



Professional insurance portfolio

Policy wording

A seamless integrated insurance solution for professionals.

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Our promise to you

In return for the premium **you** have paid, **we** agree to insure **you** in accordance with the terms and conditions of the **policy**.

Steve Langan
Managing Director, Hiscox UK and Ireland

Complaints procedure

Hiscox aims to ensure that all aspects of **your** insurance are dealt with promptly, efficiently and fairly. At all times Hiscox are committed to providing **you** with the highest standard of service. If **you** have any concerns about **your policy** or **you** are dissatisfied about the handling of a claim and wish to complain **you** should, in the first instance, contact Hiscox Customer Relations in writing at:

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Hiscox House
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or by telephone on +44 (0)1206 773705
or by email at customer.relations@hiscox.com.

Where **you** are not satisfied with the final response from Hiscox, **you** may also have the right to refer **your** complaint to the Financial Services Ombudsman. For more information regarding the scope of the Financial Services Ombudsman, please refer to www.financialombudsman.ie.

General definitions	Words shown in bold type have the same meaning wherever they appear in this policy . The words defined below are used throughout this policy . Any other definitions are shown in the section to which they apply.
Asbestos risks	<ol style="list-style-type: none">The mining, processing, manufacturing, use, testing, ownership, sale or removal of asbestos, asbestos fibres or material containing asbestos; orexposure to asbestos, asbestos fibres or materials containing asbestos; orthe provision of instructions, recommendations, notices, warnings, supervision or advice given, or which should have been given, in connection with asbestos, asbestos fibres or structures or materials containing asbestos.
Business	Your business or profession as shown in the schedule.
Confiscation	Confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, expropriation, deprivation, destruction of or damage to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority.
Date recognition	Any failure by any equipment (including any hardware or software) to correctly recognise any given date or to process any data or to operate properly due to any failure to correctly recognise any given date.
Endorsement	A change to the terms of the policy .
Excess	The amount you must bear as the first part of each agreed claim or loss.
Geographical limits	The geographical area shown in the schedule.
Nuclear risks	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Any sort of nuclear material, nuclear reaction, nuclear radiation or radioactive contamination;any products or services which include, involve or relate in any way to anything in a. above, or the storage, handling or disposal of anything in a. above;all operations carried out on any site or premises on which anything in a. or b. above is located.
Period of insurance	The time for which this policy is in force as shown in the schedule.
Policy	This insurance document and the schedule, including any endorsements .
Programme	A set of instructions written in a computer language which tells a computer how to process data or interact with ancillary equipment.
Terrorism	An act, or the threat of an act, by any person or group of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation or government, that: <ol style="list-style-type: none">is committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes; andis intended to influence any government or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear; and<ol style="list-style-type: none">involves violence against one or more persons; orinvolves damage to property; orendangers life other than that of the person committing the action; orcreates a risk to health or safety of the public or a section of the public; oris designed to interfere with or to disrupt an electronic system.
Virus	Programmes that are secretly introduced without your permission or knowledge including, but not limited to, malware, worms, trojans, rootkits, spyware, dishonest adware, crimeware and other malicious unwanted software.
War	War, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power.
We/us/our	The insurer named in the schedule.

You/your

The insured named in the schedule.

Conditions precedent

General Conditions 2, 3 and 4 below, general claims condition 1 and the conditions shown in each section under the heading **your obligations** are all conditions precedent to **our** liability. **We** will not make any payment under this insurance unless **you** comply with all the requirements of those conditions.

General conditions

The following conditions apply to the whole of this **policy**. Any other conditions are shown in the section to which they apply.

Basis of insurance

1. Because of its importance, all information which **you** or anyone on **your** behalf provided before **we** agreed to insure **you** is incorporated into and forms the basis of this **policy**.

All facts and matters which might be relevant to **our** consideration of **your** proposal must be disclosed and all material representations made to **us** must be true, otherwise **we** are entitled to treat this insurance as if it had never existed.

