancel Your Pet from the Policy from the day after his/her death.

## Theft or Straying & Advertising and Reward Cover

#### What We will pay for Theft or Straying

This cover is an **Optional Extra Benefit** under Entry and Mid Point plans and this cover only applies if it is shown as covered on **Your Certificate of Insurance**.

Theft or Straving cover whilst in the **UK** only.

The price You paid for Your Pet, up to the Maximum Benefit, if it is stolen or goes missing during the Period of Insurance and is not recovered or does not return, within thirty (30) days. If You have no formal proof of how much You paid for Your Pet, We will pay the Market Value or purchase price, whichever is less. If You did not pay for Your Pet We will pay the Market Value.

#### What You pay for Theft or Straying

The Excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will not pay under Theft or Straying

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for the relevant cover or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded.
- 2) Any amount if You or the person looking after Your Pet has freely parted with it, even if tricked into doing so, unless anyone was looking after or transporting Your Pet in return for money, goods or services.
- 3) Any amount if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of Your Pet being stolen or going missing, to the extent that We are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.

#### What We will pay for Advertising & Reward

Advertising & Reward cover whilst in the **UK** and the **Agreed Countries** only.

If Your Pet is stolen or goes missing during the Period of Insurance, We will pay:

- · The cost of advertising, and
- the reward **You** have offered and paid to get **Your Pet** back.
- If Your Pet is stolen or goes missing during Your Journey, We will also pay the cost of Your
  accommodation to stay and look for Your Pet if it has not been found or returned by the scheduled
  last date of Your Journey.

#### What We will not pay under Advertising and Reward

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for all incidents covered under the relevant cover or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded or all incidents during the Period of Insurance.
- 2) More than £50 towards sundries to make **Your** own posters and advertising material.
- 3) Any costs for another party (for example a company, organisation or pet detective) to:
  - Search for Your Pet (either on foot, with search dogs or equipment).
  - To produce anything other than posters and leaflets.
  - To communicate with people about the loss or to report Your Pet missing to other people or
    organisations (other than to advertise on the internet and social media).
  - To distribute/display advertising materials.

- 4) For any reward that **We** have not agreed to before **You** advertised it.
- 5) For any reward not supported by a signed receipt giving the full name, address and telephone number of the person who found **Your Pet**.
- 6) For any reward paid to:
  - A member of Your Family or any person living with You or employed by You, including any
    person travelling with You during Your Journey.
  - The person who was caring for **Your Pet** when it was lost or stolen.
  - The person who stole Your Pet or any person who is in collusion with the person who stole Your Pet.
- 7) Any amount if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of Your Pet going missing, to the extent that We are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.
- 8) If Your Pet is stolen or goes missing during Your Journey:
  - More than seven (7) days' accommodation costs and more than £50 for each day's
    accommodation.
  - Any amount if the cost of accommodation is at a property owned by You or Your Family.
- 9) Any amount unless You have provided Us with some official documentation to certify the theft or loss was reported to the police or the shipping, or aircraft operator if the loss or theft happened while You were travelling with them.

#### Conditions applying to Theft or Straying and Advertising and Reward

- 1) You must as soon as possible take all reasonable steps to find or recover Your Pet.
- 2) You must take the following steps:
  - Within twenty-four (24) hours of **You** discovering **Your** dog or cat is stolen, **You** must tell the appropriate authority and obtain written confirmation of **Your** report. Depending on where **You** live the appropriate authority may be **Your** local Council or the police.
  - Tell all the Vets and local rescue centres within a reasonable distance of the area where Your dog
    or cat was last seen, within five (5) days of Your Pet going missing.
  - If Your Pet is microchipped, You must notify Your microchip provider within five (5) days of finding out Your Pet missing.
  - If Your dog or cat has not been found within thirty (30) days, fill in a claim form and return it to Us as soon as possible.
- 3) If Your Pet was lost or stolen while being transported by a shipping agent or aircraft, You must as soon as possible report the loss to the operator and obtain written confirmation of Your report.
- 4) For Advertising and Reward only:
  - The Maximum Benefit covers the cost of both advertising and the reward. The full Maximum Benefit is available for You to use for advertising but the amount You can use for a reward is limited to 50% of the Maximum Benefit.
  - You must obtain Our approval before advertising a reward; if not, the cost of the reward will not be covered by the Policy.
  - You must provide Us with a receipt(s) for any amount which You are claiming for. Any costs not supported by a receipt will not be covered by the Policy.
- 5) For Theft or Straying only:
  - To submit a claim for Theft or Straying You must have advertised the loss of Your Pet for at least
    thirty (30) days and when You claim You must provide Us with evidence showing the advertising
    took place, the pet's original pedigree certificate and purchase receipt from where You bought
    Your Pet, where applicable; We will not pay for this information.
  - If Your Pet has not been found within thirty (30) days, please fill in a claim form and return it to Us as soon as possible.

