

# **Property – business interruption insurance**

Policy summary

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#### Key benefits: what risks are you protected against?

Business interruption insurance protects you when you are unable to carry out some or all of your activities due to an unforeseen interruption which results in a financial loss to you. We will pay for your loss of income or gross profit, as shown in the policy schedule, occurring during the period of insurance. We will also pay for the costs and expenses incurred by you to minimise the reduction in your income or gross profit. We will pay up to the amounts and time period shown in the policy schedule.

We will pay for interruptions caused by:

- insured damage to your property;
- physical damage in the vicinity of the insured premises which prevents or hinders access to the premises;
- any other incident within a one mile radius of the insured premises which results in any civil, statutory or government or public authority denying or hindering access to the premises for more than 24 hours;
- damage arising at the premises of one of your customers or suppliers in the European Union (including the United Kingdom and Gibraltar);
- failure in the supply of water, gas, electricity, telecommunications or internet services for more than 24 hours as a result of damage to the service provider's premises, the terminal feed or underground cables, unless the damage is caused by flood or earth movement:
- electrical or mechanical breakdown of your equipment and computers, where we also cover you under the property –
  equipment breakdown section.

## Significant or unusual exclusions and limitations

You must keep a record of all amounts owed to you and keep a copy of the record away from the premises, otherwise we may reduce any payment we may make by an amount equal to the detriment we have suffered.

We will not make any payment unless payment has been made, or liability admitted, by us or by another insurer for damage to property that you are legally responsible for, where the interruption to your activities is caused by such damage.

We will not pay for:

- any interruption to your business caused by any communicable disease or fear or threat of communicable disease except
  where the interruption is caused by one of the specified diseases at your premises which means that you are unable to use
  your premises;
- any interruption to your business caused by, resulting from or in connection with terrorism, civil commotion in Northern Ireland, war, confiscation or nuclear risks including any fear of threat of such an incident and any action taken to control, prevent, suppress or respond to such an incident;
- any interruption to your business arising from any cyber attack, hacker or computer or digital technology error, including any threat or fear of such an incident and any action taken to control, prevent, suppress or respond to such an incident;
- permanent discontinuance of your business or appointment of a liquidator or receiver;
- any costs and expenses incurred by you to minimise the reduction in your income or gross profit which exceed the
  reduction in the income or gross profit saved, unless cover for Additional increased costs of working is shown in the
  policy schedule.

Please read the policy for details of terms in full.



# Property – business interruption

Policy wording

Please read the schedule to see if your loss of income, loss of gross profit, increased costs of working or additional increased costs of working are covered or if a first loss limit or flexible business interruption cover applies.

The schedule will also show if either the amount insured or the indemnity period are unlimited.

The General terms and conditions, the Property definitions and the following terms and conditions all apply to this section.

Spo	ecial	definitions
for	this	section

Accidental bodily injury Any identifiable bodily injury, including illness solely and directly resulting from the injury, to a

**key person** which is caused by an accident occurring at an identifiable time and place during the **period of insurance** and which results in the **key person's** death or **disablement**.

Additional increased costs of working

The additional costs and expenses, not including the costs of **reconstitution of data**, reasonably incurred by **you** with **our** prior consent in order to continue **your activities** or minimise **your** loss of **income** or loss of **gross profit** during the **indemnity period** and not

limited to the reduction in income or gross profit saved.

Additional research expenditure

The additional costs and expenses reasonably incurred by **you** with **our** prior consent in order to restore **your research projects** to the state they were in prior to any **insured damage**.

Alternative hire costs

The additional costs and expenses reasonably incurred by **you** for the necessary hire of a substitute item of similar type and capacity either while insured **property** is being repaired

or until permanently replaced, following insured damage or insured failure.

**Annualised amount insured** 

The amount insured divided by the indemnity period multiplied by 12.

Annualised declared amount

The **declared amount** for **your** actual **income** or **gross profit** divided by the **indemnity period** multiplied by 12.