Change of circumstances

2. **You** must tell **us** as soon as reasonably possible of any change in circumstances during the **period of insurance** which may materially affect this **policy**. (A material fact or circumstance is one which might affect **our** decision to provide insurance or the conditions of that insurance.) **We** may then change the terms and conditions of this **policy**.

Due diligence

3. **You** must take reasonable steps to prevent accident or injury and to protect **your** property against loss or damage. **You** must keep any property insured under this **policy** in good condition and repair.

Premium payment

4. **We** will not make any payment under this **policy** unless **you** have paid the premium.

Cancellation

5. **You** or **we** can cancel the **policy** by giving 30 days written notice. **We** will give **you** a pro rata refund of the premium for the remaining portion of the **period of insurance** after the effective date of cancellation for which **you** have already paid. However, **we** will not refund any premium under €10.

If **we** have agreed that **you** can pay **us** the premium by installments and **we** have not received an instalment 14 days after the due date, **we** may cancel the **policy**. In this event, the **period of insurance** will equate to the period for which premium installments have been paid to **us**. **We** will confirm the cancellation and amended **period of insurance** to **you** in writing.

Multiple insureds

6. The most **we** will pay is the relevant amount shown in the schedule.

If more than one insured is named in the schedule, the total amount **we** will pay will not exceed the amount **we** would be liable to pay to any one of **you**.

You agree that the insured named in the schedule, or if there is more than one insured named in the schedule the first of them, is authorised to receive all notices and agree any amendments to the **policy**.

Aggregate limit

7. Where this **policy** specifies an aggregate limit, this means **our** maximum payment for all relevant claims or losses covered under the **policy** during the **period of insurance**.

If the **period of insurance** is continuous, the aggregate limit will apply to all relevant claims or losses covered under the **policy** during the 12 months from the date the continuous cover starts. Each aggregate limit will be reinstated to the level shown in the schedule at each anniversary.

Other insurance

8. **We** will not make any payment under this **policy** where **you** would be entitled to be paid under any other insurance if this **policy** did not exist except in respect of any amount in excess of the amount that would have been payable under such other insurance had this **policy** not been effected. If such other insurance is provided by **us** the most **we** will pay under this **policy** will be reduced by the amount payable under such other insurance.

Governing law

9. Unless some other law is agreed in writing, this **policy** will be governed by the laws of Ireland.

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Arbitration

10. Any dispute arising out of or relating to this insurance, including over its construction, application and validity, will be referred to a single arbitrator in accordance with the Arbitration Act then in force. The arbitrator will be an experienced member of the Irish Bar. If agreement cannot be reached on a suitable arbitrator, one will be chosen by the Chairman of the Bar Council of Ireland.

General claims conditions

The following claims conditions apply to the whole of this **policy**. Any other claims conditions and procedures are shown in the section to which they apply.

Your obligations

1. **We** will not make any payment under this **policy** unless **you**:
 - a. give **us** prompt notice of anything which is likely to give rise to a claim under this **policy**, in accordance with the terms of each section;
 - b. give **us**, at **your** expense, any information which **we** may reasonably require and co-operate fully in the investigation of any claim under this **policy**;
 - c. make every reasonable effort to minimise any loss, damage or liability and take appropriate emergency measures immediately if they are required to reduce any claim;
 - d. give **us** all assistance which **we** may reasonably require **to** pursue recovery of amounts **we** may become liable to pay under this **policy**, in **your** name but at **our** expense.

Fraud

2. If **you**, or anyone on **your** behalf, tries to deceive **us** by deliberately giving **us** false information or making a fraudulent claim under this **policy** then **we** will treat this **policy** as if it had never existed.