- If the claim is paid the original pedigree certificate and purchase receipt will not be returned to You.
- If Your Pet is found or returns, You must repay the full amount We have paid You.
- If the loss or theft happened during Your Journey please also send Us the booking invoice for Your Journey or any other official documentation to show the dates of Your Journey.

There are other actions **You** can take, which although are not requirements of this insurance, may help to improve the chances of **Your Pet** returning **Home**. This includes notifying all **Vets**, local rescue centres, distributing flyers, do a letterbox drop in the area **Your Pet** went missing and searching the local area. **We** are happy to share useful tips with **You** if **You** contact **Us**.

## **Third Party Liability Cover**

In this Third Party Liability Cover 'You' and 'Your' mean You or any person looking after or handling Your Pet with Your permission.

#### What We will pay for Third Party Liability

Third Party Liability cover for **Your** dog named on the **Certificate of Insurance** whilst in the **UK** only. For

- Your legal liability for payment of compensation in respect of:
  - a) Death, bodily **Injury** or illness of another person, and/or
  - b) physical loss of or damage to property,
  - occurring during the Period of Insurance and which is caused by an Accident caused by Your Pet.
- Legal costs and expenses You incur for a Third Party Liability claim covered under this Third Party
  Liability cover with Our consent for which You are legally liable, plus the cost of any lawyers (or a
  solicitor or a barrister) We appoint.

All **Accidents** of a series consequent upon or attributable to one source or original cause are treated by **Us** as one **Accident**. This cover applies in respect of an **Accident** occurring anywhere in the **UK**. The maximum amount **We** will pay for each claim under this Third Party Liability cover for dogs covered is £1,000,000. Where permitted by law, this limit will be reduced by any amount paid under any other insurance **You** have with **Us**, that provides cover for the same liability, loss, **Accident**, occurrence or incident.

#### What You pay for Third Party Liability

The excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will not pay under Third Party Liability

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for the relevant cover or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded.
- 2) Any amount for:
  - If You are the person who is killed, Injured or falls ill,
  - · damage to Your property,
  - bodily Injury to or death of any person who normally lives with You or is part of Your Immediate
     Family, or for damage to their property,
  - bodily Injury to Your employees or anyone who works for You, or for damage to their property,
  - loss of or damage to property in Your, a person who lives with You or a member of Your
     Immediate Family's care, custody or control or the care, custody or control of Your employees
     or any person who normally lives with You,
  - involving Your business trade or profession, or for events that happen where You work. This
    includes where You live, if You work from Home and Your Pet has access to Your work area,
  - any costs and expenses for defending You which We have not agreed beforehand,
  - because of the terms of an agreement (unless You would have been liable if the agreement did not exist),
  - claims caused by, arising out of, or in any way connected with asbestos,
  - claims caused by, arising out of or in any way connected with the discharge, dispersal, release
    or escape of pollutants defined as smoke, vapours, soot, fumes, acid, alkalis, toxic chemicals,

liquids, gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or any watercourse or body of water. This exclusion will not apply if such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is caused by an **Accident** which occurred during the **Period of Insurance** involving **Your Pet**,

