

INCOME (120) PROTECTION INSURANCE



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Income (120) Protection Insurance Policy Wording

You have applied for and **We** have accepted **Your** application for income protection insurance with Novus Underwriting Limited on behalf of Helvetia Schweizerische Versicherungsgesellschaft in Liechtenstein AG.

This **Policy** is underwritten by Novus Underwriting Limited on behalf of Helvetia Schweizerische Versicherungsgesellschaft in Liechtenstein AG. Registered Office: Aeulestrasse 60 (2. Stock) 9490 Vaduz, Liechtenstein.

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Your proposal, Policy and Schedule combine to form this insurance contract.

PLEASE NOTE: You have a statutory right to cancel this **Policy** and obtain a refund of any **Premium** paid within 30 days of the **Policy Start Date**. Details of these cancellation rights are set out under Section 8 of this **Policy**.

1. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR COVER?

You are eligible to take out income protection insurance if on the Policy Start Date:

- You are aged 18 or over and are under the age of 64; and
- You have been Working in the United Kingdom continuously for the last 6 months; and
- You have been residing in the United Kingdom continuously for the last 6 months; and
- You are not aware of any redundancies, restructure, reorganisation or contractual threats within the
 organisation You Work in, even if You are unsure whether these actions will result in You becoming
 Unemployed. If You are Self-Employed, You must not be aware of any reasons which would mean Your
 Business is likely to close; and
- Your Work is not casual, seasonal or temporary; and
- You are not absent from Work due to an Accident or Sickness, other than minor illness such as a cold or flu. You are still eligible for cover if You are absent from Work due to maternity leave, paternity leave, adoption or parental leave.

You are not eligible for cover if:

- You are aware of any impending Unemployment which may affect You; or
- You are in casual, seasonal or temporary Work; or
- You are Working less than 16 hours per week; or
- You are currently unable to attend Work due to an Accident or Sickness (this does not apply if You are on maternity leave, paternity leave, adoption leave or parental leave).

It is very important that **You** provide **Us** with all the information **We** reasonably require in order to administer **Your** insurance. It is particularly important that **You** remember to contact the **Administrator** if **You** change **Your** address.

2. WHAT THE WORDS MEAN

Some of the words and phrases **We** use in this **Policy** have special meanings and appear in bold typeface. Except where the context otherwise requires, the masculine shall include the feminine, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa, as appropriate.

Accident / Sickness	You have a medical condition certified by a Doctor or Consultant as preventing You from doing Your normal Work or any similar Work which You are reasonably able to do given Your experience, education or training and You are not doing any other Work for payment or reward.
Active War	Your active participation in a War where You are deemed under English Law to be under instruction from or employed by the armed forces of any country.
Administrator	Trent-Services (Administration) Limited, Trent House, Love Lane, Cirencester, GL7 1XD (authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority under reference 315285).
Benefit Period	The maximum number of 12 Monthly Benefit payments that would be payable for any Claim Period as shown on Your Schedule .
Business	A company, profession, trade or industry registered in the United Kingdom .
Business Failure	The total cessation of Your Business caused entirely by circumstances beyond Your control or the control of any director in Your Business .
Claim Period	Any separate period of time during which You are unable to Work due to an Accident , Sickness or Unemployment and receiving Monthly Benefit under this Policy .
College	The Royal College of Surgeons, the Royal College of Physicians or any other Royal College of medical practitioners.
Consultant	A medical specialist, other than You or any of Your Relatives , who is a member of a College and recognised by that College to be a Consultant .
Controlling Interest	Owning individually or jointly 20% or more of the issued shares.
Doctor	A medical practitioner, other than You or any of Your Relatives , practising in the United Kingdom being a fully registered person under the medical Act 1983.
Excess Period	Means the period of time at the point of a claim during which there is no Monthly Benefit payable to You , as stated on Your Schedule .
Initial Exclusion Period	The 120 days immediately following the Policy Start Date when You cannot claim for Unemployment . If You are applying to cancel and replace Your cover on a like for like basis from another provider, the 120 day period will be waived.
Monthly Benefit	The amount of cover You have selected as shown on Your Schedule up to a maximum of £1,999 or 65% of your Normal Monthly Income whichever is the lesser.
Normal Monthly Income	Either of the following: • If You are employed, the average of the gross amounts shown on Your payslips from Your employer during the last 12 months, or • If You are Self Employed , the monthly average of the gross income You declared to HM revenue and Customs for the previous tax year.