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

Special definitions for this section

Bodily injury	Death, or any bodily or mental injury or disease of any person.
Defence costs	Costs incurred with our prior written agreement to investigate, settle or defend a claim against you .
Denial of access	Nuisance, trespass or interference with any easement or right of air, light, water or way.
Inefficacy	The failure of any of your products or any service, process or system provided or managed by you to perform the function or serve the purpose for which it was intended.
Personal injury	False arrest, detention or imprisonment; malicious prosecution; wrongful entry into, or eviction of a person from, a room, dwelling or premises that they occupy; invasion of any rights of privacy.
Pollution	Any pollution or contamination, including noise, electromagnetic fields, radiation and radio waves.
Products	Any goods sold, supplied, distributed, manufactured, constructed, erected, installed, altered, tested, serviced, maintained, repaired, cleaned or treated by you .
Property damage	Physical loss of or damage to or destruction of tangible property including the resulting loss of use of such property.
Tool of trade	Mobile plant or equipment being used where insurance or security is not required under the provisions of any road traffic legislation.
You/your	Also includes any person who was, is or during the period of insurance becomes your partner or director or senior manager in actual control of your operations.

What is covered

Claims against you	<p>If, as a result of your business, any party brings a claim against you for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">bodily injury or property damage occurring during the period of insurance;personal injury or denial of access committed during the period of insurance; <p>we will indemnify you against the sums you have to pay as compensation.</p> <p>This includes a claim against any employee or volunteer worker of yours when they are acting on your behalf in whatever capacity.</p> <p>We will also pay defence costs but we will not pay costs for any part of a claim not covered by this section.</p>
Overseas personal liability	<p>We will indemnify you and if you so request, any of your directors, partners or any employee or spouse of such person against legal liability as a result of bodily injury, property damage or personal injury incurred in a personal capacity whilst temporarily outside the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland other than:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">where indemnity arises out of the ownership or occupation of land or buildings;where indemnity is provided by any other insurance.
Claims against principals	<p>If, as a result of your business, any party brings a claim, which falls within the scope of What is covered, Claims against you, against a customer of your business for whom you are providing services under contract or agreement and you are liable for that claim, we will treat such claim as if made against you and make the same payment to such customer that we would have made to you, provided that the party to be indemnified:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">has not, in our reasonable opinion, caused or contributed to the claim against them;accepts that we can control the claim's defence and settlement in accordance with the terms of this section;

- c. has not admitted liability or prejudiced the defence of the claim before **we** are notified of it;
- d. gives **us** the information and co-operation **we** reasonably require for dealing with the claim.

Cross liabilities

If more than one insured is named in the schedule, **we** will deal with any claim as though a separate policy had been issued to each of them provided that **our** liability in the aggregate shall not exceed the limit of indemnity shown in the schedule.

Criminal proceedings costs

If any governmental, administrative or regulatory body brings any criminal action against **you** during the **period of insurance** for any breach of statute or regulation directly relating to any actual or potential claim under this section, **we** will pay the costs incurred with **our** prior written consent to defend such an action against **you** or any employee of **yours**.

Additional cover

Court attendance compensation

If any person within the definition of **you** has to attend court as a witness in connection with a claim against **you** covered under this section, **we** will pay **you** compensation for each day, or part of a day that their attendance is required by **our** solicitor.

What is not covered

Property for which you are responsible

- A. **We** will not make any payment for any claim or loss directly or indirectly due to:
1. loss of or damage to any property belonging to **you** or which at the time of the loss or damage is in **your** care, custody or control. This does not apply to:
 - a. employees' or visitors' vehicles or effects while on **your** premises;
 - b. premises, including their contents, which are not owned or rented by **you**, where **you** are temporarily carrying out **your business**;
 - c. premises rented to **you**, for loss or damage not insurable under property insurance policies and for which **you** would not be liable other than by the lease or other agreement.
 2. the ownership, possession, maintenance or use by **you** or on **your** behalf of any aircraft or other aerial device, hovercraft, watercraft (other than hand propelled or sailing craft less than 20 feet in length in inland or territorial waters) or any mechanically propelled vehicles and their trailers.

This does not apply to:

 - a. any **tool of trade**;
 - b. the loading or unloading of any vehicle off the highway.