- the prevention of such contamination or pollution.
- 3) Claims caused by, arising out of, or in any way connected with:
  - · Pregnancy, or
  - the transmission of disease.
- 4) Claims caused by, arising out of or in any way connected with an Accident, if You have not followed the instructions or advice given to You by the previous owners of Your Pet, or the rehoming organisation or a qualified behaviourist about the behaviour of Your Pet.
- 5) Where **Your** legal liability is covered or indemnified, in any way under any:
  - Statutory or compulsory scheme, fund or insurance, or
  - compensation scheme or workers compensation policy of insurance, or
  - · industrial award.
- 6) Where **Your** legal liability is over that recoverable under any:
  - Statutory or compulsory scheme, fund or insurance, or
  - accident compensation scheme or workers compensation policy of insurance, or
  - industrial award.
- For any aggravated, exemplary or punitive damages, damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages, fines or penalties.
- 8) If **Your Pet** is kept or lives on a premises that sell alcohol, unless there is no access from the residential premises to the business premises.
- 9) For an incident which takes place when **Your Pet** is in the care of a business or a professional and **You** are paying for their services. For example, but not limited to, when **Your Pet** is in the care of a dog minder, a dog trainer, a dog sitter or at the grooming parlour or boarding kennel.
- 10) If the Accident happens in an area or place where dogs are specifically prohibited, unless Your Pet escapes and enters the area outside of Your control.

#### **Conditions applying to Third Party Liability**

- You must not admit responsibility, agree to pay any claim or negotiate with any person following an incident which may give rise to claim under this Third Party Liability cover.
- 2) You must contact Us as soon as possible if:
  - An incident happens which could lead to a claim under this Third Party Liability cover. You must
    notify Us of an incident even if You don't believe that a claim is being made against You at this
    time.
  - You, or any other person, are advised of any prosecution, inquest or enquiry which could lead
    to a claim under this Third Party liability cover.
- 3) You must as soon as possible send Us any writ, summons or legal documents You receive and You or any other person on Your behalf must not respond to any of these documents.
- 4) You agree to provide Us with any information connected with the claim We reasonably ask for including details of Your Pet's history.
- 5) You agree to tell Us or help Us find out all the circumstances of an incident that results in a claim, provide written statements and go to court if needed.
- 6) You must allow Us to take charge of Your claim and allow Us to prosecute in Your name for Our benefit.

- 7) If more than one of the dogs insured under the Policy are involved in, or contribute towards, an Accident which is covered under this Third Party Liability Cover only one Maximum Benefit will apply to the Accident for all of the dogs. This means that if:
  - The dogs involved all have the same Maximum Benefit; the most We will pay for the Accident
    is that Maximum Benefit. For example, if all of the dogs insured each have a Maximum Benefit
    of £1,000,000, We will pay no more than £1,000,000 for the Accident.
  - The dogs involved are covered under a Policy which has different Maximum Benefits; the
    most We will pay for the incident is the highest of the Maximum Benefits. For example if one
    dog has a Maximum Benefit of £1,000,000, and another of £2,000,000, We will pay no more
    than £2,000,000 for the incident.
  - If dogs involved (all owned by You, but some are uninsured) We will pay no more than a pro
    ratio portion of the total amount of the claim, up to the Maximum Benefit.
- 8) If a business or a professional is being paid to care for **Your Pet** in any way (for example, but not limited to a dog minder, a dog trainer, a dog walker or a groomer) it is **Your** responsibility to:
  - Make sure the business/person has the appropriate third party liability insurance cover, and
  - tell them if **Your Pet** has any behavioural problems or requires any special handling so they are able to handle **Your Pet** in an appropriate manner.

## **Boarding Fees Cover**

In this Boarding Fees Cover 'You' means You or Your husband, wife, civil partner, girlfriend, boyfriend or other life partner.

#### What We will pay for Boarding Fees

Boarding Fees cover whilst in the UK only.

The cost of boarding **Your Pet** at a licensed boarding kennel or cattery or £10 a day towards the cost of someone who does not live with **You** (or is a co-owner of the pet), looking after **Your Pet** while **You** are an inpatient in hospital during the **Period of Insurance**.

This cover is intended for unexpected visits to hospital. It does not cover pet minding fees if you are in hospital for a pre-planned admission.