Nuclear Risk	Ionising radiation or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel or radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.
Period of Cover	The period between the Policy Start Date and the Termination Date for which the correct Premium has been paid by You .
Permanent Employment	You are in paid employment of at least 16 hour per week under a contract of service, paying Class 1 national Insurance contributions and Your employment has no fixed or pre-defined finishing date other than the normal retirement age for Your occupation.
Policy	The cover provided to You under the terms and conditions of this insurance contract.
Policy Start Date	The date cover commences as shown on Your Schedule .
Pre-Existing Condition	Any Sickness, condition or injury whether diagnosed or not about which You: • Knew or should reasonably have known at the Policy Start Date, or • Had seen or arranged to see a doctor during the 12 months prior to the Policy Start Date.
Premium	The amount You must pay for cover under this Policy .
Relative(s)	Means Your spouse, civil partner, domestic partner, parent or child, related to You by blood, law, marriage or domestic partnership, or a permanent member of Your household.
Schedule	The document accompanying this Policy which confirms the Benefit Period , Policy Start Date , Waiting Period and Monthly Benefit which You have applied for and which We have accepted.
Self Employed/ Self Employment	You carry on a Business in the United Kingdom alone or with others and pay Class 2 or Class 4 (if profits are over a certain amount) national Insurance contributions and are classed as Schedule D for income tax purposes, or You can control the affairs of a Business You Work for because You or a Relative or a member of Your household individually or jointly have a Controlling Interest in that Business.
Termination Date	The earliest of the following to occur: • You die, or • You retire from Work or reach the age of 65 whichever is the earlier, or • You stop residing or Working in the United Kingdom, or • You default on Your Premium payment, or • You no longer have an income (unless You are in a Claim Period), or • You or We cancel this Policy.
Terrorism	An act including, but not limited to, the use or threat of force and/or violence of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes or reasons including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

Unemployed/ Unemployment	 You are out of Work directly due to circumstances beyond Your control, and You must be: Receiving Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance or You do not qualify for these benefits because You have been entitled to make reduced national Insurance contributions in the past; Actively seeking Work; Registered as available for Work at a Job Centre Plus or the Department of Health and Social Security in Northern Ireland; Entirely without employment for either payment or reward; and Not in receipt of wages in lieu of notice
United Kingdom	England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
Waiting Period	The period shown in Your Schedule during which You will need to be continuously unable to Work due to an Accident , Sickness or Unemployment before You are entitled to receive Monthly Benefit .
War	Means: (a) War, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, riot or civil commotion assuming the proportions of, or amounting to, an uprising, military or usurped power, or (b) Any act of Terrorism, or (c) Any act of War or Terrorism involving the use of, or release of, a threat to use any nuclear weapon or device or chemical or biological agent.
We or Us or Our	Means Novus Underwriting Limited on behalf of Helvetia Schweizerische Versicherungsgesellschaft in Liechtenstein AG.
Work or Working	Gainful Permanent employment , contract employment or Self Employment within the United Kingdom for a minimum of 16 hours per week and paying the appropriate National Insurance Contributions.
You or Your or Yourself	The person named on Your Schedule .

3. PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS

Premiums are payable by direct debit, monthly in advance by **You**. If **Your Premium** remains unpaid for 30 days after the due date **Your** cover under this **Policy** will cease.

If **You** are in receipt of **Monthly Benefits You** should continue to pay **Your** monthly **Premium** as it falls due in order to ensure continuous cover under this **Policy**.

You will be covered for one month from the **Policy Start Date** and for each further consecutive monthly period for which **We** accept a **Premium** from **You**, until **Your** 64th birthday or until this insurance is cancelled.