Disablement

A condition which, in the opinion of a qualified medical adviser approved by **us**, entirely prevents the **key person** from attending to their duties on **your** behalf.

First loss limit

Any **amount insured** stated in the schedule as a first loss limit, where, with **our** consent, **you** have selected a limit that is less than **your** declared **income** or **gross profit**.

Flexible business interruption cover

Any combination of your loss of income, loss of gross profit, additional research expenditure, increased costs of working or additional increased costs of working.

Illness

An illness or disease contracted by a **key person** which first becomes apparent during the **period of insurance** and which results in the **key person's disablement**.

Increased costs of working

The costs and expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred by **you** for the sole purpose of minimising the reduction in **income** from **your activities** during the **indemnity period**, but not exceeding the reduction in **income** saved.

**Indemnity period** 

The period, in months, beginning at the date of the **insured damage** or **insured failure** or the date the restriction is imposed, and lasting for the period during which **your income** is affected as a result of such **insured damage**, **insured failure** or restriction, but for no longer than the number of months stated in the schedule.

Key person

Any of **your** directors, partners, trustees, in-house counsel or senior managers in actual control of **your** operations aged between 18 and 70 inclusive at the start of the **period of insurance**.

Lottery

The following prize draws and competitions:

- a. UK National Lottery prize draws including scratch cards;
- b. UK National Football Pools;
- c. Littlewoods Pools;



- d. Vernons Pools;
- e. Euro Millions Lottery; or
- f. UK Premium Bond prize draw.

Rate of gross profit

The percentage produced by dividing gross profit by your income during the financial year immediately before any insured damage, insured failure or restriction.

Research projects

**Your activities** directly related to **your** development of new products or services or improvements to existing products or services.

Specified customer

Any direct customer of **yours** operating and based at the address individually stated in the business interruption section of the schedule.

**Specified disease** 

Any of the following diseases:

- a. acute encephalitis;
- b. anthrax;
- c. cholera;
- d. dysentery;
- e. legionellosis;
- f. legionnaires disease;
- g. leptospirosis;
- h. paratyphoid fever;
- i. rabies; or
- i tetanus.

#### **Specified supplier**

Any supplier of **yours** operating and based at the address individually stated in the business interruption section of the schedule.

#### What is covered

**We** will insure **you** for **your** financial losses and other items specified in the schedule, resulting solely and directly from an interruption to **your activities** caused by:

Financial losses from insured damage

- insured damage to property:
  - a. insured under any property section of this **policy** other than equipment breakdown; or
  - insured elsewhere, but not under this policy, provided the damage occurred while the property was contained in the insured premises;

Denial of access

 insured damage in the vicinity of the insured premises which prevents or hinders your access to the insured premises;

Non-damage denial of access

 an incident occurring during the period of insurance within a one mile radius of the insured premises which results in a denial of access or hindrance in access to the insured premises, imposed by any civil or statutory authority or by order of the government or any public authority, for more than 24 consecutive hours;

Bomb threat

4. your total inability to access the insured premises due to restrictions imposed by the police or the British Armed Forces caused by the presence or suspected presence of an incendiary or explosive device within the insured premises or in the vicinity of the insured premises during the period of insurance, provided that such restriction applies for more than four hours and subject to our liability being limited to the actual period that total access is denied. No cover will be provided if actual damage is caused by the device;

Unspecified customers

5. **insured damage**, other than loss or **damage** caused by **flood** or **earth movement**, arising at the premises of any of **your** direct customers, operating and based in the European Union (including in the **United Kingdom** or Gibraltar), other than any **specified customer**;

Specified customers

6. **insured damage** arising at the premises of any **specified customer**;



Unspecified suppliers

7. insured damage, other than loss or damage caused by flood or earth movement, arising at the premises of any of your suppliers, operating and based in the European Union (including in the United Kingdom or Gibraltar), other than any specified supplier. This does not apply to any supplier of water, gas, electricity or telecommunications services;

