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## Welcome to your pet insurance policy

Welcome to **your policy** of insurance that provides cover for **your pet** for **veterinary fees** and other expenses as detailed in **your policy**.

At Pet Protect, we want you to be sure you have chosen the right cover for you and your pet.

Our Lifetime products are designed to help you with vet's bills for treating chronic or recurring conditions during the lifetime of your pet. As you would expect, as your pet gets older the likelihood of them falling ill increases; the cost of veterinary procedures also continues to increase. This means that premiums will likely increase in the future. Therefore, if you select this type of policy, you need to be aware of the following and not just consider the cost and policy terms and conditions that apply for the first year:

- The amount you will have to pay towards each claim (the policy excess) will increase as your pet gets older.
- The percentage of vet bills that you will pay towards each claim (your contribution) will increase as your pet gets older.
- Your premium may increase depending on a number of factors including your pet's age, breed & gender and the increasing costs of veterinary treatment.
- If you decide to cancel your Lifetime policy at any time and switch to another insurer or a different product, please be aware that many pet insurance policies do not offer cover for pre-existing conditions and therefore you may not be able to obtain the same level of cover elsewhere.

Your cover is made up of a number of sections. Please carefully read your policy and your schedule to understand which cover sections and payment limits apply to you. The cover for any given section only applies if that section heading appears under 'Cover Benefits' on the schedule. If no Section heading appears or the phrase 'Not covered' is shown against the heading then the cover by that section does not apply.

If the range of cover does not meet **your** needs then please telephone **us** to discuss the options available. **We** will be pleased to quote to change **your** level of cover. Words in bold type face (but not headings) such as 'your' have specific meanings attached to them as set out in Definitions. Please read the Definitions set out at the beginning of this policy.

The schedule and policy together form a legal contract with us and define exactly what you are covered against and what is excluded. If you have any questions in relation to your cover please contact us using the details contained on page 3.

#### Contact details

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Alternatively you may fax or write to us.

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0370 243 0097

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#### Your insurers and our regulator

Pet Protect Limited is registered in England and Wales with registered number 1774371. Registered office: Betchworth House, 57-65 Station Road, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 1DL. Pet Protect Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (Firm reference number 311794).

Our insurance is underwritten by Newline Insurance Company Limited who is registered in England and Wales under company registration number 04409827. Their registered office is Corn Exchange, 55 Mark Lane, London, EC3R 7NE. They are authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority (Firm reference number 435028).

This can be checked by visiting the 'Financial Services Register' on the Financial Conduct Authority's (FCA) website at www.fca.org.uk/register or by telephoning them on 0800 111 6768

#### Eligibility criteria

- This policy will not cover any pre-existing conditions.
- Your pet must be in good health and free from injury or illness when proposed for insurance and until acceptance by us.
- 3. We will not cover the following:
  - a. Pit Bulls, American Pit Bull Terriers, Dogo Argentinos, Japanese Tosas, Chinese Shar-Pei, Akita, Dogue de Bordeaux, Fila Brasileiro;
  - b. a dog crossed with these breeds, wolves or wolf hybrids; and
  - c. any animal registered under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 and the amendment 1997 and the Dangerous Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 or any subsequent amendments to these Acts.
  - d. a dog shown as a specified breed in the definition section of this policy, that is under 8 weeks or is 6 years or over when you take out the policy.
  - e. any dog which is under 8 weeks or is 8 years or over when **you** take out the **policy**.
  - f. a cat that is under 6 weeks or is 10 years or over when you take out the policy.
  - g. any claim where your pet is a working dog, this includes being used for or being trained for commercial use, guarding, security, farming, hunting or racing. This exclusion does not apply to assistance dogs.
- 4. Your policy contains a number of exclusions. These will be shown under "What isn't covered' either as general exclusions or Section exclusions. Please read the exclusions carefully to ensure that this policy is suitable for you and your pet.





The following words will have the same meaning attached each time they appear in your policy or schedule in bold type face, whether with a capital first letter or not. Depending on the context in which the words have been used, words used in singular will include the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine will include the feminine and the neuter. Any reference to a person will be assumed to include any individual, company, partnership, or any other legal entity. Any references to a statute or regulations will include all its amendments or replacements. The headings within the policy are used only for convenience of identification and will not be considered to contribute to the meaning of the paragraphs in this policy.

1 Accident

A sudden and unexpected event brought about by an external influence which is not an **illness** but which results in an **injury**.

2 Additional Coverages

a) The alternative or complementary treatments, hydrotherapy, physiotherapy, herbal and homeopathic medicines, chiropractic, behavioural therapy and acupuncture.

b) prescription diet;

c) dental disease;

d) dental accidents;

3 Agreed countries

Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus (Republic), Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Finland, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal (including Madeira), Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain (including the Balearic Islands, Canary Islands), Sweden, Switzerland, USA (mainland), Vatican.

4 Assistance dogs

Has been specifically trained to assist a disabled person and that meets the accredited membership criteria of Assistance Dogs International, Assistance Dogs Europe or the international Guide Dog Federation.

5 Benefit start date

The date a benefit payment commences.

- 5.1 The earliest date that cover for a specified illness or injury commences as specified in the schedule; and/or
- 5.2 The date from which payment of claim monies will commence following treatment insured by this policy.

As the context requires

6 Bilateral Condition

Any condition, which may affect duplicate body parts on both sides of the body (e.g ears, eyes, knees, cruciate ligaments, hips). These conditions are considered as one condition where the second body part is affected within a 12-month period.

7 Certificate for treatment against parasites A certificate issued under the terms of the Pet Travel Scheme. This is the official certificate of treatment (in the UK it is called pets2). It is only required for dogs and cats travelling with a valid PETS certificate.

8 Clinical signs

Changes in your pet's normal healthy state, its bodily functions or behaviour.

9 Condition

Any accidental **injury**, manifestation of an **illness** or a change in **your pet's** normal healthy state or behaviour.

10 Complementary treatment

Hydrotherapy, herbal or homeopathic medicine, physiotherapy, shockwave therapy, k-laser therapy and Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS) only.

11 Equipment

Behavioural training aids, buster collars, cages, cover boots, dog legges, elizabethan collar, harness, inflatable collar, nebulizer (aerokat), pet medical t-shirt / coverings / stockings (thunder shirt), prosthetic limbs, sharps bins / containers, smart collars, uripet.

12 EU Pets Passport

A passport allowing dogs and cats meeting the necessary requirements to move between EU Member States. This has replaced the PETS Certificate.

13 Excess(es)

The amount you must pay as shown on your schedule. In respect of injury or illness an excess is payable for each unrelated condition treated during each period of insurance. If the treatment dates of an injury, disease or illness fall into more than one period of insurance, you will be required to pay the excess for each period of insurance.

14 Illness

Physical disease, sickness, infection or failure that is not caused by **injury** or any changes to **your pet's** normal healthy state.

15 İndependent loss adjuster An independent assessor called in by us to check the validity of claims. 16 Injury Physical damage or trauma caused by an accident to your pet.

17 Journey

Travel from your home to any agreed country. Travel in and between agreed countries and return journeys to your home.

18 Maximum benefit

The most we will pay as stated on your schedule.

19 Period of insurance

The period between the Commencement and Expiry dates shown on **your schedule**. Both dates refer to local standard time at your address.

20 Period of Travel Insurance

A maximum of 31 days per policy year, this does not necessarily have to be in succession.

21 Pet

The pet you own, whose name and details are given on the schedule.

22 PET Travel Scheme (PETS)

Government scheme allowing you to take your pet abroad to certain specific countries and reenter the United Kingdom without the need for your pet to go into quarantine, provided certain criteria have been adhered to.

23 PETS Certificate

A certificate issued for dogs and cats before 1 October 2004 used to enter the UK and other EU countries from listed countries until the "Valid until" date shown on the certificate.

24 Pre-existing condition

Any **condition** or complication directly resulting from a **condition** that has been identified or investigated by a **vet**, is known to **you** or is otherwise reasonable for **you** to have known about prior to the start of the insurance.

25 Prescription diet

A clinical diet where such food has been prescribed by **your vet** as part of **treatment** for a covered **illness/accident**.

26 Policy

This document, the schedule (including any schedules issued in substitution) and any endorsements attaching to this document or the schedule that will be considered part of the legal contract.

27 Schedule

The document which identifies the policyholder and sets out details of the cover and excesses.