We will give **You** at least 2 months written notice if **We** decide, or need, to change **Your** cover or the price of **Your** insurance. Notice of the change will be sent to **Your** last known address.

We will only change Your Premium and/or the terms and conditions of Your Policy for the following reasons:

- To make minor changes to Your policy wording that do not affect the nature of the cover and benefit provided such as changes to make the policy wording easier to understand;
- To reflect changes in the law, in regulation (including any decision of a regulatory body), or to any
 code of practice or industry guidance affecting Us or Your Policy;
- To reflect changes to taxation applicable to **Your Policy** (including, but not limited to, insurance premium tax);
- To reflect increases or reductions in the cost (or projected cost) of providing **Your** insurance, including, but not limited to, increases or decreases caused by changes to the number, length, cost or timing of claims which **We**, as part of **Our** pricing policy, have assumed or projected will be

made under this insurance:

- To cover the cost of any changes to the cover/benefits provided under this insurance including, but not limited to, the removal of one or more policy exclusions(s); or
- To cover the cost of changes to the systems, services or technology in support of this insurance.

Once **We** have made an alteration, no further changes will be made to the terms and conditions or the **Premium** for **Your Policy** for at least 6 months – unless **We** are obliged to do so by law, regulation or any code of practice or industry guidance.

We can make changes immediately and advise **You** within 30 days of the change having been made if the change is favourable to **You**. A favourable change could include, but is not restricted to, a reduction in the rate of insurance premium tax, a general reduction in the price of **Your Policy** or an improvement to the cover and benefits.

Upon receiving notice of any changes or proposed changes, **You** may cancel cover if **You** are unhappy with the change or proposed change.

4. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

4.1 ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS CLAIMS

If You become unable to Work due to an Accident or Sickness during the Period of Cover for longer than the Excess Period and the Waiting Period, We will pay to You one Monthly Benefit on the first day that You remain continuously unable to Work due to an Accident or Sickness following the Excess Period and the Waiting Period. After that We will continue to pay You one thirtieth of the Monthly Benefit for each day You remain continuously unable to Work due to an Accident or Sickness, monthly in arrears.

We will continue to pay until the sooner of the **Termination Date** or:

- The last consecutive day of Your Accident or Sickness, or
- The date **You** stop providing due proof that **You** remain continuously unable to **Work** due to an **Accident** or **Sickness**, or
- The date **We** have paid you a sum equivalent to the maximum number of **Monthly Benefit** payments allowed in the **Benefit Period** as shown in **Your Schedule**.

If **You** return to **Work** on temporarily reduced hours **We** will continue to pay **Your** full **Monthly Benefit** for a maximum of 3 months, provided that:

- You have already received at least one Monthly Benefit for Your Accident or Sickness claim; and
- Your Doctor continues to issue medical certificates and confirms that number of hours (or days) that have been agreed. This must be no more than 75% of Your normal hours; and
- Your reduced hours do not become permanent.

ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS EXCLUSIONS

No benefit will be payable to **You** if **Your Accident** or **Sickness**:

- Is due to **You** deliberately injuring **Yourself.**
- Is due to alcohol, solvent abuse or drugs (other than drugs taken under the direction of a **Doctor** or **Consultant** and not for the treatment of drug addiction).
- Is from stress, anxiety, depression or any mental or nervous disorder unless **You** are referred to a **Consultant** Psychiatrist by **Your Doctor** and, provided that the condition solely prevents **You** from **Working**, **Your** claim will be considered from the date of diagnosis by the **Consultant** Psychiatrist until **You** are released from their care.
- If it results directly or indirectly from a Pre-Existing Condition. Please note this exclusion will not apply to a
 Pre-Existing Condition if you have been symptom free and do not seek treatment or advice, or arrange
 to seek treatment or advice from a Doctor or Consultant for a continuous period of 12 months following
 the Policy Start Date.
- Is a result of a back, neck, spine or related condition unless there is radiological evidence of medical abnormality or injury, confirmed by a **Doctor** or **Consultant**.
- Arises from medical operations or treatments which are not medically necessary, including cosmetic or beauty treatments.

