

# Welcome to SilverKnight Repair, your Emergency Property Assistance Provider when you need us

Some appliance manufacturers recommend regular or annual servicing of the equipment, particularly central heating boilers. As this is an emergency breakdown policy and not a maintenance policy, we will not pay claims where the equipment you are claiming for has not been serviced in accordance with manufacturers' recommendations or for boilers that have not been serviced within the previous 12 months. If your boiler has not been serviced within the last 12 months, you must arrange for a service to be completed before cover will apply.

## HOW TO MAKE A CLAIM

#### Firstly you should telephone us on 01904 238278

and quote SKRP160503/247 together with your name, address and insurance agent details.

This insurance is not a maintenance contract and the cost of repairing damage due to gradual deterioration is not covered. If **Your** claim is covered under this policy, the **Coverholder** will appoint an approved contractor to attend **Your** property to repair the reported fault subject to the **Limit of Cover**. If the repair is likely to exceed the sum stated in the **Limit of Cover We** will only be liable to pay up to that amount. **You** must pay any amount which exceeds this sum.

It is important that **You** read **Your** policy carefully so that **You** know the details of the cover **You** have chosen. **We** would like **You** to understand and be satisfied with **Your** policy.

## YOUR INSURANCE POLICY

This is a legally-binding contract of insurance between **You** (the **Insured Person**) and **Us** (the Insurer). This contract does not give rights to anyone else. No-one else has the right to enforce any part of this contract. **We** reserve the right to cancel or change any part of this contract without getting anyone else's permission by giving fourteen days' notice to the Insured. This policy only covers **You** if **You** have paid **Your** premium. **We** agree to provide the insurance in this policy, keeping to the terms, conditions and exclusions contained in this document.

#### **MEANING OF WORDS**

- 1. **AGENT** means the intermediary to whom **You** paid the premium
- 2. APPOINTED CONTRACTOR means the person appointed by Us to carry out the repairs
- 3. **COVERHOLDER** means Composite Legal Expenses Limited trading as General Legal Protection who administers this insurance and handles claims under this insurance on **Our** behalf
- 4. EMERGENCY REPAIR(S) means the work required to be undertaken by **Our Appointed Contractor** to resolve the **Home Emergency** by completing a temporary repair which will resolve the emergency but may need to be supplemented by a permanent repair
- 5. FAILURE OR BREAKDOWN means a mechanical or electrical fault which stops the Primary Heating System from working
- 6. HOME means Your normal residence in the Territorial Limits
- 7. HOME EMERGENCY means a sudden unexpected event described in Section 1 occurring during the Period of Insurance involving Your Home which, in Our opinion, exposes the Insured Person to a risk to their health, or necessitates immediate remedial action to render the Home safe or secure, and avoid damage or further damage, or restoration of the Main Services and which results in an Emergency Repair
- 8. INSURED PERSON means You together with the members of Your household normally residing with You
- LIMIT OF COVER means: Under Section 1A - £1000 each Home Emergency including parts, labour, VAT and call out fee Under Section 1B - £250 each Home Emergency
- 10. MAIN SERVICES means mains drainage within the boundaries of the Home, water, electricity and gas within the Home and the Primary Heating System or hot water where no alternative exists
- 11. **PERIOD OF INSURANCE** means the period corresponding with **Your** underlying certificate or policy of the **Home** buildings and/or contents insurance, not exceeding twelve months
- 12. PEST(S) means wasps' and/or hornets' nests, rats, mice
- 13. PRIMARY HEATING SYSTEM means the principal central heating and hot water system in the Home including the boiler or warm air unit, programmer, room thermostat, pumps, water tanks including hot water cylinders, and radiators but excluding any form of solar heating system and any non-domestic central heating boiler or source of heat

- 14. TERRITORIAL LIMITS means The United Kingdom, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands
- 15. YOU, YOUR means the person who has taken out this policy
- 16. WE, OUR, US means AmTrust Europe Limited, the insurer of this policy

# WHAT YOU ARE COVERED FOR

SECTION 1 - HOME EMERGENCIES

A. In the event of a **Home Emergency** the costs up to the **Limit of Cover** for an **Appointed Contractor** to carry out **Emergency Repairs** to **Your Home** in the event of: -

• Burst pipes or sudden leakage likely to cause damage to the Home or its contents

• Failure of **Your** domestic water mains supply or electricity supply (on the domestic side of the supply authority's main fuse) or gas supply (on the domestic side of the supply authority's valve/junction) where there is blockage or breaking or flooding of drains or sewers, or failure of **Your** domestic hot water heating

• Total Failure or Breakdown of Your Primary Heating System

• Inoperable toilet where breakage of the internal mechanism within the cistern prevents flushing and creates an emergency as there is no other toilet in the **Home** 

• The **Home** being made insecure due to the **Home**'s external locks, doors or windows failing completely or being damaged including the loss of the only available key to the **Home** and **You** cannot replace it or **You** are unable to gain access

• The roofing, downpiping or guttering failing and further water damage

• An infestation of **Pest(s)** 

B. In the event of the **Home** becoming uninhabitable as a direct result of a **Home Emergency**, and remaining so overnight, **We** will, at **Our** discretion, arrange and pay up to £250 including VAT for the cost of **Your** alternative overnight accommodation