28 Specified breeds

Akbash, Alano Espanol, Alpine Dachsbracke, American Bandogge Mastiff, American Blue Gascon Hound, American White Shepherd, Appenzeller Sennenhunde, Azawakh, Azores Cattle Dog, Banter Bulldogge, Basenji, Basset Hound, Belgian Shepherd Dog, Belgian Shepherd Dog (Groenendael), Belgian Shepherd Dog (Laekenois), Belgian Shepherd Dog (Malinois), Belgian Shepherd Dog (Tervuren), Bernese Mountain Dog, Boerboel, Boxer, Braque Francais Pyrenees, Bulldog, Banter Bulldogge Alapaha Blue Blood Bulldog, American Bulldog, English Bulldog, French Bulldog, Toy Bulldog, Bullmastiff, Cane Corso, Caucasian Mountain Dog, Central Asian Outcharka Shepherd, Coonhound, Black and Tan Coonhound, Bluetick Coonhound, Redbone Coonhound, Treeing Walker Coonhound, Dalmatian, Danish Broholmer,

Deerhound, Scottish Deerhound, Doberman Pinscher, Dosa Inu, Dutch Sheepdog, English Mastiff, Entlebucher Mountain Dog, Estrela Mountain Dog, German Shepherd Dog, King German Shepherd, Great Dane, Great Pyrenees, Greater Swiss Mountain Dog, Greyhound, Grand Basset, Griffon Vendeen, Himalayan Sheepdog, Icelandic Sheepdog, Irish Wolfhound, Italian Greyhound, Landseer, Leonberger, Mastiff, Mee Kyun Dosa, Neapolitan Mastiff Newfoundland, Old English Mastiff, Old English Sheepdog , Olde English Bulldogge, Perro de Presa Canario, Peruvian Inca Orchid, Pharaoh Hound, Pyrenean Mountain Dog, Rafeiro do Alentejo, Giant Schnauzer, Shiloh Shepherd, Sloughi, American Staffordshire Terrier, Bull Terrier, English Staffordshire Terrier, Miniature Bull Terrier, Miniature English Bull Terrier, Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Tibetan Mastiff.

29 Third country official veterinary certificate A certificate allowing dogs and cats meeting the necessary requirements to enter EU Member States.

30 Treatment

Any examination, consultation, advice, tests, X-rays, medication, surgery, nursing, **prescription diet food** and care provided by a veterinary practice and/or if instructed by a **vet**.

31 United Kingdom or UK

Countries of England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

32 Vet/Veterinary

A qualified and registered veterinary surgeon.

33 Working Dog

This includes but is not limited to **your pet** being used or trained for commercial use, guarding, security, farming, hunting, racing and volunteering.

34 Vet/Veterinary fees

Fees incurred by a qualified and registered veterinary surgeon at a veterinary practice or at any other authorised organisation which has been agreed with **us** in advance.

35 Your contribution

The amount you must pay towards each claim once any excess has been deducted. This amount is calculated as a percentage of the claim depending upon the age of your pet at the start of the current period of insurance. This percentage contribution is stated on your schedule.

36 We ,us, our Our insurance is underwritten by

Newline Insurance Company Ltd.

37 You, your

Means the owner of the insured **pet. Your** name is given on the **schedule**. Joint policyholders are not permitted. If more than one person owns the **pet**, the owners must select which one of them will be the policyholder.

But for the exclusive purpose of Section 11 -Travel Cover 'you' and 'your' mean you or any person looking after or handling your pet with

your permission.

# How to Claim Section 01

There are some general conditions that apply to all sections of **your** insurance whilst other claim requirements only apply to specific sections.

The following terms apply to all sections but you must read these in conjunction with the specific "How to claim" guides set out in each section.

Remember that **you** may not be entitled to all the benefits shown in this **policy** document. **Your schedule** will contain the details of which sections apply to **your** cover and the corresponding **maximum benefits** for each section.

#### To submit a claim

- We will not authorise or guarantee any claims over the telephone but we can offer:
  - a. general advice
  - b. specific advice on whether fees will be considered for services provided outside your usual veterinary practice and not by your vet.
- 2. You must send us a claim form that has been fully completed. We will then write to you with our decision. Please complete the following steps:
  - a. download a claim form from our website (www.petprotect.co.uk);
  - b. complete the payment details on the front of the claim form;

- c. ask your vet to complete and sign the reverse of the form;
- d. sign the customer declaration at the end of the form;
- e. return to Pet Protect with all itemised receipts and any supporting information we ask for;
- f. all claims must be accompanied by a fully completed claim form signed and dated by **you** and the treating **vet** and furnished with a practice stamp. Original treatment invoices and up to date clinical history must be furnished with a practice stamp on each invoice or page. Claims must be submitted within 6 months (but 6 weeks for the last date of **your journey** in case of section 11 Travel Cover) of the **treatment** start date unless otherwise stated.
- If your pet has been referred to another veterinary practice or authorised organisation, you will need to contact us for authorisation prior to your appointment.
- If you request payment to be made directly to the vet (except for Travel cover):
  - a. If it is more convenient and your vet agrees, we can pay claims directly to your vet. You can tell us to do this when you make a claim. You will need to settle with the vet any fees for nonclaimable items and the policy excess / your contribution (if applicable);

- b.If your vet asks for information about your insurance relating to your claim, we will tell them what the insurance covers and how the amount we pay is calculated.
- 5. In the event Section 11 Travel cover applies to this policy, please remember to take a claim form abroad with you. The claim form with regard to the travel cover is different from the standard claim form. You should contact us to request a form (see Contact Us). While abroad, you do not need to contact us before any emergency treatment begins. However, you must settle any vets fees claims directly with the vet and keep the receipt. We are unable to settle any claims directly with the vets abroad. Any claims under the Travel cover will be settled with/reimbursed to you in UK currency.
- We are only able to make payments to the policy holder or the treating vet. Requests for payments to be issued to a third party cannot be met.

#### Our rights following a claim

- Where, in the policy, we refer to the term 'reasonable and customary,' we will seek guidance from other veterinary practices in your area or an independent loss adjuster, to assist with the determination of what constitutes reasonable and customary fees and procedures.
- We can ask to review and examine your pet's records and any other information from any vet who has treated your pet. It shall be your responsibility to obtain all such records and information as required at your expense.
- 3. If any claim against you results in legal action, we can take over your case and control it for as long as is necessary. Further, if it is necessary for any reason connected with this policy, we can use your name:
  - a. in legal action;

- b. to enforce judgement or order that benefits us: and
- c. to make or defend a claim for damages against someone else.
- 4. If there is any other insurance under which you are entitled to payments, we will only pay our share of the claim. You must tell us the name and address of the other insurance company and the applicable policy number.
- In the event that we are charged by our bank to process a stop cheque, you will become liable for the charge, unless it is an administration error.
- 6. In the event that the appointed independent loss adjuster or the local vet believes any claim to be unreasonable the matter will be referred for mediation to an independent party. The independent party will be chosen by you and us jointly.
- 7. If the veterinary fees you are charged are higher than the fees usually charged by a general or referral practice, we reserve the right to request a second opinion from a vet that we choose. If the vet we choose does not agree with the veterinary fees charged we may decide to pay only the veterinary fees usually charged by a general or referral practice in a similar area.

#### Claim payment

We will pay your claim:

- 1. if the claim form is correct and complete;
- when we have all the other information we need to support the claim;
- 3. when we are sure that the claim is valid.



#### Cooling off period

If the cover does not meet your requirements you have the right to cancel your policy during a period of 14 days either from the day of commencement of the contract or the day on which you receive your policy documentation, whichever is the latter.

Provided we have no record of any claims being notified, you will be entitled to a full refund of the premium for policies cancelled during the cooling off period.

## Your rights after commencement of cover

**You** may cancel the **policy** at any time by giving **us** 14 days' notice.

#### a) Monthly policies

If you are paying for your cover on a monthly basis, you will remain covered until the end of the month you have already paid for unless specified otherwise. However, if you make a claim, including if your pet has died, is stolen or has strayed, or if a claim is made against you and you subsequently cancel your policy, the annual premium shall become immediately payable. Any outstanding instalments for the period of insurance will be deducted from any claim payment and the cancellation notice will be deemed revoked.

If you decided to cancel your Direct Debit instalment, it's important that you call us to

ensure your policy has been fully cancelled, so your credit rating is not affected. It is your responsibility to contact your bank or building society and ensure no further payment is made to us.

#### b) Annual policies

If you have paid the annual premium in full we will refund a proportion of your premium which relates to the remaining unexpired full months of cover not used. However, if you make a claim including if your pet has died, is stolen or has strayed, or if a claim is made against you and you subsequently cancel your policy, we shall be entitled to retain your premium.

If you are thinking of leaving us, please give us a call to let us know 0345 602 4797.