#### What You pay for Boarding Fees

The excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will not pay under Boarding Fees

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for the relevant cover for all hospitalisations or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded.
- 2) To the extent permitted by law, any amount if You are in hospital for less than four (4) consecutive days during each hospital stay.
- 3) To the extent permitted by law resulting from You having to go into hospital because of a sickness, disease, disability, Injury or illness that first occurred or manifested itself prior to or at the commencement of the Period of Insurance or was showing symptoms before Your Pet was covered.
- 4) If the person looking after Your Pet normally lives with You or is a member of Your Family, or is a co-owner of the pet.
- Resulting from You being pregnant, giving birth or any treatment that is not related to an Injury or illness.
- 6) Resulting from You having to go into a hospital for the treatment of alcoholism, drug abuse, drug addiction, attempted suicide or a self-inflicted Injury or cosmetic surgery or other forms of elective surgery.
- Resulting from care in a nursing home or from convalescence care that You do not receive in a hospital.
- 8) If a claim under this cover has not been submitted within one (1) year of the stay in hospital, to the extent that **We** are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.

#### **Conditions applying to Boarding Fees**

When claiming for a benefit under Boarding Fees You must supply Us with the original fully itemised invoice from the boarding establishment, pet sitter or written confirmation from the person looking after Your Pet, showing the dates and daily costs of boarding.

### **Holiday Cancellation Cover**

#### What We will pay for Holiday Cancellation

Holiday Cancellation cover whilst in the UK and Agreed Countries only.

Travel and accommodation expenses for **You** and **Your Immediate Family** that **You** cannot recover if **You** have to cancel **Your Journey** during the **Period of Insurance** because **Your Pet** is suffering from an **Injury** or **Illness** and is too ill to travel with **You**.

Any travel and accommodation expenses for You and Your Immediate Family, that You cannot recover if You have to cancel Your Journey during the Period of Insurance because Your Pet is Injured or shows the first Clinical Sign(s) of an Illness up to seven (7) days before You leave and so needs immediate lifesaving surgery.

Any travel and accommodation expenses for **You** and **Your Immediate Family** that **You** cannot recover if **You** have to cut short **Your Journey** during the **Period of Insurance** because **Your Pet**:

- · Goes missing, or
- is **Injured** or shows the first **Clinical Sign(s)** of an **Illness** while **You** are away and needs immediate lifesaving surgery.

If Your Pet goes with You on the Journey during the Period of Insurance and is Injured or shows the first Clinical Sign(s) of an Illness during the Journey and has to return Home for Veterinary Treatment, which means You have to cut short Your holiday or trip, We will pay:

- The value of any unused travel and accommodation expenses that You and Your Immediate Family have paid for, and
- any extra travel expenses to return Your Pet Home.

#### What You pay for Holiday Cancellation

The excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will not pay under Holiday Cancellation

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for all Journeys or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded for all Journeys undertaken during the Period of Insurance.
- 2) To the extent permitted by law, any amount or expenses resulting from:
  - · A Pre-Existing Condition,
  - an Illness that first showed Clinical Sign(s) before Your Pet's cover started, or
  - an Illness that is the same as, or has the same diagnosis or Clinical Sign(s) as an Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your Pet had before cover started, or
  - an Injury or Illness that is caused by, relates to or results from an Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your
    Pet had before its cover started, no matter where the Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) occurred
    or happen in or on Your Pet's body.
- 3) To the extent permitted by law, any amount or expense resulting from:
  - an Illness which starts in the first fourteen (14) days of cover,
  - an Illness that first showed Clinical Sign(s) within fourteen (14) days of Your Pet's cover starting, or
  - an Illness that is the same as, or has the same diagnosis or Clinical Sign(s) as an Illness or Clinical Sign(s) Your Pet has before its cover started or within fourteen (14) days of Your Pet's cover starting, or

- an Illness that is caused by, relates to or results from an Illness or Clinical Sign(s) that first
  occurred, or an Illness that first showed Clinical Sign(s) within fourteen (14) days of Your Pet's
  cover starting, no matter where the Injury, Illness or Clinical Sign(s) occurred or happen in or
  on Your Pet's body.
- 4) Any amount payable for travel expenses to return Your Pet Home unless a Vet has certified Your Pet is too ill to travel or has to return Home for Treatment.
- 5) Any amount if **Your Journey** was made to get **Veterinary Treatment** or **Alternative or Complementary Treatment** outside of the **UK**.
- 6) As permitted by law, any amount **You** can claim back for anywhere else.
- 7) For the cost of food.
- 8) Any costs relating to a holiday or trip You booked less than twenty-eight (28) days before You were due to leave.
- 9) Any costs resulting from an Injury or Illness We have specified as excluded on Your Certificate of Insurance or generally not covered by these terms and conditions.
- 10) Any costs if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of **Your Journey** being cancelled, to the extent that **We** are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.