Specified suppliers

8. **insured damage** arising at the premises of any **specified supplier**;

Public utilities

- 9. failure in the supply of:
  - a. water;
  - b. gas; or
  - c. electricity;

to the **insured premises** for more than 24 consecutive hours caused by **insured damage**, other than **damage** caused by **flood** or **earth movement**, to:

- any land-based premises of a service provider operating and based in the European Union (including in the **United Kingdom** or Gibraltar);
- ii. the terminal feed to the insured premises; or
- underground cables conveying such services from the service provider to the insured premises.

For cover following a failure in the supply of public utilities, **damage** shall be considered as **insured damage** where it is self-insured by the utility provider.

Telecommunications and internet service providers

- 10. failure in the supply of:
  - a. telecommunications; or
  - b. internet services:

to the **insured premises** for more than 24 consecutive hours caused by **insured damage**, other than **damage** caused by **flood** or **earth movement**, to:

- any land-based premises of a service provider operating and based in the European Union (including in the **United Kingdom** or Gibraltar);
- ii. the terminal feed to the insured premises; or
- underground cables conveying such services from the service provider to the insured premises.

For cover following a failure in the supply of telecommunications or internet services, **damage** shall be considered as **insured damage** where it is self-insured by the provider of such services.

Public authority

- 11. **your** inability to use the **insured premises** due to restrictions imposed by a public authority during the **period of insurance** following:
  - a. a murder or suicide;
  - b. an occurrence of any human infectious or human contagious disease, an outbreak of which must be notified to the local authority;
  - injury or illness of any person traceable to food or drink consumed on the insured premises;
  - d. defects in the drains or other sanitary arrangements;
  - e. vermin or pests at the insured premises.

Equipment breakdown

13. insured failure.

### Additional cover

The following are also provided up the amount stated in the schedule:

Employees' lottery win

- 14. **We** will pay the following costs and expenses incurred by **you** with **our** prior consent caused by one or more of **your** employees resigning from employment with **you** during the **period of insurance** as a direct consequence of their securing a win in a **lottery**:
  - a. recruitment and agency fees;
  - b. additional overtime costs for your remaining employees; and
  - c. the costs incurred by **you** to employ additional temporary employees.



However, **we** will not make any payment for any costs and expenses caused by **your** employees' **lottery** wins unless:

- i. the employees resign within 14 days from the date of their lottery win; and
- ii. the **lottery** win is greater than £100,000 per person.

# Cancellation and abandonment

- 15. If, as a sole and direct result of an unforeseen incident or event which occurs during the period of insurance and is entirely beyond your control, a promotional event for your activities are necessarily and unavoidably postponed, abandoned, cancelled or relocated, we will pay the costs and expenses incurred by you, provided that the promotional event is:
  - a. organised by you in connection with your activities; and
  - b. due to take place within the United Kingdom.

However, **we** will not make any payment for loss of **gross profit** or any postponement, relocation, cancellation or abandonment of any promotional event for **your activities** directly or indirectly due to:

- any failure, withdrawal or inadequacy of necessary finance or financial default of any person, corporation or entity;
- ii. strikes, industrial action or labour disputes, whether actual or threatened;
- iii. any action taken by any national or international body or agency directly or indirectly to control, prevent or suppress any infectious disease; or
- iv. adverse weather affecting any promotional event.