## WHAT YOU ARE NOT COVERED FOR

1) Any normal day-to-day maintenance or any matter under Section 1 that is not a Home Emergency

2) Any claim under Section 1 under which occurred prior to the purchase of this policy or outside the **Period of Insurance** 

3) Any claim under Section 1 reported within 28 days of the start of the First Period of Insurance

4) Any costs incurred before We agree to accept Your claim

5) Any costs over and above the Limit of Cover. You must pay any amount which exceeds the relevant sum

6) Any repair costs not carried out by Our Appointed Contractor

7) More than 3 claims in any Period of Insurance

8) Any safety checks and routine maintenance, cleaning and servicing

9) The costs covered by any manufacturer's, supplier's or repairer's guarantee or warranty

10) Any claims arising from **Your** failure to follow the manufacturer's instructions including improper installation

11) Any theft, attempted theft, malicious damage or damage caused by fire or explosion

12) Any claims arising from the failure of any services where the problem is situated outside the boundary of the plot of land on which **Your Home** is situated or beyond the part of either the sole or shared supply system or piping for which **You** are legally responsible

13) Any claim for the cost of effecting permanent repairs once the immediate emergency situation has been resolved including any redecoration or making good the fabric of the **Home** 

14) Any damage incurred in gaining necessary access

15) Any claim for the breakdown of or loss of or damage to Saniflow toilets or other small-bore macerator pumping systems

16) Any claim in connection with the **Primary Heating System** or warm air unit or hot water where there are air locks in the central heating piping or where there is a failure of zone or changeover valves or energy management systems

17) Any boiler or warm air unit aged more than 10 years

18) The re-lighting of central heating boilers or the incorrect operation or routine adjustments of time or temperature controls

19) Any radiator valves

20) Any fuel lines including gas leaks

21) Any hot water cylinders that hold more than 40 gallons or 182 litres

22) Any unvented pressurised cylinders

23) Any water pressure adjustments or failure caused through hard water scale or sludge

24) Any claim involving a boiler or warm air unit with an output exceeding 170,000 BTU's capacity

25) Any breakdown and/or failure of Economy 7 storage heaters

26) Any replacement of any boiler, warm air unit or water tanks if repair or reinstatement is not possible due to the unavailability of parts or if deemed irreparable or beyond economical repair.

27) Any costs arising as a result of failure to service the boiler or warm air unit annually or in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Any recommendations following servicing should be carried out and the costs will be **Your** responsibility

28) The cost of overnight accommodation exceeding one night

29) Any breakage of internal glass or of any basin, bath, bidet or shower base

## **General Exclusions**

1) Any intermittent or reoccurring fault

- 2) Any dispute arising from or involving:
  - a) lonising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from an irradiated nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel

b) The radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof

c) Riot, civil commotion, war, invasion, acts of foreign enemy, hostilities, (whether war is declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or usurped power or confiscation or nationalisation or requisition of or damage to property by or under the order of any government

3) Any fraudulent claim or deliberate or criminal act

4) Any matter in respect of which the **Insured Person** is, or would but for the existence of this policy be entitled to indemnity under any other policy or certificate of insurance.

## CONDITIONS

1) You will keep to the terms and conditions of this policy.

- 2) At **Our** discretion, **We** may
  - a) Offer **You** the opportunity to nominate the contractor **You** wish to be appointed. **We** may accept **Your** nomination, and **We** will instruct the contractor under the terms of this policy;
  - b) With **Your** consent authorise an **Appointed Contractor** for **You** to pay that contractor direct and for **You** to submit the receipted invoice to **Us** for reimbursement;
  - c) Take over, conduct, defend or settle any claim and take proceedings, at **Our** own expense and for **Our** own benefit to recover any payment **We** have made under this policy. **We** will take this action in the **Insured Person**'s name or in the name of anyone else covered by this insurance. The **Insured Person** or the person whose name **We** use must co- operate with **Us** on any matter which affects this policy.
  - d) Agree to a permanent repair being carried out under Section 1 HOME EMERGENCIES only if it can be undertaken on the first visit and would cost no more than a temporary repair. This condition will not apply to a **Primary Heating System** where the part is not available at the point of call out.
  - e) Instruct an **Appointed Contractor** to determine whether **You** have a valid claim. If there is no **Failure or Breakdown** covered by this policy, **You** will be liable for any call out fee incurred.

3) You should carry out or arrange for normal continuous maintenance of Your Home and on the systems servicing the Home and You must take all reasonable steps to avoid or minimize any claim. All boilers must be serviced annually and a copy of the service documentation will be required for **Our** records

## 4) You will co-operate with the Appointed Contractor

6) **You** will ensure that the **Primary Heating System** is serviced annually and the internal electricity system is serviced every 10 years, and when requested **You** will provide proof that these service requirements have been met.

7) Unless We have agreed otherwise with You, English law will apply to this insurance.

