



CONSUMER - TERMS OF BUSINESS AGREEMENT

ACCEPTING OUR TERMS OF BUSINESS

Please read this document carefully. It sets out the terms and conditions on which we agree to act for you and contains details of our respective responsibilities. By asking us to quote for, arrange or handle your insurance, you are providing your informed agreement to these Terms of Business. Please contact us immediately if there is anything in these Terms of Business which you do not understand or with which you disagree.

ABOUT US

'We/us/our' means McGrady Insurance which is a trading name of McGrady Limited. Company Number NI006094. Our registered office is Rathmore House, 52 St Patrick's Avenue, Downpatrick BT30 6DS. We are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority under FCA Register number 301016. You can check this by visiting the FCA website www.fca.org.uk/register or by contacting the FCA on 0800 111 6768. We are an insurance intermediary and our permitted business is arranging, advising, dealing as agent and assisting in the administration and performance of general insurance contracts and credit broking. We are registered with the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) – you can check this by visiting www.ico.org.uk.

EXPLAINING OUR SERVICE

We act on your behalf in sourcing a suitable policy for you. We provide advice on the basis of a fair and personal analysis of the market. We can place business with a range of insurers however for some specific cover types we may only deal with a single insurer or a limited number of insurers and do not advise on the basis of a fair and personal analysis of the market. In these cases we will advise you of this and specify the insurers that we deal with for that type of cover when placing and renewing your business. Your specific circumstances will dictate which approach is the most appropriate for you. The approach we adopt will be based on our knowledge of the market, the quality of an insurer's policy terms and claims service and the insurer's ability to provide definitive contract terms at inception of insurance.

Unless otherwise agreed in writing the scope of our service to you is to provide advice and make recommendations on appropriate policies after we have assessed your demands and needs; arrange and administer policies on your behalf and provide assistance with any claims occurring during the policy period. We may also offer you carefully selected products or services connected with your insurance. Such products and services are sold separately and are non-compulsory.

We may at times act on behalf of the insurer under a delegated authority agreement whereby we are able to quote or issue policy documentation on their behalf. Where we recommend a policy with an insurer where we act under a delegated authority agreement we will advise you of this.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

We are a subsidiary of Global Risk Partners Limited which controls a number of insurance intermediaries. We may sometimes approach other group companies (and/or associated companies of the Group) to provide quotes and may recommend their products if they are assessed to meet your needs. It is our aim to avoid any potential or actual conflicts of interest in our dealings with you. If a conflict does arise, we will advise you of this in writing and obtain your permission before proceeding. These terms of business will not prevent us from acting for other clients who may be competitors of yours. In the event that we identify such a conflict of interest in our providing any service to you we will notify you immediately and where we are able to do so, agree how to continue to provide those services.

COMPLAINTS

It is our policy to promote the highest standard of service for our clients. We endeavour to ensure that all complaints are resolved satisfactorily and in a timely manner. If you have a complaint about our services, you may contact the member of our staff with whom you normally deal. Alternatively please contact our Compliance Officer at the address below:

The Compliance Officer, McGrady Insurance, Rathmore House, 52 St. Patrick's Avenue, Downpatrick, Co. Down, BT30 6DS

Phone: 028 4461 5933 | Email: info@mcgradyinsurance.co.uk. You may make your complaint either orally or in writing. We will acknowledge receipt of your complaint promptly in writing and give you our response at the time, if we can. If following receipt of our final response or after eight weeks if we have not yet provided you with our final response, if you are an eligible complainant, you have the right to refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). Further information is available on their website below:

Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR

Phone: 0800 023 4567 | Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Who is an Eligible Complainant:

- Any private individual
- Any business which has an annual turnover of less than £6.5 million and employs fewer than 50 employees or has a balance sheet total of less than £5 million (small business)
- A charity which has an annual income of less than £6.5 million
- A trustee of a trust which has a net asset value of less than £5 million
- An individual who has given a guarantee or security in respect of an obligation or liability of a small business



PAYMENT FOR OUR SERVICES

Payment for our services may be made by way of:

- a) commission which we receive from insurers which is a percentage of the annual premium
- b) where you have purchased a service we earn a fee from the suppliers which is a percentage of the purchase price
- c) a fee which we agree with you in advance
- d) administration fees (see Information on Costs below).

Payment for our services may be a combination of a), b), c) and/or d). If the type of policy we sell and/or our overall account with the insurer reaches specific profit targets we may receive an additional payment from the insurer. Some insurers may make additional payments to us in respect of work we undertake on their behalf. Where you pay your premiums by monthly instalments we receive a payment from the finance provider for introducing you which is a percentage of the amount financed. You can ask us at any time for full details of the income earned by us in handling your insurance. Full details of any fees charged will be advised to you prior to inception of your policy.