#### Key persons

- 16. If a key person suffers accidental bodily injury or contracts an illness which lasts for more than 28 days, we will pay you for the expense you incur in replacing that key person, less any savings you are able to make in order to avoid or reduce a loss. However, we will not make any payment where the accidental bodily injury to or illness of a key person is directly or indirectly caused by or results from:
  - a. any emotional or psychiatric disorder or condition;
  - the **key person** taking or using drugs or controlled substances (other than drugs legally and appropriately prescribed by a qualified medical practitioner and properly used by the **key person**);
  - c. the **key person** committing suicide or deliberately injuring themselves or putting themselves in unnecessary danger (unless trying to save a human life);
  - d. any criminal act by you or the key person;
  - e. pregnancy or any condition connected with pregnancy or childbirth; or
  - f. any physical defect, infirmity or medical condition known to the **key person** at the inception date of this **policy**, unless the defect, infirmity or condition has been without the need for any medical advice or medical treatment during the 24-month period preceding that **key person** suffering the **accidental bodily injury** or contracting the **illness**.

#### What is not covered

**We** will not make any payment for any interruption to **your activities** or for any loss, cost, payment or expense:

- that is directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from or in connection with any of the following:
  - a. **terrorism**. This does not apply to the cover under **What is covered**, Bomb threat;
  - b. civil commotion in Northern Ireland;
  - c. war:
  - d. confiscation;
  - e. nuclear risks;
  - f. any fear or threat of 1.a. to 1.e. above; or
  - g. any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing, responding or in any way relating to 1.a. to 1.f. above.

If there is any dispute between **you** and **us** over the application of clause 1.a or 1.b above, it will be for **you** to show that the clause does not apply.



- 2. that is directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from or in connection with any of the following:
  - a. cyber attack;
  - b. hacker;
  - c. computer or digital technology error
  - d. any fear or threat of 2.a. to 2.b. above; or
  - e. any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing, responding or in any way relating to 2.a. to 2.d. above.

However, this exclusion 2. does not apply to **What is covered**, 1. Financial losses from insured damage.

- 3. if your activities are discontinued permanently or if a liquidator or receiver is appointed;
- directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from or in connection with any communicable disease or the fear or threat of any communicable disease. However, this exclusion does not apply to What is covered, Public authority 11b in respect of any specified diseases.

# How much we will pay

We will pay up to the amount insured unless limited below or stated in the schedule. We will pay for no longer than the indemnity period stated in the schedule against each insured item.

If **you** are accountable to the tax authorities for Value Added Tax, the amount **we** pay will be exclusive of such tax.

The amount we pay for each item will be calculated as follows:

Flexible cover

Where the schedule shows **you** are covered on a flexible business interruption cover basis, the most **we** will pay for each interruption is the **amount insured** shown on the schedule, which applies to the total of **your** loss of **income**, loss of **gross profit**, **increased costs of working** and **additional increased costs of working** combined.

Loss of income

The difference between **your** actual **income** during the **indemnity period** and the **income** it is estimated **you** would have earned during that period or, if this is **your** first trading year, the difference between **your income** during the **indemnity period** and during the period immediately prior to the loss, less any savings resulting from the reduced costs and expenses **you** pay out of **your income** during the **indemnity period**. **We** will also pay for **increased costs of working** and **alternative hire costs**.

Loss of gross profit

The sum produced by applying the **rate of gross profit** to any reduction in **income** during the **indemnity period** plus **increased costs of working** and **alternative hire costs** less any expenses or charges which cease or are reduced.

Outstanding debts

Any of **your** outstanding debts which **you** are unable to recover following loss of **your** accounting records as a direct result of **insured damage** or **insured failure**.

Accountant's charges

The amount **we** will pay for loss of **income** or loss of **gross profit** includes the reasonable charges **you** pay to **your** professional accountant for producing information **we** require in support of a request for settlement under this section.

Specified customers

The most we will pay for insured damage arising at each premises of your specified customer is the amount stated in the schedule. If your customer is not individually stated in the business interruption section of the schedule, cover may apply under What is covered, Unspecified customers. Please check your schedule to see what cover you have for insured damage at the premises of your customers.

Specified suppliers

The most we will pay for insured damage arising at each premises of your specified supplier is the amount stated in the schedule. If your supplier is not individually stated in the business interruption section of the schedule, cover may apply under What is covered, Unspecified suppliers. Please check your schedule to see what cover you have for insured damage at the premises of your suppliers.