Injury to employees

3. **bodily injury** to any person arising out of and in the course of their employment under a contract of service or apprenticeship with **you**.

Pollution

4.
 - a.
 - i. any **pollution** of buildings or other structures or of water or land or the atmosphere; or
 - ii. any **bodily injury** or **property damage** directly or indirectly caused by **pollution**; unless caused by a sudden, identifiable, unintended and unexpected incident which occurs in its entirety at a specific time and place during the **period of insurance**;
 - b. any **pollution** occurring in the United States of America or Canada.

Computer virus

5. transmission of a computer **virus**.

Professional advice

6. designs, plans, specifications, formulae, directions or advice prepared or given by **you**.

Your products

7. the costs of recalling, removing, repairing, reconditioning or replacing any **product** or any of its parts.
8.
 - a. any **products** relating to aircraft, including missiles or spacecraft, and any ground support or control equipment used in connection with such **products**;
 - b. any **products** installed in aircraft, including missiles or spacecraft, or used in connection with such craft, or for tooling used in their manufacture including ground-handling tools and equipment, training aids, instruction manuals, blueprints, engineering or other data, advice and services and labour relating to such craft or **products**.

Inefficacy	9. inefficacy.
Deliberate or reckless acts	10. any act, breach, omission or infringement you deliberately, spitefully, dishonestly or recklessly commit, condone or ignore which could reasonably be expected to cause injury or damage to another party even if such injury or damage is of a different degree or type than could reasonably have been anticipated.
Contracts	11. your liability under any contract which is greater than the liability you would have at law without the contract.
Date recognition	12. date recognition.
War, terrorism and nuclear	13. war, terrorism or nuclear risks.
Asbestos	14. asbestos risks.
	B. We will not make any payment for:
Restricted recovery rights	1. that part of any claim where your right of recovery is restricted by any contract.
Non-compensatory payments	2. fines and contractual penalties, punitive or exemplary damages.
Claims outside the applicable courts	3. any claim, including arbitration, brought outside the countries set out in the schedule under applicable courts. This applies to proceedings in the applicable courts to enforce, or which are based on, a judgment or award from outside the applicable courts.
Claims outside the geographical limits	4. any claim brought against you resulting from work you undertake in any country outside the geographical limits.

How much we will pay

We will pay up to the limit of indemnity shown in the schedule for each actual or threatened claim, unless limited below. **We** will also pay for **defence costs**. However, if a payment greater than the limit of indemnity has to be made for a claim **our** liability for **defence costs** will be limited to the same proportion that the limit of indemnity bears to the amount paid. **You** must pay the **excess** for each claim.

All claims which arise from the same original cause, a single source or a repeated or continuing shortcoming in **your** work will be regarded as one claim.

Special limits

Products	For claims arising from your products , the most we will pay is a single limit of indemnity for the total of all such claims. We will also pay for defence costs for those claims until the limit of indemnity has been exhausted. You must pay the relevant excess shown in the schedule.
Pollution	For claims arising from pollution , the most we will pay is a single limit of indemnity for the total of all such claims and their defence costs , including any claims forming part of a series of other claims regarded as one claim under this section. The most we will pay for defence costs in relation to pollution claims is the amount shown in the schedule. You must pay the relevant excess shown in the schedule.
Claims brought against you in USA or Canada	If it is stated in the schedule that cover is provided for claims brought in the United States of America or Canada, the most we will pay is a single limit of indemnity for the total of all such claims and their defence costs . You must pay the relevant excess shown in the schedule.
Criminal proceedings costs	The most we will pay for the costs to defend criminal proceedings is the amount shown in the schedule. This applies to all actions brought against you during the period of insurance .
Court attendance compensation	We will pay you the following compensation for each day, or part day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. You or your partner or director €325 2. Any other employee €130 The most we will pay for the total of all court attendance compensation is €.

Paying out the limit of indemnity

At any stage **we** can pay **you** the applicable limit of indemnity or what remains after any earlier payment from that limit. **We** will pay **defence costs** already incurred at the date of **our** payment. **We** will then have no further liability for those claims or their **defence costs**.