#### Our cancellation rights

We have the right to cancel your policy at any time by giving you 14 days' notice in writing where there is a valid reason for doing so. We will write to you to set out the reason/s for cancellation. Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

- Where we have been unable to collect a premium payment. We will write to you requesting any outstanding payments be brought up to date within 14 days of receipt. We will also notify you that if payment is not received within 14 days, your policy will be cancelled with immediate effect.
- Where you are required, in accordance with the terms of this policy, to cooperate with us, or send us information or documentation and you fail to do so in a way that materially affects our ability to process a claim, or our ability to defend our interests. In this case we may write to you and may cancel your policy if you fail to co-operate with us or provide the required information or documentation by the end of the 14 day cancellation notice period;
- Where there is a material failure by you to take proper care of your pet as required by the sub-section headed 'Taking care of your pet' in the General Conditions section of this Policy Booklet;

If we do cancel your policy, we will refund the proportion of the premium you have not yet used.

## Complaints Procedure Section 03



#### **Complaints Procedure**

In the event that **you** wish to make a complaint **you** may contact **us** through the following methods:

Customer Relations Department Pet Protect Limited Betchworth House, 57-65 Station Road, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 1DL

Telephone: 0345 602 4797

Email: Complaints@petprotect.co.uk

If you were sold this product online or by other electronic means and within the European Union (EU) you may refer your complaint to the EU Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) platform. Upon receipt of your complaint the ODR will escalate your complaint to your local dispute resolution service - this process is free and conducted entirely online. You can access the ODR platform on https://ec.europa.eu/odr

If you remain dissatisfied with our response, you may, if eligible, refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS).

The Financial Ombudsman Service is an independent service in the UK for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services.

The FOS's contact details are as follows:

Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) Exchange Tower Harbour Exchange Square London

E14 9SR Fmail:

complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk Telephone: +44 (0)300 123 9 123

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

If you make a complaint your legal rights will not be affected.

Please note that the FOS will not deal with your complaint if you submit it to them sooner than 8 weeks after receipt of the complaint to us, or longer than 6 months after you have received a written final response.

#### Compensation scheme

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if we cannot meet our obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Our products and services are covered for 90% of the claim with no upper limit. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU or from their website (http://www.fscs.org.uk/contact-us/).



#### What is covered?

This **policy** insures **you** for **your pet** as described on **your schedule**.

Subject to the maximum benefit and policy excesses stated on your schedule this policy provides some or all of the following benefits:

- veterinary fees as set out in this document
- · loss by theft or straying
- · recovery advertising and reward
- kennel/cattery fees
- holiday cancellation
- if your pet dies
- travel cover
- third party liability dogs only

Please refer to **your schedule** to identify the benefits that apply to **your policy** and maximum amounts that apply to **your pet**. There are exceptions to the cover described above, so **we** may not pay claims for some fees or costs. These exceptions may apply to:

- a) every section of the policy –
   What isn't covered –
   General exclusions; or
- b) to specific section(s) only Section exclusions.

You, as the policyholder, have certain responsibilities towards your pet and towards us.

If you don't meet your responsibilities, we may not pay claims for some fees or costs. Your responsibilities are explained in the General Conditions section of this policy.

## What isn't covered - General exclusions

This policy excludes and does not cover:

- any pre-existing conditions including but not limited to any form of illness or injury that your pet has had, or has shown clinical signs of when you took out this policy. But please telephone us as we may be able to offer restricted cover where we exclude costs relating to the existing illness or injury.
- claims arising out of any accidents
   occurring or illness manifesting within 15
   days of inception of this policy provided
   that this exclusion shall not apply in
   respect of renewed policies.
- 3. fees for the cost of any **treatment your pet** has received after **your policy** has lapsed.
- 4. Pit Bulls, American Pit Bull Terriers, Dogo Argentinos, Japanese Tosas, Chinese Shar-Pei, Fila Brasileiro, Akita, Dogue de Bordeaux or a dog crossed with these breeds, wolves or wolf hybrids and any animal registered under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 and the amendment 1997 and the Dangerous Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 or any subsequent amendments.
- 5. working dogs. This includes your pet acquiring an injury or illness in the course of being used or trained for commercial use, guarding, security, farming, hunting, racing, volunteering etc. This exclusion does not apply to assistance dogs registered under an approved scheme.

#### **Your Contract of Insurance**

Volunteer dogs are classed as working dogs and cover is not provided for claims that arise in the course of a dogs volunteering activities.

- 6. any amount if **you** break **United Kingdom** laws or regulations, including but not limited to those relating to animal health or importation.
- any costs caused because Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs or the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development in the Republic of Ireland have put restrictions on your pet.
- any amount if your pet is confiscated or destroyed by the government or public authorities for causing disturbance or interference of livestock as provided for under Animals Act 1971, the Control of Dogs Act 1986 or Control of Dogs (Amendment) Act 1992 Republic of Ireland.
- 9. costs resulting from an illness that your pet contracted while outside the United Kingdom that it would not normally have contracted in the United Kingdom except only for the cost of life-threatening emergency treatment expressly covered under Section 11 'Travel Cover'.
  For the avoidance of doubt, any further treatment in the United Kingdom following the life-threatening emergency treatment received while on travel shall not be covered so far as it relates to an illness that your pet contracted while outside the United Kingdom.
- 10. any loss as a result of disease transmitted from animals to humans.
- 11. legal expenses, fines and penalties connected with or resulting from a criminal court case or an Act of Parliament.
- 12. the costs of, or compensation for, putting your pet to sleep under a Court Order or Contagious Diseases Act.
- 13. any claim which is caused directly or indirectly by:
  - a) loss or damage to any property, or any loss, expense or liability arising from

- ionising radiation or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from burning nuclear fuel or the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of any explosive nuclear equipment or any part of it;
- b) being exposed to the utilisation of nuclear, chemical or biological weapons of mass destruction;
- c) you taking part in a criminal act, civil commotion or riot of any kind;
- d) war whether declared or not;
- e) terrorism being an act of force or violence for political, religious or ideological reasons.
- 14. treatment for any condition that could have been prevented had you followed any remedial advice provided by your vet.
- 15. a dog shown as a **specified breed** that is under 8 weeks and or is 6 years or over when **you** take out the **policy**.
- any dog which is under 8 weeks or is 8 years or over when you take out the policy.
- 17. a cat that is under 6 weeks or is 10 years or over when **you** take out the **policy**.
- 18. any costs incurred outside the **period of travel insurance** which is 31 days. This applies to Section 11.
- 19. the excess as stated on your schedule. For veterinary fees the excess is applied once to each illness or injury for each period of insurance but for all other sections of your cover the excess is applied separately to each incident.
- any compensation costs and expenses if you are deemed responsible under laws outside the United Kingdom except as stated under Section 12 - Third party liability (dogs only).
- 21. fraudulent, dishonest or criminal acts of you or anyone authorised by you.

## Veterinary Fees Section 05



Please refer to **your schedule** to check whether this benefit applies to **your policy**.

This section refers to **veterinary fees** delivered in the **United Kingdom**. For veterinary fees delivered abroad, please refer to Section 11 - Travel cover and **your schedule**.

#### Lifelong cover

Economy Cat, Economy Dog, Cat Plus, Dog Plus, Essential Cat, Essential Dog, Lifelong Accident Cat, Lifelong Accident Dog, Lifelong Healthcare Cat, Lifelong Healthcare Dog, Lifelong Total Cat, Lifelong Total Dog, Loyal Basic Dog, Loyal Basic High Excess, Loyal Basic K, Cat Extra, Dog Extra, Loyal Comprehensive Dog, Lifelong Gold Dog, Pride Cat.

For the policies named above, provided your policy is continually renewed and in force during the period of treatment we will pay, the cost of veterinary treatment received for an illness or injury suffered by your pet. For each period of insurance all such payments will be limited to the maximum benefit for vet fees.

Each time the policy is renewed the maximum benefit for vet fees will be reinstated.

Treatments received after the period of insurance by this policy will be paid as separate claims for each subsequent period of insurance for as long as your policy is renewed with us.

#### Pet Protect Lifelong Accident

For the Pet Protect Lifelong Accident Policy you have no cover for illness. Your cover only applies to treatment for injury but

otherwise provided your policy is continually renewed and in force during the period of treatment we will pay as stated above the cost of veterinary treatment received for an injury suffered by your pet. For each period of insurance all such payments will be limited to the maximum benefit for vet fees.

#### Excess and your contribution

Please be advised that **veterinary treatment** under this section may be subject to an **excess** and **your contribution** if shown in **your schedule**. **Your contribution** is the amount you must pay towards each claim once any **excess** has been deducted.