4.2 UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS

If You become Unemployed after the Initial Exclusion Period during the Period of Cover for longer than the Excess Period and the Waiting Period, We will pay to You one Monthly Benefit on the first day that You remain continuously Unemployed following the Excess Period and the Waiting Period. After that We will continue to pay You one thirtieth of the Monthly Benefit for each day You remain continuously Unemployed, monthly in arrears.

We will continue to pay until the sooner of the Termination Date, or:

- The last consecutive day of Your Unemployment; or
- The date **You** stop providing due proof that **You** remain continuously **Unemployed**; or
- The date **We** have paid **You** a sum equivalent to the maximum number of **Monthly Benefit** payments allowed in the **Benefit Period** as shown in **Your Schedule**.

Unemployment cover under this **Policy** will vary in accordance with **Your** employment status:

(i) PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT

If **You** are **Working** under a **Permanent Employment** contract **You** are covered if **You** are made **Unemployed** due to redundancy or dismissal, provided that it is not due to misconduct.

(ii) CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT

If **You** have been employed on a renewable fixed term contract **You** are covered if **Your** employer terminated the contract or did not renew it again, provided **Your** employer had originally intended the contract to be renewable and either:

- It was an annual contract which had already been renewed at least once; or
- You had Worked for that employer for at least two continuous years or were previously employed by them under a Permanent Employment contract.

If **Your** contract was any type other than as described above, **You** are only covered if **Your** employer terminated the contract early (not if they did not renew it when it reached its expiry date). Please note that **Monthly Benefit** will not be paid after the contract would have expired normally.

(iii) SELF EMPLOYMENT

If You are Self Employed You will be insured due to Business Failure and You must have:

- Filed closing accounts with HM Revenue and Customs if **You** operate alone; or
- Had Your company put in the hands of an insolvency practitioner following the actions of a third party outside Your Business; or
- Had Your partnership dissolved and final accounts filed with the HM Revenue and Customs following the actions of a third party outside Your Business.

UNEMPLOYMENT EXCLUSIONS

No benefit will be payable to **You** for **Unemployment** claims if:

- You have not been Working for at least 6 consecutive months prior to the Policy Start Date.
- You were aware of the possibility of impending Unemployment (or in Our reasonable opinion You should have been aware) at the Policy Start Date, not withstanding that no specific reference has been made to Your personal situation and that Your Unemployment may not take place until after the Initial Exclusion Period.
- You are notified of or made aware by any means, within the Initial Exclusion Period, of anything which might lead to Your Unemployment not withstanding that no specific reference has been made to Your personal situation and that Your Unemployment may not take place until after the Initial Exclusion Period. However, if You transfer cover from another insurer on a like for like basis We will waive the Initial Exclusion Period, provided that Your previous insurance was in force for at least 6 months and You never made a claim under that policy;
- Your Work is casual, seasonal or of a temporary nature.
- You accept voluntary redundancy, resign or retire.
- Your Unemployment arises as a result of Your misconduct, negligence, dishonesty or fraud.
- Your Unemployment occurs while You are Working outside the United Kingdom for a period intended by You to be more than 90 days - this clause will not apply if Your reason for leaving the United Kingdom is because You:
 - (a) **Work** for the British Armed Forces; or
 - (b) **Work** as a Civil Servant in a British Embassy or Consulate.
- You are made Unemployed from a Business where You can control the affairs of the Business You Work for because You or a Relative or a member of Your household individually or jointly have a Controlling Interest in that Business.
- You are made **Unemployed** as a result of participating in any industrial action.

5. SUSPENDING AN UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

If **You** make a claim for **Unemployment** under this **Policy** and **You** are offered temporary **Work We** will suspend (rather than end) claim payments provided that:

- You tell Us who You will be Working for (even if You will be Self Employed), how many hours of Work a
 week You will be Working for and the duration of Your temporary Work; and
- Your temporary Work lasts for at least one week and no longer than twelve months; and
- You continue to comply with the terms and conditions of this Policy and tell Us immediately if any of the above circumstances should change.