Your obligations

If a problem arises

We will not make any payment under this section:

1. unless **you** notify **us** promptly of any claim or threatened claim against **you**. For claims arising out of **bodily injury**, **you** must notify **us** immediately and in any event within seven days of a claim or anything which may give rise to a claim under this section. At our request, **you** must confirm the facts in writing within 30 days with as much information as is available.
You should make this notification directly to **us** (and **your** insurance adviser, if **you** have one) as follows, ensuring you quote your policy number:
by email to: liability.claims@hiscox.com; or
by post to: Hiscox Liability Claims, 25 London Road, Sittingbourne ME10 1PE, United Kingdom.
2. unless you notify **us** as soon as practicable of:
 - a. **your** discovery that **products** are defective;
 - b. any threatened criminal action by any governmental, administrative or regulatory body.
3. if, when dealing with **your** client or a third-party, **you** admit that **you** are liable for what has happened or make any offer, deal or payment, unless **you** have **our** prior written agreement. **You** must also not reveal the amount of cover available under this insurance, unless **you** had to give these details in negotiating a contract with **your** client or have **our** prior written agreement.

Correcting problems

We will not make any payment for **products** claims if **you** fail to take reasonable steps to remedy or rectify, at **your** expense, any defect or failure in the goods or services **you** have supplied to a client, customer or distributor.

Control of defence

We have the right, but not the obligation, to take control of and conduct in **your** name, the investigation, settlement or defence of any claim. If **we** think it necessary **we** will appoint an adjuster, solicitor or any other appropriate person to deal with the claim. **We** may appoint **your** own solicitor but on a similar-fee basis as **our** solicitor and only for work done with **our** prior written approval. Proceedings will only be defended if there is a reasonable prospect of success and taking into account the commercial considerations of the costs of defence.

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

Special definitions for this section

Bodily injury	Death or any bodily or mental injury or disease.
Defence costs	Costs incurred with our prior written agreement to investigate, settle or defend a claim against you .
Employee	<p>Any person normally resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Republic of Ireland working for you in connection with your business who is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. employed by you under a contract of service or apprenticeship;b. hired to or borrowed by you;c. self-employed and working on a labour-only basis under your control or supervision;d. engaged by labour-only sub-contractors;e. a labour master or a person supplied by him;f. engaged under a work experience or training scheme;g. a voluntary helper.
Terrorism	An act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat of force or violence, of any person or group of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation or government, committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

What is covered

Claims against you	<p>If any employee brings a claim against you for bodily injury caused to them during the period of insurance arising out of their work for you within the geographical limits, we will indemnify you against the sums you have to pay as compensation.</p> <p>The amount we pay will include defence costs but we will not pay costs for any part of a claim not covered by this section.</p>
Criminal proceedings	If any governmental, administrative or regulatory body brings any criminal action against you during the period of insurance for any breach of statute or regulation directly relating to any actual or potential claim under this section, we will pay the costs incurred with our prior written consent to defend such an action against you .
Claims against principals	<p>If, as a result of your business, any party brings a claim, which falls within the scope of What is covered, Claims against you, against a customer of your business for whom you are providing services under contract or agreement and you are liable for that claim, we will treat such claim as if made against you and make the same payment to such customer that we would have made to you, provided that the party to be indemnified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. has not, in our reasonable opinion, caused or contributed to the claim against them;b. accepts that we can control the claim's defence and settlement in accordance with the terms of this section;c. has not admitted liability or prejudiced the defence of the claim before we are notified of it;d. gives us the information and co-operation we reasonably require for dealing with the claim.
Unsatisfied court judgments	If any employee obtains a judgment for damages following bodily injury against any company or individual operating from premises within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, Channel Islands or the Republic of Ireland and that judgment remains unpaid for more than six months, we will pay to the employee at your request the amount of any unpaid damages and awarded costs provided that:

- a. the **bodily injury** is caused during the **period of insurance** and arises out of and in the course of his or her employment in **your business**; and
- b. **we** would have covered **your** liability if **you** had caused the **bodily injury**; and
- c. there is no appeal outstanding; and
- d. the **employee** assigns his or her judgment to **us**.