## How we calculate your contribution

Amount of the claim

Your contribution is calculated as a percentage of the claim and is stated on your schedule. This will vary depending upon the age of your pet at the start of the current period of insurance. Please see the below example:

( 1000

Amount of the claim	£ 1000	
Less: Excess	£ 90	
	£ 910	
Less: Your contribution		
(10% of £910)	£ 91	
Maximum amount payable	£ 819	

#### 5.1 What is covered

We will pay:

- 5.1.1. reasonable **vet fees** arising from reasonable and customary **veterinary** procedures for treating an **illness** or **injury** or **condition**.
- 5.1.2. for diagnostic, medical and surgical treatment facilities, procedures and fees not primarily originating within your usual veterinary practice, provided we consider
  - such fees reasonable and customary; and
  - the originator's invoice is submitted.

If you are referred to, for example, human hospitals, veterinary referral practices, for diagnostic imaging, hydrotherapy etc, you must advise us prior to your appointment.

- 5.1.3. a fixed amount towards the costs (as shown in the schedule) for prescription diet food, as long as it is prescribed by your vet and can only be bought from a veterinary surgery or online pharmacy.
- 5.1.4. up to an inner limit of £750 for cruciate ligament claims per period of insurance. This includes and is not limited to, ligament tears and ruptures. This is not a separate benefit but is limited under Section 5 Veterinary Fees.
- 5.1.5. the fees for putting **your pet** to sleep as long as this is recommended by **your vet** (euthanasia).
- 5.1.6. emergency transfer fees only on medical grounds where it is essential that vet staff are needed to provide supportive care during transit.
- 5.1.7. complementary treatment or additional coverages (as shown in the schedule) for a covered illness/disease or medical condition. Including a fixed amount towards the costs.

- 5.1.8. payment of any amount for complementary treatment and/or additional coverages shall not exceed the limit shown in the schedule and these sums form part of the overall maximum benefit for veterinary fees.
- 5.1.9. up to an inner limit of £750 for CT/ MRI scans and any associated costs per policy year. This is not a separate benefit but is limited under Section 5 -Veterinary Fees.

Please Note: We class bilateral conditions as a single incident if an injury or illness affects duplicate body parts on both sides of the body within a 12-month period.

#### 5.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 5.2.1. more than the maximum benefit shown on your schedule. Claims for additional coverages cannot be made under Vet Fees Benefit.
- 5.2.2. the excess as stated on your schedule.
- 5.2.3. vet fees arising from any injury from any accidents occurring, or any illnesses or conditions manifesting within 15 days of inception provided that this exclusion shall not apply with respect to renewed policies.
- 5.2.4. more than £750 per **period of insurance** for claims for CT/MRI scans
  and any associated costs.
- 5.2.5. more than £750 per period of insurance for claims resulting from cruciate ligament rupture, tear or damage.
- 5.2.6. **vet fees** to treat an **illness/accident** which arises before the **benefit start date** as shown on **your schedule**.
- 5.2.7. costs arising from a **pre-existing** condition.
- 5.2.8. costs of any **treatment your pet** receives after the **period of insurance**.
- 5.2.9. a clinical diet that is only prescribed to help **your pet** lose weight.

- 5.2.10. costs for **treatment** for any disease or **illness** contracted abroad except under the specific Terms and Conditions of the Section 11 Travel Cover, if this is in force.
- 5.2.11. your contribution.
- 5.2.12. **vet fees** to treat an **illness** or **injury** related to **your pet** being pregnant or giving birth.
- 5.2.13. routine preoperative screenings or blood tests.
- 5.2.14. preventative and routine treatments, for example, vaccinations, spaying, castration, cosmetic procedures (including grooming), elective surgery and nail clipping and any claims arising as a result of these procedures.
- 5.2.15. the cost of killing and controlling fleas and/or tapeworms and roundworms, or measures to rid **your pet** of internal and external parasites, and any claims arising as a result of these procedures.
- 5.2.16. parasitic **conditions** including but not limited to lungworm, demodectic mange, sarcoptic mange, ticks, harvest mites, lice or ear mites.
- 5.2.17. pheromone therapy.
- 5.2.18. the cost of any treatments listed under Additional Coverages in excess of the respective limits shown in the schedule.
- 5.2.19. charges for house calls unless the **vet** confirms it is life-threatening to **your pet** to move it.
- 5.2.20. routine transfer fees from **your** regular **vet** to a 24-hour **vet**.
- 5.2.21. having **your pet** cremated, buried or otherwise disposed of.
- 5.2.22. travelling expenses incurred either by **you** or **your vet**.
- 5.2.23. any fee charged by **your vet** to complete the claim form or send additional information.

- 5.2.24. the hire or purchase of **equipment**.
- 5.2.25. organ transplants or any associated costs.
- 5.2.26. behavioural **equipment** such as training aids, purchase of videos, tapes, books, other training **equipment**, retraining programmes or relocating **your pet** for training purposes.
- 5.2.27. the cost of treating any **injury** or **illness** deliberately caused by **you** or anyone living with **you**.
- 5.2.28. **complementary treatments** that are not carried out under the direction of a **vet**.
- 5.2.29. costs resulting from an injury or illness specified as excluded on your schedule or generally not covered within these terms and conditions.
- 5.2.30. costs incurred outside the **United Kingdom** unless agreed by **us** in advance.
- 5.2.31. any treatment in connection with or arising from retained testicle(s) if your pet was over 12 weeks old on the date cover started for your pet.
- 5.2.32. stem cell therapy.
- 5.2.33. costs arising from pyometra, or conditions relating to the prostate or mammary glands, unless your pet has been neutered.

## How to claim for Section 5 - Vet Fees

Please read these conditions in conjunction with Section 1 - How to Claim.

- Remember that claims only apply to treatment received during the period of insurance.
- 2. All claims must be accompanied by a fully completed claim form signed and dated by you and the treating vet and furnished with a practice stamp. Original treatment invoices and up to date clinical history must be furnished with a practice stamp on each invoice or page. Claims must be submitted within 6 months of the treatment start date unless otherwise stated. For claims relating to fees originating from your usual veterinary practice you do not need to obtain prior approval before commencing treatment.
- 3. Referral veterinary practice for claims involving fees originating from a referral veterinary practice **you** must obtain **our** approval prior to **your** appointment with the referred practice.
- Ensure that all receipts or original invoices are retained, as these are required when you submit your completed claim form.
- 5. If **treatment** has not been completed, an interim claim can be submitted.
- If treatment has continued beyond one period of insurance and into the next (as shown on your schedule), please ask the vet to provide an itemised receipt showing the date and cost of fees incurred on each day.

#### 5.3 Euthanasia

Euthanasia is included within the cover and maximum benefit provided by Section 5.

#### 5.3.1 What is covered

We will pay for the cost of euthanasia incurred during the period of insurance (as shown in the schedule), but only when euthanasia has been recommended by your vet for humane reasons.

#### 5.3.2 What isn't covered

We will not pay any claim for any amount if your pet has been put to sleep for financial reasons, or in order to comply with the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 and the amendment 1997 or the Dangerous Dogs Act (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 or any subsequent amendments.

#### How to claim for Futhanasia

Please read these conditions in conjunction with Section 1 - How to Claim.

- 1. Contact us to request a claim form
- If you are claiming for treatment as well as euthanasia, these can be combined on the same claim form.
- 3. Ensure that all receipts or original invoices are retained, as these are required when **you** submit **your** completed claim form.
- All claims must be accompanied by a completed claim form with original invoices attached and must be submitted within 6 months of the euthanasia.

Please refer to your schedule to check whether this benefit applies to your policy.



#### 6.1 What is covered

We will pay you the purchase price which you paid for your pet if, during the period of insurance:

- 6.1.1. your pet is stolen or strays; and
- 6.1.2. **you** don't get **your pet** back within 30 days;

provided that **you** have reported the loss or theft of **your pet** within 24 hours of discovering it missing to the police and, if applicable, obtained a crime reference number.

The maximum benefit payable is the purchase price you paid for your pet or the schedule limit whichever is the lower.

You must provide proof of what you paid or donated for your pet. If you don't provide this we will only pay the fixed amount of £35 for a cat and £70 for a dog.

## 6.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay the purchase price of your pet if:

- 6.2.1. **your pet** is stolen or strays within 15 days of **you** taking out the **policy**.
- 6.2.2. **you** or the person looking after **your pet** has intentionally parted with it.
- 6.2.3. you have not reported the loss or theft of your pet within 24 hours of discovering it missing to the police and, if applicable, obtained a crime reference number to certify the theft or loss was reported to the police.
- 6.2.4 **you** have not immediately taken all reasonable steps to find or recover **your pet**.
- 6.2.5 **you** have no formal proof of how much **you** paid for **your pet**.

#### 6.3 What is covered

In the event you are reunited with your pet after we have paid you in accordance with the cover under Section 6 Loss by theft or straying, you will be required to unconditionally pay back the money we paid you on account of your claim under this section of the policy.

