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# **FAQs**

# Am I covered if I leave my car unlocked or the keys in the car?

We will not pay a claim if your car is:

- left unlocked;
- left with keys or key fobs in, on, or attached;
- left with the engine running;
- left with a window or roof open.

## How much will you pay if my car is damaged?

If your car is damaged, we will pay the cost of repairing or replacing your vehicle up to its UK market value.

This is the current value of the vehicle at the time of the claim – and it may be different to the amount you paid or any amounts we spoke about when you insured your vehicle with us.

## Am I covered if I drive other cars?

We will cover you for damage caused to third parties whilst you are driving cars that are not your own, provided you meet certain conditions (see Section A).

This cover does not include damage to the car you are driving and applies only to the policyholder and not to any named drivers on the policy.

Your certificate of insurance will show if you have this benefit.

# How does my No Claim Discount work? No Claim Discount (NCD)

If no claim is made against your policy, your NCD and renewal premium if applicable will be adjusted in accordance with our NCD scale applicable at the renewal date. However, if a claim is made against your policy, we may reduce your NCD.

NCD at the start of the period of insurance:	NCD at the next renewal date following:		
	1 claim	2 claims	3+ claims
0 years	Nil	Nil	Nil
1 year	Nil	Nil	Nil
2 years	Nil	Nil	Nil
3 years	1 year	Nil	Nil
4 years	2 years	Nil	Nil
5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 years	3 years	1 year	Nil

## No Claim Discount Protection

If you are eligible, this will be subject to payment of an additional premium. For information, including step back tables, please refer to your other documents.

# **FAQs** continued

## What changes do I need to tell you about?

You must tell us if any of the following details change <u>before you</u> <u>need cover to start</u>:

- you change your car;
- you modify your car (please see general condition 8 for further details);
- you add another driver to your policy or amend the driving restriction;
- you change the use of your car (e.g. change from social domestic and pleasure to business use);
- you wish to increase your cover (e.g. change from third party only to comprehensive).

You must tell us <u>immediately</u> if any of the following details change:

- the address where you normally keep your car;
- if you, or anyone covered by this policy change jobs, including part time;
- if you, or anyone covered by this policy passes their UK driving test.

Any change during the period of insurance may result in an additional or return premium and will be subject to an administration fee. See general condition 4 for further details. You must tell us about the following changes <u>before the next</u> <u>renewal date</u> (or at the time you are making any of the changes already mentioned) if you or anyone covered by this policy have:

- had insurance cancelled by an insurer. This includes a policy declared null and void (as though it has never existed), a renewal declined by an insurer or a policy cancelled by an insurer due to, but not restricted to, non-payment, fraud or misrepresentation;
- had any accidents, thefts or losses (whether a claim was reported or not and regardless of blame);
- had any motoring convictions (including penalty points, fixed penalties, speed camera offences and disqualifications), pending prosecutions, outstanding police enquiries, criminal convictions or charges for a criminal offence;
- any physical or mental impairment that must be notified to the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) or the Driver and Vehicle Agency Northern Ireland (DVANI).

Failure to provide correct information or inform us of any changes could adversely affect your policy, including invalidating your policy or claims being rejected or not fully paid.

Making a change to your policy?

Call: **0345 877 6464** 

## How does your uninsured driver promise work?

If you make a claim for an accident that is not your fault and the driver of the car that hits your car is not insured, you will not lose your No Claim Discount with Volkswagen Car Insurance or have to pay any excess.

### **Conditions**

We will need:

- the car registration number and the make and model of the car; and
- the driver's details, if possible.

It also helps us to confirm who is at fault if you can get the names and addresses of any independent witnesses, if available.

When you claim, you may have to pay your excess. Also, if when your renewal is due, investigations are still ongoing, you may lose your No Claim Discount temporarily. However, once we confirm that the accident was the fault of the uninsured driver, we will repay your excess, restore your No Claim Discount and refund any extra premium you have paid.

This promise is for comprehensive policy holders only.

## How does your vandalism promise work?

If you make a claim for damage to your car that is a result of vandalism, which is damage caused by a malicious and deliberate act, you will not lose your No Claim Discount with Volkswagen Car Insurance.

#### Conditions

 You pay the Accidental Damage excess applicable to the policyholder.

Please refer to your schedule for excess amounts.

- The incident is reported to the police and assigned a crime reference number.
- The damage has not been caused by another vehicle.

When you claim you will have to pay the excess. Once we receive your claim, you may lose your No Claim Discount, until we are supplied with a relevant crime reference number.

This promise is for comprehensive policy holders only. Please remember that vandalism should be reported to your local police station unless you are reporting it immediately as an emergency.

# Your policy wording

This policy booklet gives full details of your cover. You should read it along with your motor proposal confirmation, certificate of motor insurance, schedule and if relevant to you, any Telematics Terms and Conditions we have provided you with. Please keep all your documents in a safe place.

Your policy is made up of:

- the motor proposal confirmation;
- this policy booklet from pages 6 to 27;
- the certificate of motor insurance;
- the schedule; and
- any Telematics Terms and Conditions we have provided you with, if we have asked you to install a Telematics Device to your car.

We aim to always be fair and reasonable and to act quickly whenever you need to make a claim under this policy. If you feel we have not met this promise, we will try to do everything possible to deal with your complaint quickly and fairly.

This policy is evidence of the contract between you and us, U K Insurance Limited, based on information you have given to us.

In return for receiving and accepting the premium, we will provide insurance under this policy for the sections shown in the schedule as applying for the accident, injury, loss or damage which has happened in the territorial limits during the period of insurance.

Under European law, you and we may choose which law will apply to this contract. English law will apply unless you and we agree otherwise.

If you are resident in Jersey, Guernsey or the Isle of Man, the law of the island where you are resident applies to your policy and any dispute in relation to it will be within the jurisdiction of that island's relevant court.

We have supplied this Agreement and other information to you in English and we will continue to communicate with you in English.

We have not given you a personal recommendation as to whether the policy is suitable for your needs and just to let you know our consultants may receive a bonus if you purchase any cover with us.

# **Policy definitions**

Wherever the following words or expressions appear in **your policy**, they have the meaning given here unless **we** say differently.

**Accessories** – parts or products specifically designed to be fitted to **your car**. We may treat some accessories as **modifications**, so please tell **us** about any alterations to **your car**.

**Approved repairer** – a repairer in **our** network of contracted repairers, who is approved by **us** to perform repairs to **your car** following a claim under section B and C of this **policy**.

**Volkswagen approved repairer** – a repairer in **our** network of contracted repairers, who is approved by Volkswagen and authorised by **us** to repair **your car** following a claim under section B or section C of this **policy**.