Additional cover

Court attendance compensation

If any person within the definition of **you** has to attend court as a witness in connection with a claim against **you** covered under this section, **we** will pay **you** compensation for each day, or part of a day, that their attendance is required by **our** solicitor.

What is not covered

We will not make any payment for:

1. any claim or loss directly or indirectly due to:
 - a. any act, breach or omission **you** deliberately or recklessly commit, condone or ignore.
 - b. any **bodily injury** caused to any of **your employees** while they are offshore. An **employee** is regarded as being offshore from the moment they board any form of transport at the departure point for an offshore rig or platform until the moment they disembark on their return from the rig or platform.
 - c. any **bodily injury** to any **employee** while being carried in or upon, or entering or getting onto, or alighting from a vehicle for which insurance or security is required under any road traffic legislation or where **you** are entitled to indemnity from any other source.
2. any claim, including arbitration, brought outside the countries set out in the schedule under applicable courts.

This applies to proceedings in the applicable courts to enforce, or which are based on, judgment or award from outside the applicable courts.

How much we will pay

We will pay up to the limit of indemnity shown in the schedule, unless limited below, for all claims and their **defence costs** which arise from the same accident or event.

Special limits

- Terrorism
- The most **we** will pay for claims and their **defence costs** arising from **terrorism** is the amount shown in the schedule. If **we** decide that this limit applies to a claim, it is **your** responsibility to prove that the claim does not arise from **terrorism**.
- Criminal proceedings costs
- We** will pay up to the amount shown in the schedule for the costs to defend criminal proceedings. This applies to all actions brought against **you** during the **period of insurance**.
- Court attendance compensation
- We** will pay **you** the following compensation for each day, or part day:
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| 1. You or your partner or director | €325 |
| 2. Any other employee | €130 |
- The most **we** will pay for the total of all court attendance compensation is €13,000.

Your obligations

We will not make any payment under this section:

- If a problem arises
1. unless **you** notify **us** promptly of any claim or threatened claim against **you**. For claims arising out of **bodily injury**, **you** must notify **us** immediately and in any event within seven days of a claim or anything which may give rise to a claim under this section. At our request, **you** must confirm the facts in writing within 30 days with as much information as is available.



Employers' liability

Policy wording

You should make this notification directly to **us** (and **your** insurance adviser, if **you** have one) as follows, ensuring **you** quote **your policy** number:

by email to: liability.claims@hiscox.com

by post to: Hiscox Liability Claims, 25 London Road, Sittingbourne ME10 1PE, United Kingdom.

2. unless **you** notify **us** as soon as practicable of any threatened criminal action by any governmental, administrative or regulatory body.
3. if, when dealing with **your employee** or a third-party, **you** admit that **you** are liable for what has happened or make any offer, deal or payment, unless **you** have **our** prior written agreement.

Control of defence

We have the right, but not the obligation, to take control of and conduct in **your** name, the investigation, settlement or defence of any claim. If **we** think it necessary **we** will appoint an adjuster, solicitor or any other appropriate person to deal with the claim. **We** may appoint **your** own solicitor but on a similar-fee basis as **our** solicitor and only for work done with **our** prior written approval. Proceedings will only be defended if there is a reasonable prospect of success and taking into account the commercial considerations of the costs of defence.

Compulsory insurance clause

This insurance is in accordance with the provisions of any law relating to compulsory insurance of liability to employees in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands or the Continental Shelf around these countries. **You** must repay all payments **we** make which **we** would not have been liable to pay in the absence of such law.