## How to claim for Section 6 - Loss by theft or straying

- If your pet is not found within 30 days you may claim the purchase price you paid for your pet by notifying us in writing, giving full details of the circumstances of the loss.
- 2. For pedigree pets, please send **us** the original purchase receipt and pedigree certificate.
- For non-pedigree pets, please send us the original purchase receipt signed by the person from whom you purchased your pet, together with his/ her name and full address.
- For rescue pets, please send us the paperwork you were given by the rescue centre showing price/donation you paid.
- 5. If applicable **you** must obtain a crime reference number from the police.
- Ask for our approval before you advertise or try other methods of finding your pet.

## Recovery – Advertising and Reward Section 07



Please refer to **your schedule** to check whether this benefit applies to **your policy**.

We will pay you the cost covered under this section if, during the period of insurance, your pet is stolen or goes missing provided that you obtain our approval prior to advertising/ reward and/ or trying other methods of finding your pet.

#### 7.1 What is covered

Subject to **our** prior approval, if **you** try to find **your pet** after it is stolen or strays, **we** will pay:

- 7.1.1. the recovery and other associated costs; and
- 7.1.2. the cost of advertising; and
- 7.1.3. the amount of any reward **you** have offered and paid to get **your pet** back.

## 7.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 7.2.1. more than the **maximum benefit** as shown on **your schedule**;
- 7.2.2. if **your pet** is stolen or strays within 15 days of **you** taking out the **policy**.
- 7.2.3. any recovery costs unless **you** immediately take all reasonable steps to find or recover **your pet**.

- 7.2.4. any expenses you incur in trying to find your pet if you have not obtained our approval prior to advertising or trying other methods of finding your pet.
- 7.2.5. any reward not supported by a signed receipt giving the full name and address of the person who found your pet.
- 7.2.6. any reward paid to a member of **your** family or to someone employed by **you**.
- 7.2.7. any ransom costs if **your pet** is stolen or 'dognapped'.

## How to claim for Section 7 - Recovery – advertising and reward

- 1. You must contact us and obtain our written consent before you incur any costs in trying to find your pet.
- 2. If you have paid a reward to recover your pet, please provide the receipt and the full name and address of the person whom it was paid to.

## Kennel and or Cattery Fees Section 08



Please refer to **your schedule** to check whether this benefit applies to **your policy**.

#### 8.1 What is covered

- 8.1.1. **We** will pay the kennel and/or cattery fees if, during the **period of insurance**:
  - i) you are ill or injured and have to go into hospital for more than 48 hours (see section exclusions); and
  - ii) your pet is put into in a licensed kennel/cattery while you are in hospital
  - provided that **you** obtain a medical certificate when **you** leave the hospital.
- 8.1.2. If you require to be hospitalised more than once for the same illness or injury, you will only have to pay one excess the first time you go in. However, if you have to go into hospital more than once for different illnesses or injuries, you will be required to pay the excess as stated on your schedule for each separate illness or injury.

## 8.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 8.2.1. any claim for the first 48 hours **you** are in hospital;
- 8.2.2. more than the maximum benefit as shown on your schedule;
- 8.2.3. the excess as stated on your schedule
- 8.2.4. any costs resulting from you having to go into hospital because of an illness or injury occurring or showing symptoms before your pet's cover started or within the first 15 days of this policy.

- 8.2.5. any costs resulting from **you** being pregnant, giving birth or any treatment that is not related to an injury or illness.
- 8.2.6. any costs resulting from **you** having to go into a hospital for treatment for alcoholism, drug abuse, drug addiction, attempted suicide or self inflicted injuries.
- 8.2.7. any costs resulting from nursing-home care or from convalescence care that you do not receive in hospital.
- 8.2.8. any costs if someone else living with you can reasonably be expected to look after your pet whilst you are in hospital.
- 8.2.9. Any costs if **you** are in hospital outside the **United Kingdom**.

## How to claim for Section 8 - Kennel and or cattery fees

- 1. When **you** leave hospital, ensure **you** obtain a medical certificate.
- Obtain the receipt from the boarding kennel/cattery.
- Send us a letter confirming the nature of the illness/injury you were hospitalised for and enclose the above documents.

### Holiday Cancellation **Section 09**



Please refer to **your schedule** to check whether this benefit applies to **your policy**.

#### 9.1 What is covered

If, during the **period of insurance**, **you**:

- cancel your holiday or you come home early or
- cancel **your** holiday less than 7 days before **you** were due to leave;

because **your pet** needs life-saving surgery, **we** will pay **you**:

- the value of any unused travel and accommodation expenses; and
- any extra travel expenses in order for you to return home.

Provided that **you** cannot get these expenses back from anywhere else, for example from travel insurance.

## 9.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 9.2.1. more than the **maximum benefit** as shown on **your schedule**.
- 9.2.2. the costs of any other person on the holiday with **you**.
- any costs specified as excluded on your schedule or generally not covered by these terms and conditions.
- 9.2.4. any amount, unless a **vet** has certified that **your pet** needs lifesaving surgery and has recommended that **you** cut **your** holiday short.

- 9.2.5. any amount, if the cost of accommodation is for a property owned by **you** or **your** family or any person travelling with **you** on the same holiday.
- 9.2.6. any amount, if **you** cancel **your** holiday or come home early because **your pet** needs surgery which is not life-saving.
- 9.2.7. any amount, if you booked your holiday less than 28 days before you were due to leave.
- 9.2.8. more than the cancellation charge levied by the tour operator or any administration fees or taxes refundable by the airline.

## How to claim for Section 9 - Holiday cancellation

Please read these conditions in conjunction with Section 1 - How to Claim.

- 1. A **vet** must have recommended that **you** cut **your** holiday short.
- We require cancellation confirmation from your travel agent, the operator or other holiday sales organisation.
- Send us receipts for the expenses you are claiming and a letter explaining when and why you had to pay each expense.
- Send us a copy of your travel insurance certificate confirming levels of cover.

The confirmation must show the dates and total cost of **your** holiday, the date **you** decided to cancel or return home, and any expenses that **you** cannot recover.

## If your pet dies **Section 10**



Please refer to **your schedule** to check whether this benefit applies to **your policy**.

#### 10.1 What is covered

In the event of accidental death of your pet during the period of insurance, we will reimburse you the purchase price that you paid for your pet up to the policy limit. This amount shall be payable irrespective of whether you have received payment for any vet fees under Section 5 of this policy to treat the injury resulting in the death of your pet.

**You** must provide proof of what **you** paid or donated for **your pet**. If **you** don't provide this **we** will only pay a fixed amount of £35 for a cat and £70 for a dog.

## 10.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 10.2.1. any benefit under this section if **your pet** dies as the result of an **illness**.
- 10.2.2. more than the **maximum benefit** as shown on **your schedule**.
- 10.2.3. if **your** dog is put to sleep due to aggression unless this can be attributed to a medical **condition**.
- 10.2.4. if the death relates to an exclusion placed on **your schedule** or is generally not covered by the terms and conditions of this **policy**.

- 10.2.5. if the death occurs within 15 days of inception provided that this exclusion shall not apply with respect to renewed policies.
- 10.2.6. any benefit under this section if **your pet** is aged 8 years or over.
- 10.2.7. the cost of having your pet cremated, buried or otherwise disposed of.

#### How to claim under Section 10 - If your pet dies

- Send the claim form to us as soon as possible but no later than 6 months after your pet dies, along with the original purchase receipt and pedigree certificate if appropriate.
- For pedigree pets, please send the purchase receipt and pedigree certificate.
- 3. For non-pedigree pets, please send the purchase receipt signed by the person from whom you purchased your pet together with his/her name and full address.
- 4. For rescue pets, please send **us** the paperwork **you** were given by the rescue centre showing the price/donation **you** paid.

## Travel Cover **Section 11**

Please refer to your schedule to check whether this benefit applies to your policy. Cover under this benefit can be purchased separately or added to your policy at renewal.

If you are taking your pet abroad, you must inform us prior to travel and provide us with evidence of your travel itinerary from your travel provider and comply with the Pets Travel Scheme.

The table of benefits below applies to the travel section only.

#### 11.1 What is covered?

This section insures your pet as described on your schedule in any agreed country outside the United Kingdom, for a maximum period of 31 days of travel per period of insurance, subject to the maximum benefit and policy excesses stated on your schedule.