#### **Conditions applying to Holiday Cancellation**

- 1) When claiming for a benefit under Holiday Cancellation You must supply Us with:
  - The booking invoice and cancellation invoice from the travel agent, tour operator or other holiday sales organisation if You have cancelled or cut short Your Journey, and
  - receipts for **Your** expenses if **You** are claiming for extra travelling expenses.

The invoices must show the date of the booking, the dates of the **Journey**, the date **You** decided to cancel or return **Home** and any expenses **You** cannot recover. **We** will not pay for this information.

### **Emergency Repatriation Cover**

#### What We will pay for Emergency Repatriation

Emergency Repatriation cover whilst in the UK and Agreed Countries only.

If **Your Pet** is **Injured** or shows the first **Clinical Sign(s)** of an **Illness** during **Your Journey** and cannot travel **Home** the same way it travelled to **Your** destination.

#### We will pay:

- The extra costs to get Your Pet Home, and
- cost of accommodation for You to stay after Your scheduled date of travel Home until Your Pet is
  well enough to travel, and
- if Your Pet dies, the costs of returning Your Pet's body Home or the cost of disposal, charged by the Vet where Your Pet dies.

#### What We will not pay for Emergency Repatriation

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for all Journeys or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded for all Journeys during the Period of Insurance.
- 2) Any costs resulting from a Pre-Existing Condition.
- 3) Any costs resulting from an Illness which starts in the first fourteen (14) days of cover.
- 4) Any costs resulting from an **Injury** that happens or an **Illness** first showing **Clinical Sign(s)** before the start of **Your Journey**.
- 5) Any costs that can be reclaimed from anywhere else.
- 6) Any costs unless a **Vet** has certified **Your Pet** is too ill to travel **Home** the same way it travelled to **Your** destination.
- Any amount if Your Journey was made to get Veterinary or Alternative or Complementary Treatment outside of the UK.
- 8) For more than seven (7) days' accommodation costs and more than £50 for each day's accommodation.
- 9) More than £50 for the cost of cremation or a coffin, casket or any other container for Your Pet's remains.
- 10) For the cost of food.
- 11) Any costs if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of the date Your Pet returns Home, to the extent that We are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.

#### What You pay for Emergency Repatriation

The excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### **Conditions applying to Emergency Repatriation**

- 1) When claiming for a benefit under Emergency Repatriation You must supply Us with:
  - The booking invoice or another official document showing the dates of Your Journey, and
  - the original invoices and receipts to show the costs involved.

### **Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents Cover**

#### What We will pay for Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents

Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents whilst in the UK and Agreed Countries only.

If Your Pet is either unable to return to the UK or must be guarantined on return to the UK because of:

- An Illness first showing Clinical Sign(s) during Your Journey, or
- the failure of the microchip, or
- the **Pet Passport** being lost or stolen.

#### We will pay:

- The cost to keep Your Pet in guarantine, and
- · the cost of getting a duplicate Pet Passport, and
- the cost of temporary accommodation while getting the duplicate Pet Passport, and
- extra costs to travel Home if the delay in getting duplicate Pet Passport has caused You to miss Your scheduled travel arrangements back to Your Home.

#### What You pay for Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents

The excess shown on Your Certificate of Insurance.

#### What We will not pay for Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents

- Any amount which exceeds the Maximum Benefit for all Journeys or which will result in the Maximum Benefit being exceeded for all Journeys.
- 2) Any costs resulting from a **Pre-Existing Condition**.
- 3) Any costs resulting from an Illness which starts in the first fourteen (14) days of cover.
- 4) Any costs resulting from an Injury that happens or an Illness first showing Clinical Sign(s) before the start of Your Journey.
- 5) Any costs that can be reclaimed from anywhere else.
- 6) Any costs that result from the failure of any microchip that does not meet the standards ISO 11784 or ISO 11785.
- 7) Any costs that result from a microchip reader failing to read a microchip.
- 8) For more than seven (7) days' accommodation costs and more than £50 for each day's accommodation.
- 9) Any costs if a claim has not been submitted within one (1) year of the date Your Pet returns Home, to the extent that We are prejudiced by the late notification of the claim.

