IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR INSURANCE SERVICES

This document provides important information about our insurance services and should be used by you to assess whether our services are right for you. By asking us to quote for, arrange or renew your insurance you are providing your informed consent to our terms of business.

ABOUT HOMEPROTECT

Homeprotect is a registered trademark and trading style of Avantia Insurance Limited which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). Our Firm Reference Number is 304432.

Our permitted business includes arranging non-investment insurance and providing retail premium finance to customers who wish to pay for their insurance policy using monthly Direct Debit.

You can check our permitted business on the FCA's Financial Services Register - https://register.fca.org.uk/. Or you can call them on 0300 500 8082.

We are an intermediary, acting on behalf of the following companies (each described in this document as 'the insurer'):

| Product | Insurer |
|------------------------|---|
| Buildings and Contents | AXA Insurance UK PLC |
| Home Emergency | ARAG Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited |
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| Key Protection | Motorplus Limited, trading as Coplus |

When you take out or renew a policy with us, we charge a percentage of the premium as commission.

When you choose to pay for your insurance policy using our retail premium finance option we charge 12% interest on the total annual cost of your policy, which is equivalent to an Annual Percentage Rate (APR) of 23.7% in the first policy year and 25.9% thereafter.

DEMANDS AND NEEDS

We don't offer a personal recommendation such as whether the product is right for you or how much cover you need. These decisions must be made by you.

Our policies are designed to cover you in lots of situations. But there are limits and exclusions, particularly if your property is unoccupied. That's why it's important to read the policy booklets for each of the products you're interested in. These are available here: https://www.homeprotect.co.uk/policy-booklet.

You can also access your policy documents via your online account:

https://customers.homeprotect.co.uk. Your policy documents include your sums insured, cover selections, excesses that apply in the event of a successful claim, and any special terms (called 'endorsements') which apply to your policy.

This policy can meet the demands and needs of those looking to insure their property and/or possessions in the following types of properties:

- Your permanent home, which you either own or lease
- An occupied secondary residence which you own, for example, a holiday home, a let property a weekend or weekday home
- An unoccupied property which you own

Cover is provided based on the answers you have provided us with.

OUR SERVICES

Our services include:

- Arranging and renewing insurance on your behalf, and issuing you with your policy documentation
- Provision of retail premium finance, should you choose to pay for our insurance policy via monthly Direct Debit instalments

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- Collecting payment by card or by Direct Debit and acting as agents of the insurer in collecting premiums and handling refunds.
- Carrying out requests to adjust your policy, including changes to your personal circumstances (we'll notify the insurer and deal with any associated administration)
- Cancelling your policy, including upon request from the insurer (we've detailed your cancellation rights below)
- Administering buildings and contents claims

AUTOMATIC RENEWAL

We will securely store your payment details (including Direct Debit, credit card or debit card) to enable ongoing payment and to permit automatic renewal of your policy. We will write to you each year before we take payment to remind you this is happening. Once your policy is set up you can opt out of automatic renewal at any time by contacting us on 0330 660 1000 or via https://customer.homeprotect.co.uk/documents.

OUR FEES

| Action | Fee Applied |
|---|-------------|
| Arrangement & Administration fee to set up or renew a policy (included | £50 |
| in your total quoted price, not an additional fee). Non-refundable if the | |
| policy is cancelled outside the cooling-off period. | |
| Policy amendment outside of the cooling off period | £25 |
| Late, missed or failed Direct Debit payment fee | £20 |

In your first policy year the 'cooling off' period is 14 days after receipt of the policy documents or the policy purchase date, whichever is later. In subsequent years it is 14 days from the policy renewal date.

HOW TO PAY

When you take out a policy via Homeprotect, you'll need to authorise us to use your credit or debit card to pay the total balance (including any premiums, fees or taxes). If you're paying in monthly instalments, we'll use the card to take a deposit.

If you cancel your policy or <u>D</u>irect Debit and there are outstanding premiums or charges, we'll let you know that we'll collect this balance from your card.