Product	Death of Pet	Recovery Costs per policy year up to	Quarantine Costs per policy year up to	Third Party (Dogs only) per policy year up to	Loss by theft or straying per policy year up to	Emergency Vet Fees per policy year up to
Loyal Comprehensive & Pet Protect Gold	£750	£500	£1,500	£2 Million	£750	£2,000
Loyal Basic	£500	£500	£1,500	£1 Million	£500	£2,000
Pride	£500	£500	£1,500	Nil	£500	£2,000
Lifelong Essential Protection	Nil	£250	£1,500	£1 Million	Nil	£1,000
Lifelong Extra Protection Dog	£750	£500	£1,500	£1 Million	£750	£1,500
Lifelong Extra Protection Cat	£500	£500	£1,500	Nil	£500	£1,500
Lifelong Plus Protection Dog & Cat	Nil	£500	£1,500	£1 Million	Nil	£1,000
Lifelong Accident	£600	£500	£1,500	£2 Million	£500	£2,000
Loyal K	£500	£500	£1,500	£1 Million	£500	£2,000
Pride K	£500	£500	£1,500	Nil	£500	£1,000
Lifelong Totalcare	£600	£500	£1,500	£2 Million	£500	£2,000
Lifelong Healthcare	£600	£500	£1,500	£2 Million	£500	£2,000

## 11.2 What isn't covered - Section exclusions

We will not pay:

- 11.2.1. any amount incurred outside the period of travel.
- 11.2.2. any amount as a result of an accident or illness, occurring or showing any clinical signs before the travel start date
- 11.2.3. any pet that does not have a valid EU Pets Passport or PETS Certificate.
- 11.2.4. any amount if **you** do not follow the conditions of the **Pet Travel Scheme**.
- 11.2.5. any amount if **you** or **your pet** lives outside the **UK**.
- 11.2.6. curtailment, extension or repatriation
- 11.2.7. any pet that has been outside the agreed countries during the journey or within 6 months before the start of your journey.
- 11.2.8. any journey you take your pet on against a vet's advice.
- 11.2.9. any amount if **you** break the **United Kingdom** or Republic of Ireland laws or regulations including those relating to animal health or importation.
- 11.2.10. any costs incurred in order to comply with the requirements of the **Pet**Travel Scheme.
- 11.2.11. any amount if **your pet** is confiscated or destroyed by any government or public authorities.
- 11.2.12. any costs caused because any foreign government or public authority has put restrictions on **your pet**.
- 11.2.13. any amount if **your pet** is not brought back into the **United Kingdom** by a route approved by the **Pet Travel Scheme**.
- 11.2.14. any loss incurred by, connected to or resulting from any device failing to recognise, interpret or process your pet's microchip number unless the microchip is proved to be faulty.
- 11.2.15. any costs incurred in any non-agreed country.
- 11.2.16. relocation to another country.

- 11.2.17. working dogs. This includes your pet acquiring an injury or illness in the course of being used or trained for commerical use, guarding, security, farming, hunting, racing, volunteering etc. This exclusion does not apply to assistance dogs registered under an approved scheme.
  - Volunteer dogs are classed as working dogs and cover is not provided for claims that arise in the course of a dogs volunteering activities.
- 11.2.18. any costs imposed by the carrier to carry out checks whether required by them or by any Government or governing body.
- 11.2.19. repatriation of **your pet** following its death.
- 11.2.20. any loss due to currency exchanges of any and every description.
- 11.2.21. any claim arising due to non-compliance with any part of the Pet Travel Scheme requirements, whether imposed by the Government, a carrier or other countries involved in the Pet Travel Scheme.
- 11.2.22. any delay, confiscation, detention, requisition, damage, destruction or any prohibitive regulations by customs or any Government Officials or authorities of any country unless specifically covered by this **policy**.
- 11.2.23. any amount if you have not informed us of your travel dates you are taking your pet abroad.
- 11.2.24. any amount if **you** fail to provide **us** with evidence of **your** travel itinerary from **your** travel provider.
- 11.2.25. the excess as stated on your schedule.
- 11.2.26. any amount resulting from an illness that your pet contracted while outside the United Kingdom except only for the cost of life threatening emergency treatment expressly covered under this Section 11 Travel Cover.

#### **Travel Cover**

Any further treatment in the **United Kingdom** following the life-threatening emergency treatment received whilst on travel shall be covered under Section 5 - Veterinary Fees but the **maximum benefit** payable for treatment shall be the limit for this Section 11 - Travel Cover.

### 11.3 Emergency veterinary fees

We will reimburse you the cost of emergency veterinary treatment received abroad for an illness or injury suffered by your pet during your period of travel.

For the avoidance of doubt, emergency veterinary treatment means that cover only includes treatment that is of immediate necessity in order to save your pet's life and does not cover any treatment which the vet believes can be delayed until your pet returns to the UK.

While abroad, you do not need to contact us before any emergency treatment begins. However, you must settle the vets fees claims directly with the vet and keep the receipts. Claims under this section will be settled with/reimbursed to you in sterling upon completion of the claim form and the presentation of the receipts. We are unable to settle any claims directly with the vets abroad.

#### 11.3.1 What is covered

We will pay:

- 11.3.1.1 for the cost of any reasonable and necessary emergency vet fees for treatment your pet receives for an illness or injury (including injuries caused by fire, lightning and poisoning);
- 11.3.1.2 fees for putting **your pet** to sleep as long as it is recommended by a **vet**; in an **agreed country** during the **journey**.

## 11.3.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay for:

- 11.3.2.1 more than the maximum benefit shown on your schedule.
- 11.3.2.2 the excess as stated on your schedule.
- 11.3.2.3 **vet fees** to treat an **illness** or **injury** related to **your pet** being pregnant or Page 24 giving birth.

- 11.3.2.4 routine preoperative screenings or blood tests.
- 11.3.2.5 preventative or routine treatments, for example, vaccinations, spaying, castration, grooming or nail clipping and any claims arising as a result of these procedures.
- 11.3.2.6 house calls or ambulance charges unless the **vet** confirms that they are essential to **your pet's** health.
- 11.3.2.7 travelling expenses incurred by either yourself or a vet.
- 11.3.2.8 claims for any tick or worming treatment.
- 11.3.2.9 any fee charged by a **your vet** to complete the claim form.
- 11.3.2.10 having **your pet** cremated, buried or otherwise disposed of.
- 11.3.2.11 fees resulting from an injury or illness specified as excluded on your schedule.
- 11.3.2.12 the cost of any treatment a **vet** believes can be delayed until **your pet** returns home.
- 11.3.2.13 the cost of any treatment if the journey was made to get your pet treatment abroad.
- 11.3.2.14 any fees arising from any **condition** of which **you** were aware before the start of the **journey**.

#### How to claim for Clause 11.3 Emergency veterinary fees

- Remember that claims only apply to treatment received during the journey.
- 2. Claim form receipts must be returned to **us** within 6 weeks after the last day of **your journey**.
- 3. All claims must be accompanied by a completed claim form with original invoices attached.
- We cannot settle any claims with vets abroad. All claims will be settled with you in sterling.
- 5. Exchange rate is calculated on the date that the claim is processed.

## 11.4 If your pet dies 11.4.1 What is covered

In the event of accidental death of your pet during the journey, we will reimburse you the purchase price that you paid for your pet up to the policy limit. This amount shall be payable irrespective of whether you have received payment for any vet fees under Section 11.1 of this policy to treat the injury resulting in the death of your pet.

## 11.4.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- a) any benefit under this Section if your pet dies as the result of an illness.
- b) more than the **maximum benefit** as shown on **your schedule**.
- c) if your dog is put to sleep due to aggression unless this can be attributed to a medical condition.
- d) the death relates to an exclusion placed on your schedule or is generally not covered by the terms and conditions of this policy.
- e) if **your pet** dies and the **journey** was made to obtain **treatment** abroad.
- f) post mortem fees.
- g) if **you** have no formal proof of how much **you** paid for **your pet**.

## How to claim for Clause 11.4 - If your pet dies

Please read these conditions in conjunction with Section 1 - How to Claim.

- Send the claim form to us as soon as possible after your pet dies, along with the purchase receipt and pedigree certificate if appropriate. All paperwork must be submitted within 6 weeks of your pet's death.
- For pedigree pets, please send the purchase receipt and pedigree certificate.

- For non-pedigree pets, please send the purchase receipt signed by the person from whom you purchased your pet together with his/her name and full address.
- 4. For rescue pets, please send **us** the paperwork **you** were given by the rescue centre showing the price/donation **you** paid.

## 11.5 Loss by theft or straying 11.5.1 What is covered

We will pay you the purchase price which you paid for your pet if, during your journey:

11.5.1.1. your pet is stolen or strays; and

11.5.1.1. **you** don't get **your pet** back within 30 days;

Provided that **you** have reported the loss or theft of **your pet** within 24 hours of discovering it.