INFORMATION ON COSTS

When taking out a policy with us we will charge you an administration fee of £30. We charge £30 for arranging and renewing cover, mid-term changes, cancelling cover, duplicate/replacement documents, confirmation of cover letters for clients who are no longer insured by us and unpaid cheques. Full details of any fees charged by us will be advised to you prior to inception/renewal of your policy. All fees will be shown on your renewal notice and any fees applied in respect of new business will be advised at quotation stage. For each transaction we conduct we will issue you with a receipt showing the amount of any monies paid. If we cancel a policy due to non-payment, we reserve the right to recover any discounts allowed by us during the term of your policy after cancellation. Subject to any regulatory requirements placed on us, brokerage and fees are earned for the specific policy period and we will be entitled to retain all fees and brokerage in respect of the full policy period for any policies placed by us

HANDLING YOUR MONEY

Client money is money of any currency that we receive and hold on behalf of our clients in the course of carrying on business as an insurance intermediary, or money that we treat as client money in accordance with the FCA Client Money Rules. We may also hold premiums as agent of the insurance undertaking, in which case any money received by us is deemed to have been received by the insurance undertaking. We hold client money in a statutory trust account. By paying your premiums you are agreeing to us holding client money in the manner above.

We will retain any interest earned on the client money we hold.

We may transfer client money to another person, such as another broker or settlement agent, for the purpose of effecting a transaction on your behalf through that person.

MARKET SECURITY

We check the financial strength ratings of the insurers with whom we place your business using specialist rating agencies. Occasionally it may be necessary to seek from you, specific written approval for use of a proposed insurer, for example where use of an insurer has been requested by you and/or where there is no applied rating from a rating agency. We do not assess or guarantee the solvency of any insurer at any time during the contract period. If an insurer who has granted risk transfer to us becomes insolvent, any related premiums we hold for that insurer are deemed to have been paid to them and will not be returnable to you. In the event of any insurer's insolvency you may still have a liability to pay premium. We do not accept any liability for any unpaid amounts in respect of claims or return premiums due to you from a participating insurer who becomes insolvent or delays settlement. You will also additionally have the responsibility for payment of premiums if you require replacement security.

PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS

You must pay your premiums on or prior to the inception date of the policy or within the timescale specified in the debit note we send you. Failure to pay premiums by the date specified may lead to cancellation of your insurances by insurers. In addition, where a premium payment warranty applies failure to pay the premiums in accordance with the warranty will result in the automatic suspension of your policies until payment is made even if the insurer chooses not to issue notice of cancellation of your insurances. The insurer will not be liable for any loss suffered during any period of suspension.

If any direct debit or other payment due in respect of the credit agreement you entered into to pay insurance premiums is not met when presented for payment or if you end the credit agreement with the finance provider, if you do not make other arrangements with us to pay the insurance premiums your policy may be cancelled. You will be responsible for paying any time on risk charge and putting in place any alternative insurance and/or payment arrangements you need.

PREMIUM FINANCE

We are a credit broker who may use third party lenders to provide premium finance loans to customers who prefer to pay by instalments. Please note credit is subject to status and is not guaranteed. If paying by instalments, please refer to your credit agreement for full conditions, charges and consequences of defaults.



DUTY OF DISCLOSURE

If you are a consumer insured (an individual buying insurance wholly or mainly for purposes unrelated to your trade, business or profession) you have a duty to take reasonable care to answer the insurer's questions fully and accurately and to ensure that any information that you volunteer is not misleading. This duty exists before your cover is placed, when it is renewed and any time that it is varied, and your policy wording may provide that it continues for the duration of the policy. If you do not do this, your insurer may be able to impose different terms on your cover, may charge you a higher premium or, in some circumstances, may be able to avoid your policy from inception and any claims under it would not be paid.

FAIR PRESENTATION

If you are a business insured (i.e. an insured who has bought insurance wholly or mainly for purposes related to their trade, business or profession) the business has a duty to disclose to the insurer every material circumstance which it knows or ought to know after reasonable search. This is the case before your cover is placed, when it is renewed and any time that it is varied. Your policy wording may also provide that this duty continues for the duration of the policy. A circumstance is material if it would influence an insurer's judgment in determining whether to take the risk and, if so, on what terms. If you are in any doubt whether a circumstance is material we recommend that it should be disclosed. Failure to disclose a material circumstance may entitle an insurer to impose different terms on your cover or proportionately reduce the amount of any claim payable. In some circumstances an insurer will be entitled to avoid the policy from inception and in this event any claims under the policy would not be paid.

FAILURE TO DISCLOSE A MATERIAL FACT

Insurers have differing remedies depending on the nature of the non-disclosure and what would have happened had you fairly presented the risk:

Deliberate or reckless presentation of the risk:

Insurers are entitled to avoid the policy and retain all premiums

Failure to present the risk fairly but this was not deliberate or reckless:

This depends on how the insurer would have dealt with the policy had the risk been fairly presented. If they can demonstrate that they would not have provided the policy at all, they are entitled to avoid the policy, no claims would be payable and you would be entitled to a refund of the premium. If they can demonstrate that they would have provided the policy but on different terms, those terms will be applied to the policy from inception. If insurers would have provided the policy and charged an increased premium, claim settlements will be reduced by the proportion of the increased premium due.