**Approved windscreen supplier** – a repairer **we** have approved and authorised to repair or replace **your** windscreen as shown on **your schedule** and **certificate of motor insurance**.

**Certificate of motor insurance** – this document provides evidence that **you** have taken out the insurance **you** must have by law. It identifies who can drive **your car** and the purposes for which **your car** can be used.

**Convertible** – these are motor vehicles in which the roof is removable and/or can retract and are often referred to as cabriolets, roadsters and/or soft/hard tops.

**Convictions** – these include all motoring convictions, penalty points, fixed penalties, speed camera offences and disqualifications.

Excess – the amount you must pay towards any claim.

**Loss of any limb** – severance at or above the wrist or ankle, or the total and irrecoverable loss of use of a hand, arm, foot or leg.

Market value – the cost of replacing your car with another of the same make and model and of a similar age and condition at the time of the accident or loss.

**Misfuelling** – the accidental filling of the fuel tank with inappropriate fuel for **your car**.

**Modifications** – any changes to **your car's** standard specification, including optional extras. These include, but are not restricted to, changes to the appearance and/or the performance of **your car** (including wheels, suspension, bodywork and engine) and include changes made to **your car** by the previous owner(s).

**Motor proposal confirmation** – the document recording the statements made and information **you** gave or which was given for **you** when **you** bought **your policy**.

**Partner** – **your** husband, wife or someone **you** are living with as if **you** are married to them.

**Period of Insurance** – as shown on the **certificate of motor insurance** or **schedule**.

**Policy** – this policy booklet, **schedule**, **motor proposal confirmation** and **certificate of motor insurance**.

**Road Traffic Act** – any Acts, laws or regulations, which govern the driving or use of any motor vehicle in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

**Schedule** – the document that identifies the policyholder and sets out details of the cover **your policy** provides.

# **Policy definitions continued**

**Terms** – all terms, exceptions, conditions and limits which apply to **your policy**.

**Track day** – when **your car** is driven on a racing track, on an airfield or at an off-road event.

**Trailer** – any form of trailer that has been specially built to be towed by a motor car.

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**You**, **your** – the person named as the policyholder in the **schedule**. If section H is included on the **schedule**, this definition is extended under that section to include authorised drivers as shown in the **certificate of motor insurance** and any passengers.

**Your car** – the car described in the current **schedule**. In section B 'Damage to your car' and section C 'Fire and theft', the term 'car' also includes its **accessories** and spare parts, whether they are on or in the car, or in **your** locked private garage.

# Section A Liability to other people

## 1a. Cover for you

**We** will cover **you** for **your** legal liability to other people arising from an accident which involves **your car** and:

- you kill or injure someone;
- you damage someone else's property.

This cover also applies to an accident involving a **trailer** or vehicle **you** are towing.

## 1b. Driving other cars

If your certificate of motor insurance says so, this policy provides the same cover as above in 1a when you are driving any other motor car as long as you do not own it and it is not hired to you under a hirepurchase or leasing agreement. This cover only applies if:

- there is no other insurance in force which covers the same liability;
- you have the owner's permission to drive the car;
- the car is registered in and being driven in Great Britain,
   Northern Island, the Republic of Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands; and
- you still have your car and it has not been damaged beyond cost-effective repair.

Note – There is no cover under clause 1b for damage, fire or theft to the car **you** are driving.

# 2. Cover for other people

We will also provide the cover under section 1a for:

- anyone insured by this policy to drive your car, as long as they have your permission;
- anyone you allow to use but not drive your car;

- anyone who is in or getting into or out of your car;
- the employer or business partner of anyone covered by this section while your car is being used for business purposes provided your certificate of motor insurance allows business use: or
- the legal personal representative of anyone covered under this section if that person dies.

## 3. Costs and expenses

## a. Legal costs

If there is an accident covered by this **policy**, **we** have the option entirely at **our** discretion to pay the reasonable legal costs and/ or expenses to defend or represent **you** or any driver covered by this **policy**:

- at a coroner's inquest or fatal accident inquiry; and/or
- in criminal proceedings arising out of the accident.

We must agree to all legal costs and/or expenses beforehand.

If we agree to pay such legal costs and/or expenses, we will advise you as to the extent of any assistance we will give.

## b. Emergency medical treatment

We will pay for emergency treatment fees as set out in the Road Traffic Act. If we make a payment under this section only, it will not affect your no claim discount.

## 4. Payments made outside the terms of the policy

If **we** must make a payment because the laws of any country require **us** to do so, **we** may recover from **you**, or the person who is liable any payment that is not covered by this **policy**. This includes any amount that **we** would not otherwise be required to pay as a result of **your** failure to provide accurate information.

# **Exceptions to Section A**

#### What is not covered

We will not cover:

- loss of or damage to any car you drive or any trailer or vehicle you tow;
- anyone who has other insurance covering the same liability;
- death or injury to anyone while they are working with or for the driver of the car; except as set out in the Road Traffic Act;
- damage caused by any driver insured by this policy to any property they own or are responsible for;
- liability for more than £20,000,000 for any claim or series of claims for loss of or damage to property including any indirect loss or damage caused by one event (including all costs and expenses);
- liability caused by acts of terrorism as defined in the Terrorism Act 2000 (UK) and/or the Anti-Terrorism and Crime Act 2003 (Isle of Man) except as is strictly required under the Road Traffic Act;
- legal costs or expenses related to charges connected with speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or for parking offences;
- any injury, legal liability, loss or destruction of or damage to any property or any associated loss or expense that arises directly or indirectly as a result of;
  - a. grinding, cutting, welding or soldering operations and/or b. use of blow lamps or torches on or in **your car**.

# Section B Damage to your car

### What is covered

If your car is damaged, we have the option to:

- pay to repair the damage or repair the damage ourselves;
- replace what is lost or damaged, if this is more cost-effective than repairing it; or
- settle **your** claim by sending **you** a cheque or by bank transfer.

## The most we will pay

We will not pay more than the market value of your car at the time of the loss (less any excess that may apply).

#### What is not covered

- the draining, flushing and replenishing of the fuel from your car, in the event of misfuelling.
- the sum of all excesses shown on the schedule. These may include
  the 'own damage' excesses and 'young or inexperienced driver'
  excesses if these apply. An inexperienced driver is a person who
  has held a full UK or EU driving licence for less than one year.