## CANCELLATION

This policy has a cooling off period of 14 days from the time **You** receive this information. If **You** do not wish to continue with this insurance, the policy will be regarded as not taken up and cancelled from inception, and **You** will be refunded any monies paid to **Us** in respect of premium provided no claims have been made.

If the policy is cancelled after the cooling off period any return premium due to **You** will depend on how long this insurance has been in force to be agreed by **You** and **Us** at the time of cancellation, and whether **You** have made a claim.

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## COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

We always aim to provide a first class service. However, if You have any complaint, please notify the Coverholder at: Complaints Department, General Legal Protection, Kings House, King Street, York, YO1 9WP. Tel: 01904 683300, Fax: 01904 656950.

The **Coverholder** will contact **You** within five days of receiving your complaint to inform **You** of what action is being taken. The **Coverholder** will try to resolve the problem and give **You** an answer within four weeks. If it will take longer than four weeks the **Coverholder** will tell **You** when **You** can expect an answer.

If **Your** complaint remains unresolved after eight weeks, **You** may request that the Financial Ombudsman Service review the case provided that the complaint falls within its jurisdiction. They are able to review complaints from "eligible complainants" and further information can be found on their website. The address is: Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR Telephone number 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9 123. Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

**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. This depends upon the type of business and circumstances of the claim. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS at: Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU Tel: 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100

If You take any of the action mentioned above it will not affect Your right to take legal action

#### PRIVACY AND DATA PROTECTION NOTICE

## Data Protection

Composite Legal Expenses Limited (the **Data Controller**) are committed to protecting and respecting **Your** privacy in accordance with the current **Data Protection Legislation** ("Legislation"). Below is a summary of the main ways in which **We** process **Your** personal data, for more information please visit **Our** website at <u>www.glpgroup.co.uk</u>

#### How We Use Your Personal Data and Who We Share It With

We may use the personal data We hold about You for the purposes of providing insurance, handling claims and any other related purposes (this may include underwriting decisions made via automated means), for offering renewal, research or statistical purposes and to provide You with information, products or services that You request from Us or which We feel may interest You. We will also use Your data to safeguard against fraud and money laundering and to meet Our general legal or regulatory obligations.

#### Sensitive Personal Data

Some of the personal information, such as information relating to health or criminal convictions, may be required by **Us** for the specific purposes of underwriting or as part of the claims handling process. The provision of such data is conditional for **Us** to be able to provide insurance or manage a claim. Such data will only be used for the specific purposes set out in **Our** notice.

#### Disclosure of Your Personal Data

We may disclose Your personal data to third parties involved in providing products or services to Us, or to service providers who perform services on **Our** behalf. These include **Our** group companies, affinity partners, brokers, agents, third party administrators, reinsurers, other insurance intermediaries, insurance reference bureaus, credit agencies, medical service providers, fraud detection agencies, loss adjusters, external law firms, external auditors and accountants, regulatory authorities, and as may be required by law.

#### International Transfers of Data

We may transfer Your personal data to destinations outside the European Economic Area ("EEA"). Where We transfer Your personal data outside of the EEA, We will ensure that it is treated securely and in accordance with the Legislation.

#### Your rights

You have the right to ask Us not to process Your data for marketing purposes, to see a copy of the personal information We hold about You, to have Your data deleted (subject to certain exemptions), to have any inaccurate or misleading data corrected or deleted, to ask Us to provide a copy of Your data to any controller and to lodge a complaint with the local data protection authority.

## Retention

Your data will not be retained for longer than is necessary, and will be managed in accordance with **Our** data retention policy. In most cases the retention period will be for a period of seven (7) years following the expiry of the insurance contract, or **Our** business relationship with **You**, unless **We** are required to retain the data for a longer period due to business, legal or regulatory requirements.

If **You** have any questions concerning **Our** use of **Your** personal data, please contact The Data Protection Officer, Composite Legal Expenses - please see website for full address details.

## Marketing

We will not use Your data for Marketing purposes. All information provided is used to manage Your insurance policy only.

#### **Fraudulent Claims**

1) If the **Insured Person** makes a fraudulent claim under this insurance contract, **We**:

- a) Are not liable to pay the claim; and
- b) May recover from the Insured Person any sums paid by
- Us to the Insured Person in respect of the claim; and
- c) May by notice to the Insured Person treat the contract

as having been terminated with effect from the time of the fraudulent act.

2) If We exercise Our right under clause (1)(c) above:

a) We will not be liable to the Insured Person in respect

of a relevant event occurring after the time of the fraudulent act. A relevant event is whatever gives rise to the **Our** liability under the insurance contract (such as the occurrence of a loss, the making of a claim, or the notification of a potential claim); and,

b) We need not return any of the premiums paid.

#### **Conditions Precedents**

If the **Insured Person** breaches a condition precedent in this insurance contract, **Our** liability under the contract shall be suspended from the time of the breach until the time when the breach is remedied (if it is capable of being remedied). **We** will have no liability to the **Insured Person** for any loss which occurs, or which is attributable to something happening, during the period when **Our** liability is suspended.

# AmTrust Europe Limited underwrite these policies that Composite Legal Expenses Limited trading as General Legal Protection administer on their behalf

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