If **You** are again **Unemployed** when **Your** temporary **Work** as described above ends, **You** will be eligible to continue **Your** claim for **Unemployment** as if **You** had one continuous claim and **We** will recommence the claim payment but on terms that the sums **We** have already paid to **You** will count towards the maximum **Benefit Period** as shown in **Your Schedule**.

6. GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

- If You need to change the level of Your Monthly Benefit during the Period of Cover, We will apply the
 following exclusions to the increase in Your Monthly Benefit from the date the change in Your cover
 becomes effective:
 - (a) Accident or Sickness claims that result directly or indirectly from a Pre-Existing Condition, and
 - (b) For **Unemployment** claims where **You** are notified of **Your** impending **Unemployment** or are made **Unemployed** in the 120 day period following the date the change became effective.
- No benefit will be payable in respect of an Accident, Sickness or Unemployment directly or indirectly arising as a result of:
 - (a) War or acts of Terrorism
 - (b) You engaging in Active War;
 - (c) Nuclear Risks.
- **We** shall not provide any benefit under this contract of insurance to the extent of providing cover, payment of any claim or the provision of any benefit where doing so would breach any sanction, prohibition or restriction imposed by law or regulation.

7. CLAIM RE-QUALIFICATION

If You have already made a claim under this Policy and wish to make another claim, the following will apply:

- If You have claimed for Accident, Sickness or Unemployment and wish to make another claim within 3 months of Your original claim, then subject to the Policy terms and conditions We will consider treating Your new claim as a continuation of the previous claims and no new Excess Period or Waiting Period will apply. However We will only pay You the remaining balance between the Monthly Benefit You have already received under Your original claim and the maximum Benefit Period as shown in Your Schedule.
- If You return to Work for 3 consecutive months or more, any future Accident, Sickness or Unemployment claim will be treated as a completely new claim. A new Excess Period and Claim Waiting Period will apply and You will be entitled to the maximum Benefit Period as shown in Your Schedule.
- Once You have been paid the maximum Benefit Period as shown in Your Schedule for an Accident or Sickness, if You wish to make another claim for the same or related Accident or Sickness then You must have returned to Work for a continuous period of 6 months, or for 1 month if the next Accident or Sickness is totally unrelated.
- Once You have been paid the maximum Benefit Period as shown in Your Schedule for Unemployment, if You wish to make another claim for Unemployment then You must have returned to Work for a continuous period of 6 months.

Should the nature of **Your** claim change from **Accident** or **Sickness** to **Unemployment**, or vice versa, this will be considered a continuation of the original claim event and no new **Excess Period** or **Waiting Period** will apply. We will only pay **You** the remaining balance between the **Monthly Benefit You** have already received under **Your** original claim and the maximum **Benefit Period** as shown in **Your Schedule**. Please note that **You** will not be paid **Monthly Benefit** for **Accident** or **Sickness** and **Unemployment** at the same time.

8. CANCELLATION

You have a statutory right to cancel this **Policy** by contacting the **Administrator** within 30 days of the **Policy Start Date**, or if later, within 30 days of the date **You** receive this Policy Wording. In these circumstances **We** will refund all of any **Premium You** have paid provided **You** have not made a claim under this **Policy**.

Thereafter **You** may cancel **Your** cover under this **Policy** by contacting the **Administrator** and quoting **Your Policy** number. **Your** cover will cease on the date **We** receive **Your** request. No refund of **Premium** will be made if **You** cancel **Your** cover under this **Policy** more than 30 days after the **Policy Start Date**.

The contact details for the Administrator are:

Trent Services (Administration) Limited, Trent House, Love Lane, Cirencester, GL7 1XD

Tel: 01285 626020

Email:admin@trent-services.co.uk

We may cancel Your Policy by giving You 3 months notice at Your last known address. If a substitute income protection policy is being offered in place of this Policy, 2 months written notice of termination or substitution will be given. If We cancel cover under Your Policy, with effect from the termination date no further Premium will be payable by You and You will continue to receive any benefits for a valid claim if Your claim date was before the Policy was cancelled. This will not affect any rights to Monthly Benefit which You may have already received under this Policy.

We have the right to cancel Your Policy immediately if You commit fraud.