# Section C Fire and theft

### What is covered

If your car is lost or damaged as a result of theft, attempted theft, fire, lightning or explosion, we have the option to:

- pay to repair the damage or repair the damage ourselves;
- replace what is lost or damaged if this is more cost-effective than repairing it; or
- settle **your** claim by sending **you** a cheque or by bank transfer.

## The most we will pay

We will not pay more than the market value of your car at the time of the loss (less any excess that may apply).

### What is not covered

- the excess shown in the schedule, unless your car is stolen from a private locked garage;
- loss or damage to your car as a result of someone acquiring it by fraud or trickery while pretending to be a buyer;
- loss or damage caused by theft or attempted theft if the keys and/or other devices which unlock your car and/or enables your car to be started and driven are left in or on your car which is unattended, or if your car has been left unattended and not properly locked (this includes any window, roof opening, removable roof panel or hood being left open or unlocked);
- loss or damage caused by theft or attempted theft to readily removable in-car electronic equipment unless it is in a glove compartment or a locked boot. In which case we will provide cover up to the amount shown in the schedule;
- loss or damage if any security or tracking device, which we insist is fitted to your car, has not been set or is not in full working order;
- loss or damage if the network subscription, for any tracking device which we insist is fitted to your car, is not current and operable; or
- loss or damage if the driver recognition device for any tracking device which we insist is fitted to your car, is left in or on your car whilst unattended.

# Section D Windscreen damage

#### What is covered

## We will pay to:

- replace or repair broken glass in the windscreen, sunroof
  or windows of your car, and repair any scratching to the
  bodywork caused by the broken glass, as long as there has not
  been any other loss or damage to your car; or
- replace the roof and rear windscreen assembly together if your car is fitted with a folding roof and it is more cost-effective than replacing the glass alone.

Claims under this section will not affect your no claim discount.

# The most we will pay

We will not pay more than the market value of your car at the time of the loss (less any excess that may apply).

#### What is not covered

- the excess shown in the schedule; or
- any amount greater than the limit shown in the schedule if you do not use an approved windscreen supplier.

# Exceptions which apply to Sections B, C and D

#### What is not covered

- loss or damage caused by wear and tear or loss of value;
- any part of a repair or replacement which improves your car beyond its condition before the loss or damage took place;
- any mechanical, electrical or computer failure, breakdown or breakage;
- damage to tyres caused by braking, punctures, cuts or bursts;
- damage caused by pressure waves from an aircraft or other flying object travelling at or beyond the speed of sound;
- deliberate damage caused to your car by anyone insured under this policy;
- loss of use or other indirect loss such as travel costs or loss of earnings;
- loss or damage to any trailer or vehicle, or their contents, while being towed by your car;
- loss or damage to your car if, at the time of the incident, it was being driven or used without your permission by someone in your family or someone who is living with you (this exception does not apply if the person driving is reported to the police for taking your car without your permission);

- any amount over that shown in the schedule for loss of or damage to permanently fitted in-car audio, television, phone, CB radio, games-console or electronic-navigation equipment (if the equipment is part of your car specification when first registered, we will provide unlimited cover);
- loss or damage to any speed assessment equipment detection device;
- loss or damage due to any government, public or local authority legally taking, keeping or destroying your car;
- any reduction to the market value of your car as a result of it being repaired.

# Conditions which apply to Sections B, C and D

# 1. Hire-purchase, leasing and other agreements

If your car is currently on a hire purchase or financing agreement (except leasing) we will settle the claim by paying the legal owner. We will only pay you any remaining balance once the claim of the legal owner has been settled in full. If your car is on a leasing agreement, we will settle the claim by paying the legal owner.

## 2. Parts

We will repair your car with parts which have been made by your car's manufacturer if your car is a Volkswagen vehicle and repaired by a Volkswagen approved repairer. If any part or accessory is not available, the most we will pay for that part will be the cost shown in the manufacturer's last United Kingdom price list (plus reasonable fitting costs).

## 3. Removing and delivering your car

If your car cannot be driven as a result of loss or damage covered under this policy, we will pay the reasonable cost of taking it to the nearest suitable repairer. We will also pay the reasonable cost of delivering your car to you at the address shown in the schedule after it has been repaired.

**We** may put **your car** in safe storage, before it is repaired, sold or taken for scrap. **We** will pay the reasonable cost of storage.

Following an accident, **we** will help **you** and **your** passengers make arrangements to get home, to **your** original destination or take **you** to a safe place.

## 4. Repairs

If our approved repairers carry out the repairs, you do not need an estimate. Repairs carried out by our approved repairers are guaranteed for three years unless you sell your car.

You can arrange for reasonable and necessary repairs to be carried out at a repairer of your choice. However, you must give us full details of the incident and we must approve the detailed repair estimate before the work begins. Unless repairs are carried out by our approved repairers they are NOT guaranteed by us even though we may pay for those repairs directly.

# 5. Uneconomical repairs

If your car is uneconomical to repair (written off) and we agree to settle your claim on that basis, you still owe the full yearly premium as we will have met all our responsibilities to you under the policy. Once we settle your claim, your car will become our property and you must send us the registration document. All cover will then end unless we agree differently.

We will not refund any of your premium.

# Section E Personal accident

#### What is covered

We will pay you or your legal representatives if you or your partner are accidentally injured while travelling in or getting into or out of any car, and this injury alone results within three calendar months of the date of the accident, in:

- death;
- total irrecoverable loss of sight in one or both eyes; or
- loss of any limb.

We will pay the benefit shown in the schedule.

#### What is not covered

We will not cover:

- any injury or death resulting from suicide or attempted suicide;
- anyone who is convicted for driving while under the influence of drink or drugs at the time of the accident; or
- an injured person under this **policy** if **we** insure them against personal accident under any other car insurance policy.

The most **we** will pay in any period of insurance is one benefit shown in the **schedule**.

# Section F Other benefits

## 1. Medical expenses

We will pay medical expenses up to the amount shown in the schedule for each person injured if your car is in an accident, as long as there is no cover in force under another car insurance policy.

## 2. Personal belongings

We will pay for loss of, or damage to, clothing and personal belongings caused by fire, theft, attempted theft or accident, while they are in or on your car. The most we will pay for any one incident is the amount shown in the schedule. If you ask us to pay someone else, we will have no further responsibility to you once we have done so.

#### What is not covered

We will not cover loss of or damage to:

- money, credit or debit cards, stamps, tickets, vouchers, documents, securities (such as share and Premium Bond certificates), goods or samples carried in connection with any trade or business; or
- property insured under any other policy.

## 3. Hotel expenses

If your car cannot be driven after an accident or loss covered under section B of this **policy**, we will pay up to £150 for the driver (or £250 in total for all the people in the car) towards the cost of hotel expenses for an overnight stay if this is necessary.