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

Special definitions for this section

Hacker	Anyone who maliciously targets you and gains unauthorised access to your website, intranet, computer system, network, telephony equipment or data that you hold electronically.
Personal effects	Articles worn, used or carried about the person.
Portable equipment	Portable equipment used in connection with your business which belongs to you or for which you are legally responsible, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. computers including laptops and tablets;2. mobile phones;3. television and video equipment;4. tools;5. accessories associated with any of the above;6. goods held in trust.

What is covered

We will insure **you** against **damage** occurring during the **period of insurance** to **portable equipment** within the **geographical limits**.

Additional cover

The following are also provided up to the amount shown in the schedule:

Reconstitution of electronic data	1. the reasonable costs of reconstituting the data you need to continue your business , if your electronic business records and electronic data have been lost or distorted as a direct result of damage covered under this section.
Additions to portable equipment	2. damage occurring during the period of insurance to any additional portable equipment , provided you tell us the additional values as soon as possible and pay the appropriate premium.

What is not covered

We will not make any payment for:

1. **damage** caused by:
 - a. wear and tear, inherent defect, rot, fungus, mould, vermin or infestation or any gradually operating cause;
 - b. theft or attempted theft from an unattended vehicle unless the item is out of sight in a locked boot or locked storage compartment;
 - c. a **virus** or **hacker**;
 - d. dryness or humidity, being exposed to light or extreme temperatures, unless the **damage** is caused by **storm** or fire.
2. **damage** to **portable equipment** away from the **business premises** unless the **portable equipment** is in **your** care, custody, or control at all times or otherwise secured in a locked hotel room or safe, or other similar securely locked room or premises.
3. **damage** to **portable equipment** being cleaned, worked on or maintained.
4. **damage** to any **portable equipment** directly resulting from its own **failure**.
5. **damage** to **personal effects**.
6. misuse, inadequate or inappropriate maintenance, faulty workmanship, defective design or the use of faulty materials.
7. loss or distortion of information resulting from error or malfunction of **portable equipment**.
8. the value to **you** of any lost or distorted information.

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9. unexplained loss or disappearance.
10. loss by fraud or dishonesty of any partner, director or employee of **yours**, unless the loss is notified to **us** within ten working days of its discovery by **you**.
11.
 - a. **damage** directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with **terrorism** or any action taken to control, prevent or respond to **terrorism**;
 - b. **damage** in Northern Ireland directly or indirectly caused by civil commotion.
If there is any dispute between **you** and **us** over the application of this exclusion, it will be for **you** to show that the exclusion does not apply.
12. any indirect losses which result from the incident which caused **you** to claim.
13. **war, confiscation and nuclear risks**.
14. the amount of the **excess**.

How much we will pay

Repair and replacement

We will pay up to the **amount insured** shown in the schedule unless limited below or in the schedule.

At **our** option **we** will repair, replace or pay for any lost or damaged items on the following basis:

1. for **portable equipment** the cost of repair or replacement as new;
2. for goods held in trust, the lesser of:
 - i. **your** liability in respect of the goods held in trust;
 - ii. the cost of repair or replacement at the trade market value of such goods.

Under insurance

If, at the time of **damage**, the **amount insured** is less than 85% of the total value of the **portable equipment**, the amount **we** pay will be reduced in the same proportion as the under insurance.

Other interests

Any payment **we** make will take into account the interest of any party having an insurable interest in the **portable equipment** insured, provided **you** have advised **us** of the nature and extent of the interest together with the name and address of that interested party.

Your obligations

If any damage occurs

We will not make any payment under this section unless **you** notify **us** promptly of any **damage** which might be covered.

You must report to the police or relevant local authority, as soon as reasonably possible, any **damage** arising from theft, attempted theft, arson, malicious damage, riot or civil commotion and obtain a crime reference from them.

You must arrange for urgent repairs to be done immediately. Before any other repair work begins **we** have the right to inspect the damaged **portable equipment**. **We** will tell **you** if **we** want to do this.

Backing-up electronic data

We will not make any payment for reconstitution of electronic data unless **you** take all reasonable steps to make back-up copies of all such data at least once a week and keep the copies away from the **business premises**.