9. DATA PROTECTION

Please be aware that telephone calls may be monitored and recorded. We and the Administrator act as the Data Controller(s) (as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018 and all applicable laws which replace or amend it, including General Data Protection Regulation). How We use and look after the personal information is set out below. Information may be used by Us, the Administrator agents and service providers for the purposes of insurance administration, underwriting, claims handling or for statistical purposes.

The lawful basis for the processing is that it is necessary for **Us** to process **Your** personal information to enable the performance of the insurance contract, to administer **Your Policy** of insurance and/or handle any insurance claim **You** may submit to **Us** under this **Policy**. The processing of **Your** personal data may also be necessary to comply with any legal obligation **We** may have and to protect **Your** interest during the course of any claim.

What **We** process and share:

The personal data **You** have provided, **We** have collected from **You**, or we have received from third parties may include **Your**:

- Name, date of birth, residential address and address history.
- Contact details such as email address and telephone numbers.
- Financial and employment details.
- Health or criminal conviction information.
- Any information which You have provided in support of Your insurance claim.

We may receive information about **You** from the following sources:

- Your insurance broker.
- From third parties such as credit reference agencies and fraud prevention agencies.
- **From** insurers, witnesses, the Police (in regards to incidents) and solicitors, Appointed Representatives.
- Directly from **You**.

We will not pass **Your** information to any third parties except to enable **Us** to process **Your** claim, prevent fraud and comply with legal and regulatory requirements. In which case **We** may need to share **Your** information with the following third parties:

- Solicitors or other Appointed Representatives.
- Underwriters, Reinsurers, Regulators and Authorised/Statutory Bodies.
- Fraud and crime prevention agencies, including the Police.
- Other suppliers carrying out a service on Our, or Your behalf.

We will not use **Your** information for marketing further products or services to **You** or pass **Your** information

on to any other organisation or person for sales and marketing purposes without Your consent.

Data Retention

We will hold **Your** details for up to seven years after the expiry of **Your Policy**, complaint and/or claims settlement.

Your rights

Your personal data is protected by legal rights, which include **Your** rights to:

- Object to **Our** processing of **Your** personal data.
- Request that Your personal data is erased or corrected.
- Request access to Your personal data and data portability.
- Complain to the Information Commissioner's Office, which regulates the processing of personal data.

For full details of what data **We** collect about **You**, how **We** use it, who **We** share it with, how long **We** keep it and **Your** rights relating to **Your** personal data, please refer to **Our** Privacy Notice which is available on **Our** website www.helvetia.com/privacy.

10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- (a) This **Policy** and any endorsements to it together with the proposal and **Schedule** and any written statement of medical or other information made by **You** make up the insurance contract between **Us** and **You**.
- (b) This insurance contract is subject to English law with exclusive jurisdiction to the Courts of England and Wales.
- d) If **You** make a fraudulent claim under this **Policy**, **We** the Insurer:
 - i. Are not liable to pay the claim; and
 - ii. May recover any sums paid by **Us** to **You** in respect of the claim; and
 - iii. May by notice to **You** treat the contract as having been terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.
- e) If **We** exercise **Our** right under clause (d) (iii) above:
 - i. **We** shall not be liable to **You** in respect of a relevant event occurring after the time of the fraudulent act. A relevant event is whatever gives rise to **Our** liability under this **Policy** (such as the occurrence of a loss, the making of a claim, or the notification of a potential claim); and,
 - ii. **We** need not return any of the **Premiums** paid.
- (f) All benefits under this **Policy** are currently non-taxable, although this may change in line with any amendments to legislation. In this event, **We** will deduct from any **Monthly Benefit** any sums which by law **We** are required to deduct.
- (g) A person who is not a party to this insurance contract has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this **Policy** but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.
- (h) You are required by the provisions of the Consumer Insurance (Disclosure and Representations) Act 2012 to take reasonable care to supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions in the declaration and application form for this Policy and to make sure that all information supplied to Us is true and correct. This also applies if You wish to make any changes to Your Policy during the Period of Cover, or if You make a claim under this Policy. You must tell Us of any changes to the answers You have given as soon as possible. Failure to advise Us of a change to Your answers may mean that Your Policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim. If You do not answer questions completely and accurately, then this may affect Your Policy cover. In the event that You have supplied Us with information which is incorrect or false We reserve the right to declare Your Policy invalid and cancel Your cover, with no refund of Premium. In the event that You have made a claim, We may refuse to pay all or part of that claim.
- (1) The benefits of this **Policy** may not be assigned to a third party.
- If You hold any other policies which entitle You to benefit for Accident, Sickness or Unemployment, then We reserve the right to deduct the benefit due under such similar insurance from Our Monthly Benefit payments.
- (k) This **Policy** will not have any cash-in or surrender value.
- Helvetia Schweizerische Versicherungsgesellschaft in Liechtenstein AG is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, if Helvetia Schweizerische Versicherungsgesellschaft in Liechtenstein AG cannot meet their obligations to **You** under this contract. Further information can be obtained from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St.Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU. Tel: 0800 678 1100 (Freephone) or 202 7741 4100. Website: www.fscs.org.uk.