### 4. New car cover

If your car is less than one year old and you are the first and only registered owner (or you have hired it under a lease hire or hirepurchase agreement), we will replace it with one of the same make and model if it has:

- been stolen and not found; or
- suffered damage covered by the policy and the cost of repairing is more than 60% of the last United Kingdom list price, (including taxes).

We can only do this if a replacement car is available in the UK and anyone else who has an interest in your car agrees.

If a suitable replacement car is not available, or **your car** was not supplied as new in the UK, **we** will pay **you** the **market value** of **your car** at the time of the loss (less any **excess** that may apply). If **we** settle a claim under this clause, the lost or damaged car becomes **our** property and **you** must send **us** the registration document.

# 5. Child car seats

If you have a child car seat fitted to your car and your car is involved in an accident, damaged by fire or theft or stolen and not recovered, we will cover you for the cost of replacing the child car seat with a new one of a similar standard, even if there is no apparent damage.

# Section G Territorial limits and foreign use

#### 1. Territorial limits

This **policy** provides the cover described in **your schedule** in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and during journeys between these places.

# 2. Using your car abroad

This **policy** also provides the minimum cover **you** need by law to use **your car** in:

- any country which is a member of the European Union; and
- Jersey, Guernsey, Isle of Man and any country listed below which the Commission of the European Community approves as meeting the requirements of Article 8 of EC Directive 2009/103/EC on Insurance of Civil Liabilities arising from using motor vehicles.

#### Countries included:

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

# 3. Extending your policy cover abroad

For an extra premium, **your policy** can be extended to provide the same level of cover as **you** have in the territorial limits for an agreed period. **Your car** will also be covered during journeys between those countries by a recognised carrier.

Cover in these countries only applies if **your** permanent home is in the United Kingdom and **your** visit abroad is for less than 90 days in a **period of insurance**.

## 4. Customs duty

If you have to pay customs duty on your car in any of the countries covered in paragraph 2 because of repairs covered under your policy, we will pay these costs for you.

# Section H Uninsured loss recovery (optional extra)

This section only applies if it is shown on **your schedule**. This cover can be used if **you** have a road traffic accident for which **you** are not to blame that involves **your car**. **We** will pay the **costs** to help **you** claim from the person who was responsible for the accident.

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions apply to this section and are in addition to those shown on pages 7 and 8 of the policy.

**Appointed representative** – The **preferred law firm**, solicitor, or other suitably qualified person appointed by **us** to represent **you** under this section of the policy.

#### Costs -

- a) All properly incurred, reasonable and proportionate legal fees, expenses and disbursements charged by the appointed representative and agreed by us. Legal fees, expenses and disbursements will be assessed on the standard basis or in accordance with any fixed recoverable costs scheme, if applicable.
- b) The fees incurred by your opponent which you are ordered to pay by a court and any other fees we agree to in writing.

Court - Court, tribunal or other suitable authority.

**Preferred law firm** – The law firm **we** choose to provide legal services. These legal specialists are chosen as they have the expertise to deal with **your** claim and must comply with **our** agreed service standards.

### Reasonable prospects of success -

We and the appointed representative agree that there is a better than 50% chance that you will:

- a) obtain a successful judgment; and
- b) recover your losses or damages or obtain any other legal remedy we agree to, including an enforcement of judgment, making a successful appeal or defence of an appeal.

Terms of appointment – A separate contract which we will require the appointed representative to enter into with us if the appointed representative is not a preferred law firm. This contract sets out the amounts we will pay the appointed representative under your policy and their responsibilities to report to us at various stages of the claim.

**Territorial limits** – Jersey, Guernsey, Isle of Man and any country which the Commission of the European Community approves as meeting the requirements of Article 8 of EC Directive 2009/103/EC on Insurance of Civil Liabilities arising from using motor vehicles.

#### What is covered

This cover can be used if **you** have a road traffic accident for which **you** are not to blame that involves **your car**.

**We** will pay the **costs** to help **you** claim from the person who was responsible for the accident.

Cover will be provided under Section H – Uninsured Loss Recovery as long as:

- a. we and your appointed representative agree your claim has reasonable prospects of success for the duration of the claim.
- b. at the time of the incident, your car is being used by a person identified in, and for a purpose allowed by, your certificate of motor insurance;
- c. the incident happens within the territorial limits and during a period cover was in force; and
- d. any legal proceedings will be carried out within the territorial limits by a court.

The most we will pay, including any appeal or counterclaim, for all claims that arise from the same incident is £100,000 (including VAT).

## Examples of what you may claim for include:

- compensation for your death or injury;
- loss of earnings;
- Accident repair costs if you do not have comprehensive cover; or
- damage to any property in your car which you own or are legally responsible for.

# Exceptions which apply to Section H - Uninsured Loss Recovery cover

See also the general exceptions which apply to the whole policy. Any claim arising from or relating to:

- a) costs that relate to the period before we accept your claim;
- b) fines, penalties, compensation or damages which you are ordered to pay by a court;
- c) a dispute with **us** about this section of the policy other than as shown under 'How to complain' on page 35;
- d) loss or damage that is insured under another section of this policy or any other insurance policy;
- e) any appeal where **we** did not provide cover for the original claim; or
- f) incidents which begin before the cover started;

Conditions which apply to Section H – Uninsured Loss Recovery cover

See also the general conditions which apply to the whole policy. General conditions 2, 3 and 4 on page 27 do not apply to Section H – Uninsured Loss Recovery

## 1) Observing the policy terms

**You** must comply with all of the terms and conditions of this policy, take all reasonable precautions to minimise the cost of claims and to prevent a claim from happening.

If **our** position is prejudiced as a result of **you** not observing any of the terms and conditions of this policy, **we** have the right to:

- refuse or withdraw from any claim;
- refuse to pay costs we have already agreed to meet; and
- claim back from you costs that we have paid.
- 2) Reporting your claim
- a) **You** must report full and factual details of **your** claim to **us** within a reasonable time of it happening.
- b) You must send us any information that we ask for that is reasonable and relevant to your claim (you must pay any charges involved in providing this information).
- 3) Choosing an appointed representative
- a) You have the right to choose an appointed representative to safeguard your interests from the time you have the right to make a claim under this policy. This includes the right to choose the solicitor to serve your interest in any inquiry or proceedings or if a conflict of interests arises.