WARRANTIES & CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

A warranty is a term in an insurance contract which must be strictly complied with. In accordance with The Insurance Act 2015, in the event that a warranty is breached, the insurer's liability may be suspended until the breach is remedied. Cover will be reinstated once the breach is rectified, however insurers may have no liability to pay losses occurring or attributable to something happening during any period of such suspension. Where a warranty or other term has been breached insurers may still be liable to pay claims occurring during the breach period provided the insured can prove that the breach did not increase the risk of the loss which actually occurred and the provision breached does not define the risk as a whole.

Please also take particular note of any conditions precedent that appear in the policy. If a condition precedent to the validity of this policy or to the commencement of the risk is not complied with - the insurer will not come on risk. If a condition precedent to the Insurer's liability under this policy is not complied with the insurer may not be liable for the loss in question. A condition precedent may exist in the policy using other terminology and without reference to the words 'conditions precedent'. It is very important that you read the full policy carefully and if you are unsure of or are unable to comply with any provisions - please contact us immediately.

FRAUD

Insurers will be entitled to terminate the policy from the date of the fraudulent claim or act but must still cover claims arising from incidents occurring before the date of the fraudulent act.

CONTRACTING OUT

Insurers may contract out of certain clauses of The Insurance Act 2015 (other than the Basis of Contract Clauses). We will advise you if your insurer exercises their right to contract out of any clauses.

HANDLING CLAIMS

In the event of an incident occurring which could give rise to a claim under your policy, you should notify us as soon as possible in accordance with your policy conditions. Failure to do so could prejudice your insurer's position and lead to the claim being repudiated or not paid in full.

When we receive notification of an incident that could give rise to a claim, we will respond promptly, explain how we will handle your claim and tell you what you need to do. We will give you reasonable guidance to help you make a claim under your policy.

If there is a conflict of interest, we shall only handle a claim on your behalf after we have disclosed to you all information you require, to enable you to decide whether to give your informed consent and you have given that consent.



CANCELLATION OF YOUR POLICY

We will advise you whether you have the right to cancel the policy and the conditions for exercising these rights prior to conclusion of any insurance policy. Full details of cancellation rights, notice periods and premium implications can be found in your policy document. Notice of cancellation of any statutory cover for which a certificate has been delivered must be in accordance with the conditions stated in your policy document. Where a policy is cancelled, other than during the cooling off period if applicable, we will retain any fees and commission for the full policy period.

USE OF PERSONAL DATA

We are committed to protecting your personal information. We will use personal information about you fairly and lawfully, primarily in connection with the provision of insurance. Full details can be found in our Privacy Notice at www.mcgradyinsurance.co.uk which specifies the information we may collect on you and from whom, how and why we use this information, how we may share and disclose the information and the retention of your data. In some instances we may need to seek your consent before processing such data. We will always make it clear to you when and why we are seeking your consent. A hard copy of the Privacy Notice is available on request.

You have a number of rights (including the right of access to see personal information about you that is held in our records) and these are detailed in the Privacy Policy but for any questions or concerns relating to the Privacy Policy or our data protection practices, or to make a subject access request, please contact us at:

Company Secretary, McGrady Ltd, 50 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3JY.

Instructions to inception or renew a policy can only be taken from the policyholder. If you wish to nominate someone to give instructions on your behalf in respect of mid-term adjustments to an existing policy - we require prior notice in writing. Should you have any queries please write to the Data Protection Officer, McGrady Limited, Rathmore House, 52 St Patrick's Avenue, Downpatrick, BT30 6DS. For security and training purposes all calls to and from our offices are recorded.

COMPENSATION

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if we cannot meet our obligations. Insurance advising and arranging is covered by the FSCS for 100% of your claim if it relates to compulsory insurance. For other cases, it is covered for 90% of the claim, with no upper limit. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS, via their website, www.fscs.org.uk or calling them on 0207 892 7300.

GOVERNING LAW & LANGUAGE

The relationship between us as broker and you as customer is governed by Northern Ireland law. If there is a dispute which cannot be resolved under our complaints procedure, it will only be dealt with in the courts of Northern Ireland. These terms of business are supplied only in the English language and all communications for the duration of our appointment will be in the English language unless, if you are a customer in a European Economic Area state other than the United Kingdom, you require otherwise.

SEVERABILITY

If any provision of these Terms of Business is found to be invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part, the validity of the other provisions of these Terms of Business and the remainder of the provision in question will not be affected

RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES

No provision of these Terms of Business will be enforceable, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, by any person other than you or us.

TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This agreement may be terminated at any time by mutual consent or by the other party giving 14 days notice in writing.