Employees' lottery win

The most **we** will pay for all losses arising from one or more of **your** employees resigning from their posts with **you** as a direct consequence of their securing a win in a **lottery** is the amount stated in the schedule.



Cancellation and abandonment

For the cover provided under **What is covered**, Cancellation and abandonment, **we** will pay the costs and expenses that **you** have paid or must legally pay and are unable to recover, less any savings that **you** are able to make which would have been incurred by **you** in organising the promotional event.

**We** will also pay the necessary and reasonable additional expenses incurred by **you** with **our** prior agreement for the sole purpose of avoiding or reducing a loss under this additional cover, provided such expenses do not exceed the reduction in loss saved.

You must pay the relevant excess stated in the schedule for each and every loss.

Key person cover

We will pay the expense you incur up to the amount stated in the schedule.

If a **key person** is suffering from temporary **disablement**, **we** will pay only for the period of that **key person**'s **disablement** and **we** will consider the **key person** to have made a recovery when he or she is able to engage in and perform the major duties of his or her role for **you**.

**Business trends** 

Provided that **you** advise **us** of **your** estimated annual **income**, or estimated annual **gross profit** if applicable, at the beginning of each **period of insurance**, the **amount insured** will automatically be increased to reflect any special circumstances or business trends affecting **your activities**, either before or after the loss. The amount that **we** will pay will reflect as near as possible the result that would have been achieved if the **insured damage**, **insured failure** or restriction had not occurred.

Your schedule will show if business trends cover applies and the additional percentage amount.

Under insurance

If, at the time of insured damage, insured failure or restriction, we establish that:

- 1. the annualised amount insured; or
- 2. the annualised declared amount, where you are covered on a first loss limit basis;

does not represent **your** actual **income** or **your** actual **gross profit** during the 12 months immediately preceding the date of the **insured damage**, **insured failure** or restriction, **we** will reduce the amount **we** pay in the proportion that the premium **you** have paid bears to the premium **we** would have charged **you** if **you** had declared **your** actual **income** or **your** actual **gross profit**.

We will only apply this calculation if:

- we establish that the annualised amount insured is less than 85% of your actual income or your actual gross profit during the 12 months immediately preceding the start of the period of insurance; and
- we establish that your failure to declare your actual income or your actual gross
  profit was not deliberate or reckless and was a breach of your obligation to make a
  fair presentation of the risk to us before the start of the period of insurance.

This remedy may apply in addition to General condition 2. b.ii. If **your** failure to declare **your** actual **income** or **your** actual **gross profit** was deliberate or reckless, the remedy under General condition 2.a. will apply.

**We** will not apply a reduction for under insurance where the schedule shows either the **amount insured** or the **indemnity period** as 'unlimited'.

## Your obligations

If any damage occurs

We will not make any payment under this section unless you notify us promptly of any damage or event which might prevent or hinder you from carrying on your activities.

Cancellation and abandonment

For the postponement, abandonment, cancellation or relocation of any promotional event for **your activities you** must take reasonable steps to prevent or mitigate any loss including, but not limited to taking reasonable steps to:

- a. ensure that there is an agreement evidenced in writing between **you** and any third-party engaged by **you** for the promotional event;
- b. rearranging a cancelled or abandoned promotional event; and
- c. ensure that any **property** to be used at the promotional event arrives in good time.



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If you do not, we may reduce any payment we make under this section by an amount equal to the detriment we have suffered as a result.

Where the damage involves property you own or are legally responsible for, we will not make any payment unless **you** have property insurance in force covering the **damage** and payment has been made, or liability admitted, under that insurance for the **damage**.

Accounts records You must keep a record of all amounts owed to you and keep a copy of the record away from the insured premises. If you do not, we may reduce any payment we make under

this section by an amount equal to the detriment we have suffered as a result.

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