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- b) If you choose an appointed representative who is not a preferred law firm they must agree to act for you in line with our terms of appointment (you can ask us for a copy). Cover for their costs will only commence from the date they agree to our terms of appointment.
- c) The appointed representative will enter into a separate contract of appointment directly with you. You will be responsible for costs incurred by the appointed representative which are not authorised by the us.
- 4) Co-operating with the appointed representative and us
- a) If we ask, you must tell the appointed representative to give us any documents, information or advice that they have or know about.
- b) You must fully co-operate with the appointed representative and us, and not take any action that has not been agreed by your appointed representative or by us.
- c) You must keep us and the appointed representative continually and promptly informed of all developments relating to the claim and provide us and the appointed representative immediately with all information, evidence and documents that you have or know about.
- d) **You** must get **our** permission before instructing a barrister or an expert witness.
- e) **We** can contact the **appointed representative** at any time, and he or she must co-operate fully with **us** at all times.
- 5) Barrister's opinion

If there are conflicting opinions over **reasonable prospects of success you** will be required to obtain an opinion from a barrister; the choice of the barrister needs to be agreed between **you** and **us. You** will be responsible for paying for the opinion unless it shows that **your** claim has **reasonable prospects of success**.

# 6) Settling or ending your claim

- a) You must tell us if anyone makes a payment into court or offers to settle your claim.
- b) You must not stop, settle, negotiate or withdraw from a claim or withdraw instructions from the appointed representative without our approval. We will not withhold our approval without good reason.
- c) If an appointed representative refuses to continue acting for you with good reason, or if you dismiss them without good reason, cover for your claim will end immediately unless we agree to appoint another appointed representative.
- d) We can decide to settle your claim by paying you the compensation you are likely to be awarded by a court instead of starting or continuing your claim or legal proceedings. If your claim is not for damages, we may decide to settle your claim by paying you the equivalent financial value of your claim.
- e) We can refuse to pay further costs if you do not accept a
  payment into court, or an offer to settle a claim, which we or
  your appointed representative considers should be accepted.
- f) We can refuse to pay further costs if we or the appointed representative consider that those costs would be disproportionate to the value of the claim.
- g) You must tell us if your claim no longer has reasonable prospects of success.
- h) We can refuse to pay further costs if your claim no longer has reasonable prospects of success.

## 7) Assessing and recovering costs

- a) We have the right to have costs certified by the appropriate professional body, audited by costs draftsmen we choose or assessed by a court.
- b) You must tell your appointed representative to claim back all costs that you are entitled to. If costs we have paid are recovered, you must refund them to us.
- c) We and you will share any costs that are recovered where:
- We refused to pay further costs and you paid more costs to end your claim.
- ii) You chose to pay the difference between the costs we offered to the appointed representative under our terms of appointment and the costs charged by the appointed representative.

We and you will each receive the same percentage of the recovered costs as originally paid.

### 8. Cancellation

You can cancel this section of your policy at any time by telling us either over the phone or in writing.

- If you cancel this section before cover is due to start, we will return any premium you have paid in full.
- If you cancel this section after it has started we will return any premium paid less a charge for the number of days for which cover has been given.

**We** will not refund any premium if **you** have made a claim or if one has been made against **you** during the period of cover.

## 9. Legal Advice Helpline

**You** have access to **our** 24 hour Legal Advice Helpline for confidential expert UK legal advice on any motoring legal problem. This service provides advice only, for legal advice please contact **us** on 0345 305 3956. **You** must have brought Section H – Uninsured Loss Recovery to receive this service and legal expenses insurance cover.

# Guaranteed replacement car

# Additional definitions that apply to this section

Replacement car - Courtesy car or Hire car.

**Hire car** – a small hatchback car or similar that is supplied to **you** by the **hire car company** on a temporary basis. This car should keep **you** mobile but may not be the same as **your car** in terms of its size, type, value or status.

**Hire car company** – the company that we will instruct to provide you with the **replacement car**.

**Courtesy car** – a small hatchback car or similar that is supplied to **you** by **our approved repairer** on a temporary basis. This car should keep **you** mobile but may not be the same as **your car** in terms of its size, type, value or status.

#### What is covered

If you make a claim under section B or C of your policy, we will arrange for a replacement car to be supplied to you, unless the wording under the heading "The most we will pay" opposite applies.

If your car is being repaired by our approved repairer, we will arrange for a replacement car to be supplied to you whilst those repairs are carried out.

If **your car** is being repaired by **your** own repairer we will arrange for a **hire car** to be supplied to you for up to 21 days in a row.

If your car is not repairable (written off) or stolen and not recovered, we will arrange for a replacement car to be supplied to you for:

- up to 21 days in a row; or
- up to 7 days after the first or only payment has been issued to you in settlement of your claim whichever is the shortest.

## The most we will pay

If **we** are unable to provide you with a **replacement car** because:

- you suffer an injury during the accident which prevents you from driving; or
- your car has been professionally adapted or converted to carry a disabled driver or passenger and a suitable replacement car is not available; or
- there are no replacement cars available and no alternative cars are available for replacement, we will reimburse your travel costs (up to £50 a day and up to a maximum of £500 over the 21 days following your claim).

#### What is not covered

We will not provide a replacement car:

- for any loss which takes place outside Great Britain,
   Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands; or
- if you are only claiming for windscreen or glass damage.

## Conditions that apply to this section

- Your policy will automatically be extended to cover you, and any
  person entitled by your certificate of motor insurance to drive,
  whilst using the replacement car and is restricted to the limits on
  use and exclusions shown on the certificate of motor insurance.
   If you make a claim, you will have to pay any excess that applies
  as if the claim was made for your car.
- You may only use the replacement car in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands, unless the replacement car company gives you permission and appropriate insurance cover for use elsewhere.
- 3. You will be given a copy of the replacement car company's terms and conditions when you receive the replacement car. If there is any difference between our terms and the terms and conditions of the replacement car company, our terms will apply.
- 4. All requests for the reimbursement of travel costs will need to be substantiated with documentary evidence otherwise we may not be able to reimburse you.
- 5. You may be charged a refundable deposit, when you take delivery of the replacement car. The deposit will be refunded on return of the replacement car to us, subject to our terms and conditions.

# **General exceptions**

# General exceptions which apply to sections A to H

You are not covered for any of the following:

# 1. Who uses your car

**We** will not cover any injury, loss, damage or liability which takes place while **your car** is being:

- driven by any person not described as entitled to drive by the certificate of motor insurance or schedule;
- used for any purpose not allowed by the certificate of motor insurance or schedule;
- driven by someone who does not have a valid driving licence or is disqualified from holding or obtaining such a licence or is breaking the conditions of their driving licence.