## 11.5.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 11.5.2.1. more than the maximum benefit as shown on your schedule.
- 11.5.2.2. any amount unless **you** report the loss or theft of **your pet** within 24 hours of discovering it missing and there is some official documentation to certify the theft or loss was reported to the police or other relevant authority or to the ship, aircraft, train or coach operator if the loss or theft happened while **you** were travelling with them.
- 11.5.2.3. any costs unless **you** immediately take all reasonable steps to find or recover **your pet**.
- 11.5.2.4. any sum within the first 30 days after the date of loss.
- 11.5.2.5. the excess as stated on your schedule.
- 11.5.2.6. if **you** have no formal proof of how much **you** paid for **your pet**.

#### 11.5.3 Special condition

In the event you are reunited with your pet after we have paid you in accordance with the cover under Section 11.5 Loss by Theft or straying, you will be required to unconditionally pay back the money we paid you on account of your claim under this section of the policy.

## How to claim for Clause 11.5 - Loss by theft or straying

Please read these conditions in conjunction with Section 1 - How to Claim.

- 1. If your pet is not found within 30 days you may claim the purchase price you paid for your pet by notifying us in writing, giving full details of the circumstances of the loss.
- For pedigree pets, please send the purchase receipt and pedigree certificate.
- 3. For non-pedigree pets, please send the purchase receipt signed by the person from whom you purchased your pet together with his/her name and full address.
- For rescue pets, please send us the paperwork you were given by the rescue centre showing the price/ donation you paid.
- 5. **You** must claim for this benefit within 6 weeks of the date of loss.

In absence of the full supporting paperwork **we** will pay only the fixed amount of £35 for a cat and £70 for a dog.

### 11.6 Recovery – advertising and reward

We will pay you the cost covered under this section if, during the journey your pet is stolen or goes missing provided that you obtain our approval prior to advertising/reward and/or trying other methods of finding your pet.

#### 11.6.1 What is covered

If your pet is stolen or goes missing we will pay;

11.6.1.1. the cost of advertising.

11.6.1.2. the amount of any reward you have offered and paid to get your pet back.

## 11.6.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 11.6.2.1. more than the maximum benefit as shown on your schedule;
- 11.6.2.2. any reward not supported by a signed receipt giving the full name and address of the person who found **your pet**.
- 11.6.2.3. any reward paid to a member of your family, any person travelling with you on the same holiday or employed by you.
- 11.6.2.4. any amount unless you report the loss or theft of your pet within 24 hours of discovering it missing and there is some official documentation to certify the theft or loss was reported to the police or ship, aircraft, train or coach operator if the loss or theft happened while you were travelling with them.
- 11.6.2.5. any costs unless **you** immediately take all reasonable steps to find or recover **your pet**.
- 11.6.2.6. the excess as stated on your schedule.

#### How to claim for Clause 11.6 Recovery – advertising and reward

- If you have paid a reward to recover your pet please provide a receipt and the name and address of the person that this was paid to.
- 2. Exchange rate is calculated on the date that the claim is processed.

## 11.7 Quarantine expenses and loss of documents

#### 11.7.1 What is covered

- 11.7.1.1. We will pay you up to the maximum benefit shown in the schedule if your pet is not allowed back into the UK because of the failure of the microchip, EU Pet Passport or the PETS certificate or certificate for treatment against parasites being lost or stolen.
- 11.7.1.2. You are covered for:
  - a) the cost of removing the failed microchip and implanting a replacement;
  - b) the cost to keep **your pet** in quarantine;
  - the cost of getting a duplicate EU
     Pet Passport, PETS Certificate or certificate for treatment against parasites or repeat treatment for parasites.

## 11.7.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 11.7.2.1. more than the **maximum benefit** as shown on **your schedule**.
- 11.7.2.2. the **excess** as stated on **your** schedule.
- 11.7.2.3. any costs that result from the failure of any microchip that does not meet ISO standard 11784 or Annex A to ISO standard 11785.
- 11.7.2.4. any costs that result from a microchip reader failing to read a microchip.
- 11.7.2.5. any costs unless you report the loss or theft of your EU Pet Passport, PETS Certificate or certificate for treatment against parasites, within 24 hours of discovering it missing and there is an official document to certify the theft or loss was reported to the police or ship, aircraft, train or coach operator if the loss or theft happened while you were travelling with them.

- 11.7.2.6. any costs that result from the EU
  Pet Passport, PETS Certificate or
  certificate for treatment against
  parasites being lost or stolen whilst
  left unattended unless they are in
  your accommodation or the locked
  boot, covered luggage area or glove
  compartment of a locked vehicle.
- 11.7.2.7. any costs unless you immediately take all reasonable steps to find or recover your EU Pet Passport, PETS Certificate or certificate for treatment against parasites.
- 11.7.2.8. any fees arising from any condition of which you were aware before the start of the journey.

## How to claim for Clause 11.7 - Quarantine expenses and loss of documents

- We will ask you to support your claim with documentary evidence that your pet was microchipped prior to your journey with a microchip of ISO standard 11784 or Annex A to ISO standard 11785.
- 2. Exchange rate is calculated on the date that the claim is processed.

#### Third Party Liability (Applicable to dogs only) Section 12



Please refer to **your schedule** to check whether this benefit applies to **your policy**.

#### 12.1 What is covered

- 12.1.1 If property is damaged, or any person is killed, injured or falls ill as a result of an incident involving your pet during the period of insurance, we will pay:
  - compensation and costs awarded against you by a court of law; and
  - the legal costs and expenses for defending a claim against **you**.

Provided that we shall not pay more than the maximum benefit as shown on your schedule.

- 12.1.2 If other dogs are involved with **your pet** in causing injury or damage, **we** will only pay for the share of the injury or damage caused by **your pet**.
- 12.1.3 If your pet, along with the other dogs belonging to you but not insured under this policy, is involved in an incident causing injury or damage, you will have to pay a proportionate share of the total injury and/ or damage caused by your pet and your uninsured dogs. For example, if you have three dogs which cause injury or damage and only one is insured, we will pay one-third of any claims made against you.

## 12.2 What isn't covered - Section Exclusions

We will not pay:

- 12.2.1 more than the maximum benefit as shown on your schedule.
- 12.2.2 the excess as stated on your schedule.

  Your excess must be paid by you before any payment is made to a third party.

- 12.2.3 compensation or legal costs if the injured person:
  - · is part of your family;
  - · lives in your home;
  - · works for you;
  - is looking after your dog with your permission; or
  - if Section 11 Travel cover applies, is travelling with **you** on the same holiday.
- 12.2.4 compensation or legal costs if the damaged property belongs to **you** or someone who:
  - · is part of your family;
  - · lives in your home;
  - · works for you;
  - is looking after your pet with your permission;
  - if Section 11 Travel cover applies, is travelling with **you** on the same holiday.
- 12.2.5 compensation or legal costs if **you** or someone listed above is looking after the property or holding it in trust.
- 12.2.6 if you work from home and your pet has access to your work area and/or your clients' property and causes any incident which results in any form of compensation, costs and expenses.
- 12.2.7 any compensation costs and expenses if you are legally responsible only because of a contract you have entered into.
- 12.2.8 any compensation, costs and expenses resulting from an incident that takes place as a result of **your** profession, occupation or any business.
- 12.2.9 any costs or expenses for defending **you** which **we** have not agreed beforehand.
- 12.2.10 any compensation costs and expenses arising from an incident if **you** have not followed advice or information given to **you** by previous owners, **vets** or re-homing organisations about the behaviour of **your pet**.

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- 12.2.11 any compensation costs and expenses if you are deemed responsible under laws outside the United Kingdom except as allowed for under Section 11 Travel Cover, if applicable to this policy.
- 12.2.12 any compensation, costs or expenses due to a deliberate act by **you**, a member of **your** family or anyone living with **you**.
- 12.2.13 any compensation costs and expenses if you are responsible for air, water or soil pollution, unless it can be proved that the pollution took place immediately after and as a result of an accident involving your pet.
- 12.2.14 costs resulting from any incident specified as excluded on **your schedule** or generally not covered within these terms and conditions.
- 12.2.15 claims which would be covered by any other insurance that **you** or the person looking after **your pet** have.
- 12.2.16 any loss as a result of disease transmitted from animals to humans.
- 12.2.17 punitive or exemplary damages.
- 12.2.18 any compensation, costs or expenses arising from an incident where **your pet** was seized by a dog warden or placed under control of a government authority.

If Section 11 - Travel cover applies to this **policy**, we will additionally not pay:

- 12.2.19 any compensation costs and expenses if you are deemed responsible for any claims under laws outside any country other than the agreed countries.
- 12.2.20 claims in respect of any judgment, award, payment, costs and expenses or settlement delivered, made or incurred elsewhere other than in a court of law in the **United Kingdom** or any order made in any foreign jurisdiction to enforce a judgment either in whole or in part elsewhere other than in the **United Kingdom**.