#### **Conditions for Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents**

- When the Pet Passport is left unattended they must be kept in Your locked accommodation or in the locked boot, covered luggage area or glove compartment of a locked vehicle.
- 2) If the **Pet Passport** is lost or stolen, within twenty-four (24) hours of discovering them missing, **You** must report the incident to the police and obtain a police report. If the loss or theft occurred on a ship, aircraft, train or coach **You** must report the loss to the operator and obtain a report.

### **Claiming**

#### Making a claim

It's distressing when a much loved pet suffers an **Injury** or **Illness** so **We** do all **We** can to make the claims process as quick and easy as possible. There's lots of useful information on **Our** website *www.britishpetinsurance.co.uk* to assist **You** making a claim.

Claim payments will be made directly into **Your** bank account or if another method of payment is required any costs incurred for administration will be deducted from the claim settlement.

#### How to claim

Notify **Us** of a potential claim as soon as possible by:

- Downloading and completing a claim form from Our website: www.britishpetinsurance.co.uk/claims; or
- 2) Contact **Us** by telephone if You would like **Us** to send **You** a claim form.
- 3) Claims for Veterinary Fees only may be lodged with Your Vet (if mutually agreed by Your Vet) and We will pay the Veterinary Practice directly. You will need to pay Your Vet the applicable Excess(es) and any non-claimable items.
- 4) Claims for **Veterinary Fees** and **Alternative or Complementary Treatment** must be notified to **Us** no later than one (1) year after the **Treatment** date.
- 5) We will not guarantee on the phone if We will pay a claim. You must send Us a claim form that has been fully completed and We will then write to You with Our decision.
- 6) If **Your Pet** has been **Injured** or died after being attacked by another animal, please phone **Us** on 01444 708844 and talk to **Our** claims team to guide **You** through the process. **We** will also need:
  - Name, address and contact details of the owner of the other animal.
  - Confirmation of the current location of the animal which attacked Your Pet.
  - Confirmation (and if applicable any reference numbers) of the police and the Government or Public or Local Authority being advised of the attack.
- 7) Claims for **Advertising and Reward**, **You** must phone **Us** on 01444 708844 and talk to **Our** claims team, for the approval of any reward before **You** advertise it.
- 8) Contact **Us** as soon as possible about any incident that happens involving **Injury** to a person, another animal or property even if **You** don't believe a claim will be made against **You** at the time. Call **Us** on 01444 708844 Monday to Friday 9am 5pm. Do not admit responsibility, agree to pay any claim or negotiate with any person following an incident that may give rise to a claim. Any writ, summons or legal documents received by **You** need to be sent to **Us** as soon as possible. **You** must not respond to any of these documents.

#### Please send Us the following supporting documentation related to Your claim or incident: For both Veterinary Fees & Alternative or Complementary Treatment cover: A fully completed claim form by You. • The original full itemised invoices from the Veterinary Practice or Therapist which show what You are claiming for (Photocopies of fully itemised invoices are not acceptable). • Your Pet's full clinical history. When You make the first claim for Your Pet, Veterinary Fees & We will obtain its full clinical history. The full clinical history is a record of all visits **Your Pet** has made to a **Vet** and this information will be obtained Alternative or Complementary from each Veterinary Practice Your Pet has attended. Treatment • Claims for certain **Conditions** may also require additional information about Your Pet's full clinical history. We will advise You if We need this once We receive Your claim form. For Veterinary Fees cover and Treatment in an Agreed Country, We would also need: • The booking invoice for **Your Journey** or any other official documents which show the dates of Your Journey. • A fully completed claim form by You. • The death certificate from Your Vet. Death from Injury & **Death from Illness** • The purchase receipt from when You bought Your Pet. If **Your Pet** is a pedigree, the original pedigree certificate. • A fully completed claim form by You. • Evidence of the advertising carried out to try and find Your Pet. • Confirmation and if applicable the report of **You** advising the appropriate authority, for example **Your** local Council or the police. Theft or Straying • Evidence of You notifying Your microchip provider within five (5) days of finding out Your Pet is missing. • The purchase receipt from when You bought Your Pet. • If **Your Pet** is a pedigree, the original pedigree certificate. A fully completed claim form by You. • The original invoices and receipts to show the costs involved, including a receipt for any reward paid. • Confirmation and if applicable the report of You advising the appropriate authority for example Your local Council or the police.