This exception does not apply if your car is:

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

#### 2. Contracts

**We** will not cover any legal liability that arises as a result of **you** entering into any agreement or contract, unless **you** would have been liable even without such an agreement or contract.

# 3. Radioactivity

**We** will not cover any loss or damage to property or any direct or indirect loss, expense or liability caused or contributed to by:

- ionising radiation or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or waste; or
- the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of nuclear equipment or its nuclear parts.

### 4. War

**We** will not cover any injury, loss, damage or liability caused by war, invasion, revolution or a similar event except as is strictly required under the **Road Traffic Act**.

### 5. Riot

**We** will not cover any loss or damage caused by riot or civil commotion outside Great Britain, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands. This exception does not apply to section A of this **policy**.

## 6. Use on airfields

**We** will not cover any injury, loss, damage or liability caused by using **your car** in any area where aircraft are normally found to be landing, taking off, moving or parked.

## 7. Pollution

**We** will not cover any injury, loss, damage or liability caused by pollution or contamination, unless the pollution or contamination is caused by a sudden, identifiable, unexpected and accidental incident which happens during the period of insurance.

## 8. Recovery of seized cars

**We** will not cover securing the release of a motor car, other than **your car**, which has been seized by, or on behalf of, any government or public authority.

# 9. Use on Nürburgring Nordschleife

**We** will not cover any injury, loss, damage or liability whilst **your** car is being used or driven on the Nürburgring Nordschleife.

## **General conditions**

## General conditions which apply to sections A to H

## 1. Providing accurate information

We will only provide the cover set out in the **policy** if **you** keep to all the **terms** and conditions of the **policy**.

It is important to ensure that all information given to **us**, including relating to all drivers under the **policy**, is correct to the best of **your** knowledge. Failure to provide correct information or inform **us** of any changes could adversely affect **your policy**, including invalidating **your policy** or claims being rejected or not fully paid.

The **policy** will also include Uninsured Loss Recovery, if **you** have purchased this.

### 2. Notification of accidents and losses

You must tell us as soon as reasonably possible about any incident which may lead to a claim under this policy. If you receive any notice of prosecution, inquest or fatal accident inquiry or you are sent a writ, summons, claim or letter, you must send it to us, unanswered, as soon as possible.

This condition does not apply to section H.

# 3. Claims procedure - Our rights and your obligations

- **a. You** must not admit liability for or negotiate to settle any claim without **our** written permission.
- **b.** We are entitled to:
- take over and carry out the negotiation, defence or settlement of any claim in your name, or in the name of any other person covered by this policy;
- take proceedings in your name, or in the name of any other person covered by this policy, to get back any money we have paid under this policy.
- c. You must give us any information and help we need.
- This condition does not apply to section H.

#### 4. Administration Fee

If you make any temporary or permanent changes to your policy during the year you may have to pay an administration fee as well as any additional premium.

An administration fee may apply even though an amendment results in a return of premium to **you**. Please refer to **your schedule** for details of the administration fee.

This condition does not apply to section H.

### 5a. Cancellation by us

**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 send our cancellation letter to the latest address we have for you.

Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

- where you are required in accordance with the terms of this policy, to co-operate with us, or send us information or documentation and you fail to do so in a way that substantially affects our ability to process your claim, or deal with your policy;
- where there are changes to your circumstances which mean you no longer meet our criteria for providing motor insurance;
- where you have used threatening or abusive behaviour or language or you have intimidated or bullied our staff or suppliers.

If we cancel your policy we will return the premium paid less the amount for the period the policy has been in force. If you have made a claim or if one has been made against you and we cancel your policy, we will return the premium paid, less a charge for the number of days for which cover has been given. If you are a resident of Northern Ireland, Isle of Man or the Channel Islands you must return the certificate of motor insurance to us.

## 5b. Cancellation by you

**You** can cancel this **policy** at any time by telling **us** either over the phone or in writing.

Cancelling the direct debit instruction does not mean **you** have cancelled the **policy**.

- If you cancel before your policy is due to start, we will return any premium you have paid in full.
- If you cancel within 14 days of the policy starting or within 14 days of receiving your documents (whichever occurs later) we will return any premium paid less a charge for the number of days for which cover has been given.
- If you cancel after those 14 days have passed, we will return any premium paid less:
  - a charge for the number of days for which cover has been given; and
  - an administration fee as shown in your schedule.

We will not refund any premium if you have made a claim or if one has been made against you during the period of cover. If you have made a claim, or one has been made against you, the balance of the year's premium will become payable. If you are a resident of Northern Ireland, Isle of Man or the Channel Islands you must return the certificate of motor insurance to us.

## 5c. Cancellation on renewal

- If you cancel before the new period of insurance (renewal) is due to start, we will return any premium paid in full.
- If the new period of insurance (renewal) has started and you cancel within 14 days of it starting or within 14 days of receiving your documents (whichever occurs later), we will return any premium paid less a charge for the number of days for which cover has been given.

If you cancel after those 14 days have passed, we will return any
premium less a charge for the number of days for which cover has
been given and an administration fee as shown in your schedule.

We will not refund any premium if you have made a claim or if one has been made against you during the period of cover. If you have made a claim, or one has been made against you, the balance of the year's premium will become payable. If you are a resident of Northern Ireland, Isle of Man or the Channel Islands you must return the certificate of motor insurance to us.

## 5d. Suspensions

**You** can suspend this **policy** at any time by telling **us** either over the phone or in writing. Please return the **certificate of motor insurance**.

- If you suspend cover we will retain any premium paid. If you are paying by instalments, you must continue paying instalments during the period of suspension.
- If cover is suspended for 28 days or more in a row or if the policy expiry date passes during the period of suspension, you will receive a pro rata refund for the suspension period.

If cover is suspended for 27 days or less in a row and reinstated before the **policy** expiry date **we** will not refund any premium.

We will not refund any premium if you have made a claim or if one has been made against you during the period of cover. If you have made a claim, or one has been made against you, the balance of the year's premium will become payable.

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### 6. Taking care of your car

You and any person who is covered by this policy must:

- make sure your car is roadworthy;
- take all reasonable steps to protect your car and its contents from loss or damage;
- make sure you keep property left in an open or convertible car in a locked boot or locked glove compartment; and
- allow us to examine your car at any reasonable time if we ask you.

## 7. Car sharing

**Your policy** covers **you** for carrying passengers for social or similar purposes in return for payment. But it does not cover **you** if:

- your car is made or adapted to carry more than eight passengers (excluding the driver);
- you are carrying the passengers as customers of a passengercarrying business; or
- you are making a profit from the passengers' payments.