### 12.3 Conditions under this section

- 12.3.1 No admission, offer, promise, payment or indemnity shall be made by or on behalf of you without our prior written consent.
- 12.3.2 You agree to provide us any information connected with the claim that we ask for, including details of your pet's history.
- 12.3.3 You agree to help us find out details of the incident that results in a claim or provide us with written statements and go to court if needed.

- 12.3.4. You or your legal representatives will give us written notice immediately if you have received notice of any prosecution or inquest in connection with any circumstances which may give rise to liability under this section.
- Every claim notice, letter, writ or process or other document served on you shall be forwarded to us immediately upon receipt.
- 12.3.6. We shall be entitled to take over and conduct in your name the defence or settlement of any claim or to prosecute in your name for our own benefit any claim for indemnity or damages against all other parties or persons.
- 12.3.7. We may at any time pay you in connection with any claim or series of claims the maximum benefit as shown on your schedule (after deduction of any sums already paid as compensation) or any lesser amount for which such claim(s) can be settled. Once this payment is made we shall relinquish the conduct and control and be under no further liability in connection with such claim(s) except for the payment of costs and expenses recoverable or incurred prior to the date of such payment.

## How to claim for Section 12 - Third Party Liability (Applicable to dogs only)

- You must inform us immediately of any accident or injury that your pet causes.
- Contact us and wait for written instructions from us. We will send you a third party liability claim form.
- Please complete it as fully as possible including details of any household contents insurance that you may have. This will assist us in processing your claim.
- 4. You must immediately forward original copies of written summons or any other legal document you receive and you must never send any replies to any of these documents.

### General Conditions **Section 13**

#### Policy literature

Please contact **us** should **you** require any of **our** literature to be made available in a different format.

Your policy contains a number of conditions. Some of these explain obligations between you and us whilst others impose duties upon you. If you do not comply with these requirements we may reject a claim; reduce your claim settlement or cancel this insurance.

You must check your schedule carefully when you receive it to ensure all your details are correct and contact us immediately if there have been any changes to the information that you provided to us when you took out your pet insurance policy with us.

The terms of your policy and premium are based on the information you have provided, if there are changes to this information you should tell us as soon as possible by calling the Customer Service department on 0345 602 4797. Any changes will be reviewed by us and if accepted may result in revised policy terms and/or a change in the premium.

#### The law applying to this contract

This **policy** will be **governed** by English law and **you** and **we** agree to submit to the courts of England and Wales to determine any dispute arising under or in connection with it.

The terms and conditions of this **policy** will only be available in English and all communication relating to this **policy** will be in English.

#### Fraud

All benefits under this **policy** will be lost if **you** or **your** family or anyone acting on behalf of **you** or **your** family are found to have intentionally acted dishonestly or exaggerated any information or claims or provided false documentation in order to obtain or support:

a claims payment under your policy; or cover for which you do not qualify; or cover at a reduced premium.

The policy will be invalid and cancelled and **you** will not be entitled to a refund of premium and legal action may be taken against **you**.

#### Taking care of your pet

- Take proper care of your pet. This includes taking it for regular vaccinations as recommended by your vet (distemper, infectious canine hepatitis, leptospirosis and canine parvovirus for dogs and feline infectious enteritis, feline influenza and feline leukaemia for cats) which you must pay for. Homeopathic vaccines are not acceptable.
- You must arrange for a vet to examine and treat your pet as soon as possible after it has shown early signs of an injury or illness.

 You must take your pet for regular dental examinations undertaken by your vet, which you must pay for.

#### **Premiums**

- Your pet is only covered under this policy if you pay your premiums in full and on time. The policy is an annual contract of insurance where premiums may be paid monthly.
- If you pay the yearly premium in instalments and you
  miss an instalment, we will write to you requesting
  any outstanding payments be brought up to date
  within 14 days of receipt. We will also notify you that
  if payment is not received within 14 days, your policy
  will be cancelled with immediate effect.
- If the monthly payment option is chosen, claims will be paid on the condition that the remaining monthly premiums for that period of insurance will still be collected.

#### Collection details

With policies paid by direct debit, the first premium will be charged approximately 8 working days after receipt of your direct debit mandate unless specified otherwise. With both monthly credit cards and direct debit payers, the first two premiums may be charged within the second month.

#### Direct debit guarantee

This guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that take part in the Direct Debit Scheme. The efficiency and security of the scheme is monitored and protected by your own bank or building society. If the amount to be paid or the payment date change, Pet Protect Limited will notify you 14 days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If an error is made by Pet Protect Limited or your bank or building society, you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your branch of the amount paid. You can cancel a direct debit at any time by writing to your bank or building society but please also send a copy of your letter to us.

#### Policy renewal

 On expiry, your policy will be automatically renewed unless you have informed us that you do not wish us to do this. For automatically renewed policies and all policies which are paid by monthly instalments we will retain your payment details in order to continue to deduct premiums when your policy is renewed. We will write to you within reasonable time before your policy expires to remind you that the policy will be automatically renewed and to inform you of any changes to the content of your policy with full details of your next year's premium, excess and your contribution.

#### General terms

- Any communication between you and us will be sent to the address given to us at the start of your policy. It is your responsibility to inform us of any change of address
- Purchasing this policy does not affect your statutory rights.
- We may record your telephone calls with our representatives to monitor and improve the quality of the service we provide.
- 4. Our liability to make any payment under this policy shall be conditional upon your observance of all terms, provisions, conditions and endorsements of this policy. Where you do not comply with any obligation to act in a certain way specified in this policy, this may prejudice your position to recover under any claim.

It is a fundamental condition that you shall at all times comply with all terms and conditions of this policy that require you to act or not act in a particular way as specified. Failure to comply will result in you for

#### Sanction Limitation and Exclusion Clause

We will not provide cover nor 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 us or any member of our group to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of any country.

#### **Privacy and Data Protection**

- The information we hold about you will be held in accordance with the Data Protection Act and any other data protection regulations applicable. We will use the information from your policy for the purpose of providing you with insurance services and additional products and services in relation to the insurance being provided. We accept fully our responsibility to protect the privacy of customers and the confidentiality and security of information entrusted to us.
  - The information provided by or on behalf of you when the policy was taken out, together with other information, will be used by Pet Protect Limited and us and our subsidiaries. This information will be used for administration of your policy and customer service. We may disclose your information to our service providers and agents for these purposes.

It may also be used for the purpose of fraud prevention including passing details to other insurers and regulatory bodies. **You** have provided information in connection with the purchase and performance of this insurance policy and **you** have consented to the processing of the personal data, including sensitive personal data.

Unless you have informed us otherwise, we may contact you by mail or telephone to let you know about any goods, services or promotions that may be of interest to you and/or share your information with organisations that are our trusted business partners. If you ask us, we will tell you what information we hold about you and provide it in accordance with applicable law. Any information which is found to be incorrect will be corrected promptly.

Your communication with us may be monitored and/ or recorded either directly by us or by reputable

- organisations selected by us, to ensure consistent servicing levels and account operation. **We** will keep information about **you** only for so long as it is appropriate and in compliance with the provisions of the Data Protection regulations.
- If your vet sends us your claim electronically, settlement to you by BACS is only available if you provide your account details to your vet for onward transmission to us.
- Where personal information is provided about another person, you are required to inform that person of our identity, and why their personal information will be processed and disclosed. You are also required to obtain their consent to the processing of their personal information in this way.
- Personal information is used:
  - to administer the policy, including underwriting, renewal information, validation of claims history and claims handling;
  - for research, analysis, statistic creation, and customer profiling;
  - c) to contact you by post, telephone, fax or e-mail about our other products and services on offer and other selected partners unless you have previously asked us not to use the relevant personal information for such purposes. If you do not wish for the information to be used for these purposes you must notify us in writing at the address below.
- 4. Personal information may be disclosed to:
  - a) other members of the Newline Insurance Company Ltd;
  - other insurance entities interested in the risk written under this policy;
  - agents and service providers appointed by us to carry out activities in connection with the policy;
  - d) credit reference and fraud databases;
  - e) law enforcement and other statutory bodies;
  - f) potential purchasers of the whole or part of **our** business.
- If false or inaccurate information is provided and fraud is suspected this fact will be recorded and the information will be available to other organisations that have access to the fraud databases.
- From time to time, we may transfer your information to our subsidiaries in countries outside the European Economic Area. We will ensure that such transfers comply with the data protection law and the personal information is kept securely and protected from unauthorised access.
- We maintain protections and procedures in the storage and disclosure of personal information to keep it secure and prevent unauthorised access to or loss of such information.
- We may monitor and record all communications with you for compliance and training purposes.
- Should you wish to see the information held, have any queries in relation to the way such information is used or discover any inaccuracies, you should write to the Data Protection Officer at:

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