11. HOW TO CLAIM

You must give Us notice of a claim by telephoning the Administrator on 01285 626020.

You should do so as soon as reasonably possible and within 30 days of the start of any period **You** are off **Work** and wish to claim.

We will send **You** the claim forms. **You** will need to complete these and return them to **Us** as soon as reasonably possible, giving **Us** all the information **We** ask for to enable **Us** to process **Your** claim. This may include wage slips, termination notice and P45 or, if **Self Employed**, bank statements, invoices and annual accounts, HM Revenue and Customs and national Insurance records, **Doctor** and **Consultant** reports and medical records.

Please note that for all **Unemployment** claims **You** will be required to show evidence on a monthly basis that **You** are actively seeking **Work** for the duration of the **Claim Period**. Failure to provide such evidence may result in **You** not receiving **Your Monthly Benefit** under this **Policy**. This will apply irrespective of whether **You** are registered as available for **Work** at a Job Centre plus or the Department of Health and Social Security in Northern Ireland.

Throughout the period for which the claim is made under this **Policy We** will require **You** to provide continued evidence that **You** have been signed off as unfit to **Work** due to **Accident** or **Sickness** by a **Doctor**. **Monthly Benefits** will not be paid for any period of **Accident** or **Sickness** for which the evidence required by **Us** is not provided.

You will be responsible for providing **Us** with the proof **We** need. Delay in submitting a claim to **Us** may make **Your** claim harder to confirm and lead to delay in making payment or result in the non-payment of **Your** claim. **We** may ask **You** to be medically examined or contacted by a Third Party representative at **Our** expense. If **You** do not this **Your** claim could either be stopped or denied.

Payment of benefit will be made when **We** receive satisfactory evidence of **Your** entitlement to claim.

Once a claim has been accepted, benefit will be paid to You monthly in arrears.

12. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

We aim to provide a first-class service. If **You** have any cause to complain, or **You** feel that **We** have not kept **Our** promise, please follow the procedures below:

- a) For complaints relating to the sale of **Your Policy** please contact the sales agent from which this insurance was purchased. When **You** do this quote **Your Policy** number, which is on **Your Schedule**.
- b) For complaints relating to the administration or claims handling of this insurance please contact the **Administrator**, Trent-Services (Administration) Limited, Trent House, Love Lane, Cirencester, GL7 1XD, Tel: 01285 626020, Email: admin@trent-services.co.uk. When **You** do this quote **Your Policy** number, which is on **Your Schedule**.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of and response to the complaint **You** have the right to make an appeal to the UK Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). Their address is:

Financial Ombudsman Service

Exchange Tower

London E14 9SR

Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk Website: http://financial-ombudsman.org.uk/contact/

The telephone number is: 0800 0 234 567*

*Calls to this number are free if **You** are calling from a 'fixed line' (e.g. a landline at home). If **You** are a mobile phone user who plays a monthly charge for calls to numbers starting 01 or 02, call free on 0300 123 9 123.

13. REGULATORY DETAILS

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