If **you** are not sure whether a car-sharing arrangement is covered by the **terms** of this **policy**, please contact **us**.

### 8. Modifications to your car

You must tell us what modifications you intend to make and obtain our agreement <u>prior</u> to making them. Modifications are changes to your car's standard specification, including optional extras. These include, but are not restricted to, changes to the appearance and/or the performance of your car (including wheels, suspension, bodywork and engine).

Failure to provide correct information or inform **us** of any changes could adversely affect **your policy**, including invalidating **your policy** or claims being rejected or not fully paid.

### 9. Fraud

You must be honest in your dealings with us at all times.

We will not pay a claim that is in any way fraudulent, false or exaggerated.

If **you**, any person insured under this **policy** or anyone acting on **your** behalf attempts to deceive **us** or knowingly makes a fraudulent, false or exaggerated claim:

- your policy may be cancelled;
- we may reject your claim and any subsequent claims;
- we may keep any premium you have paid.

# What happens if we discover fraud

**We** have the right to cancel any other products **you** hold with **us** and share information about **your** behaviour with other organisations to prevent further fraud.

**We** may also involve the relevant authorities who are empowered to bring criminal proceedings. If a fraudulent, false or exaggerated claim has been made under any other **policy you** hold with **us**, **we** may cancel this **policy**.

#### 10. Other insurance

If you have other insurance which covers the same loss, damage or liability, we will not pay more than our share of your claim. This does not apply to personal accident benefit (see section E).

# 11. If you miss a payment

If **we** have been unable to collect **your** premium on the date it is due, **we** will write to **you** in order to give **you** the opportunity to make the payment.

If the premium remains unpaid by the date **we** set out in **our** letter, **we** will give **you** 14 days' notice that **we** will cancel **your policy**, and inform **you** in writing when this cancellation has taken place. If **you** have made a claim, or one has been made against **you** before that date, then the balance of the year's premium will become payable.

# 12. If you have not paid your premium

We may refuse your claim or deduct any unpaid premiums from any claim payment we make to you.

## 13. People involved in this contract

This contract is between **you** and **us**. Nobody else has any rights they can enforce under this contract except those they have under the **Road Traffic Act**.

#### 14. Automatic renewal

When **your policy** is due for renewal, **we** may offer to renew it for **you** automatically using the payment details **you** have already given, unless **we** or **you** have advised otherwise.

We will write to you at least 21 days before your policy ends and before taking any payment to confirm your renewal premium and policy terms. If you do not want to renew your policy you must call us before your renewal date to let us know.

It is not possible to offer automatic renewal in all circumstances, for example **we** may need to discuss **your** renewal invite with **you** or **your** payment method may change.

Your renewal invite will advise if your policy will be automatically renewed or if you need to call us. If we are unable to offer renewal terms we will write to you at your last known address to let you know.

# 15. Vehicle registration

To be covered by this **policy your car** must be registered in, or be in the process of being registered in, the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

# Volkswagen Car Insurance privacy notice

## Why we need your information

We need your information and that of others you name on the policy to give you quotations, and manage your insurance policy, including underwriting and claims handling. Your information comprises of all the details we hold about you and your transactions and includes information we obtain about you from third parties. We will only collect the information we need so that we can provide you with the service you expect from us.

# How we will use your information and who we will share it with

Volkswagen Car Insurance is introduced by Volkswagen Financial Services (UK) Limited (VWFS) and underwritten by U K Insurance Limited (UKI).

During the course of our dealings with you we may need to use your information to:

- Assess financial and insurance risks,
- Prevent and detect crime including anti money laundering and financial sanctions,
- To comply with our legal and regulatory obligations,
- Develop our products, services, systems and relationships with you,
- Record your preferences in respect of products and services,
- Recover any debt, or if you have outstanding debt from previous dealings with us we will only offer you a policy upon settlement of the full outstanding amount,
- Review our records for signs of any previous fraudulent activity which may affect our ability to offer you cover.

In carrying out the actions above we may:

- Use the information we hold in our system about you and that
  of others named on the policy, for example named drives,
- Share the information with agencies that carry out certain activities on our behalf, for example those who help us underwrite your policy,
- Use and share your information with our approved suppliers
  where this is reasonably required to help deal with your claim or
  let you benefit from our replacement vehicle and policyholder
  services, including with our credit hire providers, replacement
  vehicle suppliers, vehicle repairers and legal advisors,
- Disclose some of your information and that of others named on the policy to other insurers, third party underwriters, reinsurers, credit reference, fraud prevention, regulators and law enforcement agencies and other companies that provide service to us or you.

We do not disclose your information to anyone except where:

- We have your permission,
- We are required or permitted to do so by law,
- We may transfer rights and obligations under this agreement.

VWFS and UKI will use your Personal Information to:

- confirm, update and improve their customer records;
- identify and market products and services that may be of interest to you;
- analyse and develop their relationships with you;
- help in processing any applications you may make.

### Where we transfer your information

From time to time we may require services from suppliers that are based worldwide and your information will be shared with them for the purposes of providing that service. Where we engage these suppliers we require that they apply the same levels of protection, security and confidentiality we apply. However, such information may be accessed by law enforcement agencies and other authorities to prevent and detect crime and comply with legal obligations.

#### Sensitive Information

Some of the personal information we ask you for may be sensitive personal information, as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998 (such as information about health or criminal convictions). We will not use such sensitive personal data about you or others except for the specific purpose for which you provide it and to provide the services described in your policy documents.

### Dealing with other people

It is our policy to deal with your spouse or partner who calls us on your behalf, provided they are named on the policy. Please tell us who they are when you take out your policy. If you would like someone else to deal with your policy on your behalf on a regular basis, please let us know. In some exceptional cases we may also deal with other people who call on your behalf, with your consent. If at any time you would prefer us to deal only with you, please let us know.

# Keeping you informed

We may disclose your personal information to other companies within the Volkswagen Group and other carefully selected financial

services and insurance companies we partner with, so that you can be informed of products and services which may be of interest to you. These companies are located in countries within the EEA which have equivalent data protection laws. Your personal data will not be transferred to countries outside the EEA. Details of the countries and those involved are available on request.

You may tell VWFS or UKI that you do not wish to receive information from VWFS (and its subsidiaries) or UKI about other services or products or any third party services or products. If you would prefer not to receive this information please tell VWFS or UKI when you next call, or write to VWFS at Brunswick Court, Yeomans Drive, Blakelands, Milton Keynes, MK14 5LR or U K Insurance Limited, Direct Line House, The Headrow, Leeds, LS1 8HZ.