HOW TO COMPLAIN

If you're unhappy with your policy or our services, we'd like to put it right. You can contact our Customer Relations team by:

- writing to us at Homeprotect, C I Tower, St. George's Square, New Malden, KT3 4HG
- emailing us at <u>complaints@homeprotect.co.uk</u>
- calling us on 0330 660 1000

We'll do our very best to resolve your complaint. But if we can't resolve it to your satisfaction, you can escalate it to the Financial Ombudsman Service. If you'd like to write to the Financial Ombudsman Service, their address is: Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR. Their website is https://www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk.

YOUR CANCELLATION RIGHTS

Statutory cancellation rights

You have the right to cancel your policy within the first 14 days (the "cooling-off" period):

- **First Policy Year**: The cooling-off period begins 14 days after you receive your policy documents or from the policy purchase date whichever is later.
- Renewal Years: The cooling-off period begins 14 days from your policy renewal date.

We will provide a full refund if no claims have been made, and your policy will be cancelled as if it never existed.

Cancellation in other circumstances

You can cancel your policy at any time during the current Period of Insurance if:

- You have not received payment for a claim.
- You are not in the process of making a claim.
- You have **not suffered a loss** for which you intend to make a claim.

If these conditions are met, we will keep a proportionate amount of the premium for the time covered and refund the remaining balance, apart from:

- The cost of additional options added to your policy (e.g. legal expenses, home emergency, key protection).
- The £50 Arrangement and Administration fee (detailed below).

There is no separate cancellation fee for ending your policy.

If you're paying by instalments, your payments will stop. However.

 If you have made or are making a claim, you must either continue paying instalments until your renewal date, or we may take the outstanding balance from your claim payout.

If you've paid annually and made or are making a claim, you won't receive a refund.

OUR CANCELLATION RIGHTS

We'll always try to resolve any issues with you first. However, we may cancel or void your policy if we identify an error in the cover provided or the price charged, meaning the policy was issued incorrectly, or if you, or your authorised representative:

- Fail to report a change of circumstances or make a change that makes you ineligible for the policy.
- Fail to take reasonable care of your property.
- Do not pay your premium.
- Provide false or incomplete information during your application, renewal, or when making changes to the policy.
- Attempt to make a fraudulent claim.

UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

We expect all customers to treat our team and suppliers with respect. If you (or anyone acting for you) behave in a threatening, abusive or aggressive way, it may affect how we manage your policy or your claim.

This includes how you speak to us in person or over the phone, as well as anything sent in writing — including emails, texts, online chat, letters or social media.

We won't accept:

- Threats of violence
- Bullying, harassment or intimidation
- Language or behaviour that is aggressive, abusive or likely to cause distress
- Discriminatory or offensive comments (e.g. based on sex, race, religion or culture)
- Repeated swearing or use of abusive language

If this happens, we may:

- End or refuse phone calls, chats or messages (we'll give a warning first)
- Limit your contact to a single method such as post or email only
- Require you to nominate a proxy to act on your behalf. We'll then only communicate with that person about any open claim.
- Ask one person in our team to act as your sole point of contact
- Choose to settle your claim in cash, rather than manage repairs or replacements
- Refuse to offer renewal when your policy ends
- Cancel your policy with 7 days' notice

DATA PROTECTION

We use your personal information to manage insurance policies, handle claims and to provide our services to you. We only use your personal information where it is necessary to do so. For example, we may use your information to fulfil our contractual obligations, comply with our legal obligations, or where it is necessary for our legitimate interests. Where we use your personal information, we'll do so in accordance with applicable Data Protection legislation.

We may share your personal information with third party service providers and agents. If we need to share your personal information outside the European Economic Area, we take steps to ensure that equivalent protections are in place.

To find out more information on how we use your personal information, please refer to the Homeprotect Privacy Policy at https://www.homeprotect.co.uk/security-privacy.

You can find more details about how we use your personal information on the Information Commissioner's Office register. Our registration number is: Z7831579.

THE FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME (FSCS)

If we can't meet our obligations, you may be entitled to compensation under the FSCS scheme. The level of compensation would depend on the contract we have with you. Most insurance contracts are covered for 90% of claims, with no upper limit. The FSCS is based at 15 St Botolph St, London EC3A 7QU. Their website is https://www.fscs.org.uk.

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS LIST

We will not provide cover, pay any claim or provide any benefit if doing so would expose us to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.