# Advertising and Reward

- Evidence of You notifying Your microchip provider within five (5) days of finding out Your Pet is missing.
- If the loss or theft happened during Your Journey, the booking invoice or
- If applicable the police or operator's report.

You must phone  $\bf Us$  on 01444 708844 and talk to  $\bf Our$  claims team, for the approval of any reward before  $\bf You$  advertise it.

another official document to show the dates of Your Journey.

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- A fully completed claim form by You.
  A detailed description of the incident.
- Any correspondence that You may have received from a Third Party, this
  includes court documentation and legal documents.

<b>Boarding Fees</b>	<ul> <li>A fully completed claim form by You.</li> <li>The original fully itemised invoice from the boarding establishment, pet sitter or written confirmation from the person looking after Your Pet, showing the dates and daily costs of boarding.</li> <li>The medical certificate confirming You were an inpatient in hospital.</li> </ul>
Holiday Cancellation	<ul> <li>A fully completed claim form by You.</li> <li>The booking invoice and cancellation invoice from the travel agent, tour operator or other holiday sales organisation. The invoices must show the date of the booking, the dates of the Journey, the total cost of the holiday or trip, the date You decided to cancel or return Home and any expenses You cannot recover.</li> <li>The receipts for Your extra travel expenses.</li> <li>The original full itemised invoices from the Veterinary Practice or Your Pet's full clinical history. The full clinical history is a record of all visits Your Pet has made to a Vet.</li> </ul>
Emergency Repatriation & Quarantine Expenses and Loss of Documents	<ul> <li>A fully completed claim form by You.</li> <li>The booking invoice or another official document showing the dates of Your Journey.</li> <li>The original invoices and receipts to show the costs involved.</li> <li>If applicable the police or operator's report.</li> <li>If applicable the quarantine receipt.</li> </ul>

### Making a complaint

Our aim is to ensure that all aspects of your insurance are dealt with promptly, efficiently and fairly. At all times we are committed to providing you with the highest standard of service.

If you wish to make a complaint, you can do so at any time by referring the matter in the first instance to us.

The address is:

#### **British Pet Insurance Services**

4 Bridge Road Business Park, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1TX

Telephone: 01444 708844 Email: info@petcover.uk.com

Website: www.britishpetinsurance.co.uk

#### Please note:

If you are not satisfied after we have reviewed your complaint, you may refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service within six (6) months of the date of our final response.

The FOS is an independent service in the UK for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services. You can find more information on the FOS at: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk.

### Compensation

Alwyn Insurance Company Limited are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if Alwyn Insurance Company Limited is unable to meet its obligations to you under this insurance.

If you were entitled to compensation under the scheme, the level and extent of the compensation would depend on the nature of this insurance. Further Information about the scheme is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (PO Box 300, Mitcheldean, GL17 1DY) and on their website: www.fscs.org.uk.

### Pet Bereavement & Pet Loss Support Service

Blue Cross offers an invaluable service to support pet owners after a loss of their much-loved companions. They aid owners not only through a time of grief due to bereavement, but also in the stressful event of their pet's going missing or being stolen.

Blue Cross can be reached every day on 0800 096 6606 from 8.30am - 8.30pm to offer their assistance to those who are suffering a loss. Access is also possible via Webchat from 8:30am - 8:30pm every day at <a href="https://www.bluecross.org.uk/about-pbss">www.bluecross.org.uk/about-pbss</a>. Alternatively, they can be contacted via email: <a href="mailto:pbss@bluecross.org.uk/">pbss@bluecross.org.uk/about-pbss</a>. Alternatively, they can be contacted via email: <a href="mailto:pbss@bluecross.org.uk/">pbss@bluecross.org.uk/</a>, where a trained volunteer will respond within 48 hours.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to Blue Cross if you need someone to talk to; it is important to get the help you need during challenging times.

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