From time to time we may need to change the way we use your information. Where we believe you may not reasonably expect such a change we will write to you. When we do so, you will have 60 days to object to the change but if we do not hear from you within that time you consent to that change.

# Fraud Prevention and Anti-Money Laundering

Please take time to read the following as it contains important information relating to the details you have given or should give to us. You should show this notice to anyone whose data has been supplied to us in connection with your policy.

To prevent and detect fraud we may at any time:

Share information with other organisations and public bodies including the police although we only do so in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998

# Volkswagen Car Insurance privacy notice continued

Check and/or file details with fraud prevention agencies and databases and if we are given false or inaccurate information and we identify fraud, we will record this. We and other organisations may also use and search these agencies and databases from the UK and other countries to:

- Help make decisions about the provision and administration of insurance, credit and related services for you and members of your household,
- Trace debtors or beneficiaries, recover debt, prevent fraud, and to manage your accounts or insurance policies,
- Check your identity to prevent money laundering, unless you provide us with other satisfactory proof of identity.

Law enforcement agencies may access and use this information. We and other organisations may also access and use this information to prevent fraud and money laundering, for example when:

- Checking applications for, and managing credit and other facilities and recovering debt,
- Checking insurance proposals and claims,
- Checking details of job applicants and employees.

We, and other organisations that may access and use information recorded by fraud prevention agencies, may do so from other countries.

We can provide the names and addresses of the agencies we use if you would like a copy of your information held by them. Please contact: **Data Protection Officer** at, UKI, Churchill Court, Westmoreland Road, Bromley, BR1 1DP quoting your reference. The agencies may charge a fee.

#### **Financial Sanctions**

We will use information about you and that of others named on policy to ensure compliance with financial sanctions in effect in the UK and internationally. This will include the checking of your information against the HM Treasury list of financial sanctions targets as well as other publically available sanctions lists. Your information and that of others named on policy may be shared with HM Treasury and other international regulators where appropriate. You may also be contacted in order to provide further details in order to ensure compliance with Financial Sanctions requirements.

## **Credit Reference Agencies**

We carry out a consumer search when any application for insurance is submitted to evaluate insurance risks. This is done only using the data that is publically accessible on your credit file (i.e. bankruptcy, CCJ and electoral roll information). Information about access to the public part of your credit file is automatically deleted after 12 months and in no way affects your ability to obtain credit.

You will have been asked to agree to this when you first contacted us but please ensure that you only provide us with sensitive information about other people with their consent.

### Access to your information

You have the right to see the information we hold about you. This is called Subject Access Request. If you would like a copy of your information, please write to:

**Data Access Team** at, UKI, Churchill Court, Westmoreland Road, Bromley, BR1 1DP quoting your reference. A fee may be payable.

#### **Motor Insurance Database**

Information relating to your policy will be added to the Motor Insurance Database (MID) managed by the Motor Insurers' Bureau (MIB). The MID and the data stored on it may be used by certain statutory and/or authorised bodies including the Police, the DVLA, the DVANI, the Insurance Fraud Bureau and other bodies permitted by law for purposes not limited to but including:

- Electronic Licensing (Tax Discs),
- · Continuous Insurance Enforcement,
- Law enforcement (prevention, detection, apprehension and/or prosecution of offenders),
- The provision of government services and/or other services aimed at reducing the level and incidence of uninsured driving.

If you are involved in a road traffic accident (either in the UK, the EEA or certain other territories), insurers and/or the MIB may search the MID to obtain relevant information.

Persons (including his or her appointed representatives) pursuing a claim in respect of a road traffic accident (including citizens of other countries) may also obtain relevant information which is held on the MID.

It is vital that the MID holds your correct registration number. It is our responsibility to update your policy to the MID. We fully comply with the agreements in place with the MIB to update your details within seven days; however it is important that you check your policy documents ensuring that the registration number is recorded correctly.

If it is incorrectly shown on the MID you are at risk of having your car seized by the Police. You can check that your correct registration number is shown on the MID at www.askMID.com.

If the registration number is not shown correctly on your policy documents, or you cannot find your car on the MID, please contact us immediately.

# Important information about your policy

### How to make a claim

To notify us of a claim please telephone 0345 877 6464.

## How to make a complaint

If your complaint relates to a claim please contact your claims handler whose details will be shown on your claims documentation. For all other complaints please call us on our priority number **0800 051 0622** or **0141 3490 160** if abroad.

If you wish to write, then please address your letter to the regional customer service manager at the address shown on your claims documentation for claim related complaints or; the head of sales and customer service at the address shown on your schedule for all other complaints.

Our staff will attempt to resolve your complaint immediately. If this is not possible, we promise to acknowledge your complaint within five business days of receipt. In the unlikely event that your complaint has not been resolved within four weeks of its receipt, we will write and let you know the reasons why and the further action we will take.

If we cannot resolve the differences between us, we will issue a final response letter. Upon its receipt, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) which, once contacted, will liaise with us on your behalf. The FOS will then inform you directly of its decision. Referral to the FOS will not prejudice your right to take subsequent legal proceedings. Their address is: The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR (telephone number 0300 123 9123 or 0800 023 4567).

If you are a business and for any reason your complaint falls outside of the jurisdiction of the FOS then we will still respond to your complaint but if we cannot sort out the differences between us you will not be able to refer the matter to FOS. However, this will not affect your legal rights.

## **European Online Dispute Resolution Platform**

If you, an individual, purchased your policy online mainly for your own private use there is now an Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) platform created by the EU Commission, which can help with resolving disputes. You can enter any complaint, other than for trade, about your policy onto the ODR. This will forward your complaint to the correct Alternative Dispute Resolution scheme. For insurance complaints in the UK this is the Financial Ombudsman Service. Their contact details are above, if you prefer to contact them directly. For more information about ODR please visit http://ec.europa.eu/odr

If your complaint relates to Section H – Uninsured Loss Recovery, you can refer your complaint to arbitration instead (where an independent person, known as an arbitrator, makes a decision to settle the dispute).

The arbitrator will be a solicitor or barrister or other suitably qualified person that you and we agree on. If you and we cannot agree then we will ask the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators to decide. The arbitrator's decision will be final and whoever does not win will have to pay all costs and expenses.

## Details about our regulator

U K Insurance Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority under registration number 202810. The Financial Conduct Authority website, which includes a register of all regulated firms, can be visited at www.fca.org.uk, or the Financial Conduct Authority can be contacted on 0800 111 6768.

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### The Financial Services Compensation Scheme

General insurance claims are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Full details of the cover available can be found at **www.fscs.org.uk**. U K Insurance Limited is a member of this scheme.

